

Subject:	Request to present: Project Hope and the Transport Hub Alternatives Group
Date:	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
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Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes X No

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To ask the committee to consider a request to present from 'Project Hope' and the 'Transport Hub Alternatives Group' on the subject of the new Transport Hub and wider Weavers Cross development.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	<ul> <li>The Committee is asked to;</li> <li>Agree to receive a presentation from Project Hope and the Transport Hub Alternatives Group at the May or June committee.</li> </ul>

3.0	Main report
3.1	<ul> <li>In December 2017 the committee received a request to present from Translink in order to update members on the proposals and programme for the Transport Hub and wider Weavers Cross development. This was approved and subsequently members received a presentation from Chris Conway, Chief Executive of Translink, in January outlining a number of elements of the project, including: <ul> <li>The programme and timescales for the delivery of Transport Hub and the outline application for the wider development;</li> <li>How Translink would engage and consult with local communities;</li> <li>The potential social and economic benefits of the scheme;</li> <li>Ways in which heritage and art would be incorporated into the new Transport Hub;</li> <li>How Translink was working with the Council and other partners to bring forward the development of the wider Weavers Cross scheme.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
3.2	At that December meeting members were also advised that requests to present to the Committee had also been received from Project Hope and the Transport Hub Alternatives Group. After discussion, the Committee agreed that it would first hear from Translink in January and then consider whether it wished to hear from other interested parties at a future date.
3.3	Project Hope is a group of local stakeholders with representatives from businesses, arts venues, trade associations, community groups and leaders in the area. The Transport Hub Development Group is a support group developed by Blackstaff Community Development Association and Boyne Bridge Defenders consisting of professional people with an interest in the Transport Hub proposals.
3.4	If the committee agrees to receive a presentation from Project Hope and the Transport Hub Alternatives Group, it is envisaged that this would take place in May or June.
3.5	Finance & Resource Implications There are no resource requirements arising from this report.
3.6	Equality or Good Relations implications None.
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached None