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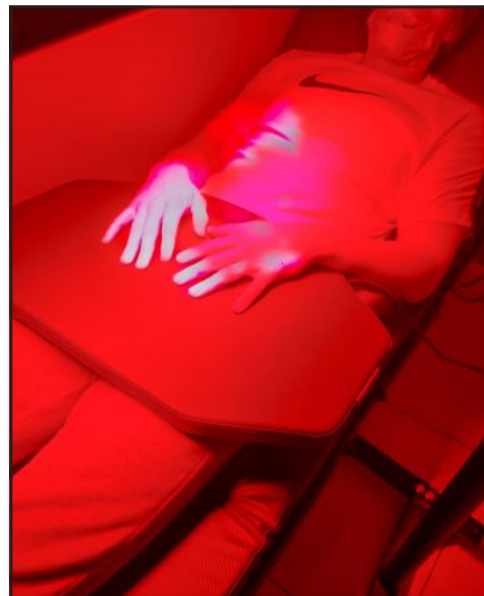
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The site will become more eco-friendly focused with the introduction of solar panels, electric car charging points and methods of reducing waste -reducing S&W's carbon footprint for the future.

Michael continued with, "We are committed to driving our footprint in the local community with plans to build on our 250+ workforce and work alongside local business and organiza-

tions in making a real positive change in the local area and beyond."

Aspects of the new facility are well under way with a local architect firm spearheading the cutting-edge design. "We are really excited about the build and to get Phase 1 underway. With all that has happened over the past few years with the pandemic this is a positive story for all involved with S&W, the local area, employees and their communities as well as our retailers and trade partners as we continue to be one of Ireland's leading grocery wholesalers." We will continue to deliver A Whole Lot More." Michael Skelton, MD.

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Aaron Bradley Marketing Executive and Eamonn Connolly CEO Newry BID launch 'Tap into Newry' High Street Vouchers.

BID investing in the future of Newry

Newry BID- Business Improvement District represents more than 600 businesses and organisations in Newry city centre.

Newry BID's core objectives are Belong, Invest, Deliver. We want to help businesses to Belong in the city centre.

A key driver is to support a sense of community amongst local businesses. We want to Invest. We help to promote and deliver investment in the city centre through keeping the city cleaner, greener and safer; marketing and lobbying. Finally, we want to Deliver. It is Newry BID's objective to deliver a better city centre experience for our members, for the individuals who work in those organisations, and the people who visit our city to live, work or do business.

This is done through offering training, business support, events, and working in partnership with other key stakeholders.

Newry is a great place to live and work. With organisations such as Newry BID and its many partners available to offer business support, there is no better time to think about coming here.

Many of our businesses have current vacancies and opportunities for career progression, particularly in the retail and hospitality sector. We also boast world class companies in the centre of our city centre including First Derivative and STATSports, who offer global career opportunities.

Newry BID is at the heart of shaping this city. Despite the many challenges we all see and face globally and locally, we are optimistic for the future. We are confident that Newry is on a journey of continuous improvement, with an energetic and engaged business community.

We know it offers career opportunities and lifestyle choices envied by many other places. We know that if you come to live and work here you will feel as passionately about its success as we do.

To find out more about setting up a business in Newry city centre or living and working in the area, please contact us at Newry BID admin@newry.com or log onto the BID website www.newry.com .



EAMONN Connolly Newry BID Manager, Jason Foody General Manager Killeavy Castle with Julie Gibbons President Newry Chamber of Commerce & Trade. LB5102



Newry City Awarded the Purple Flag for Excellence in the Evening and Night-Time Economy l-r Martin Patterson, Deputy Chairperson Newry, Mourne and Down District Council, Councillor Oonagh Magennis, Inspector Kelly Gibson and Eamonn Connolly Manager Newry BID.



Best Customer Service Award Winner 'Jack Murphy Jewellers' represented by Gemma Murphy, Sinead Sands and Tara O'Hanlon accept their Award from Sponsor Eamonn Connolly, Newry BID Manager. LIZ BOYLE



High Street spend tops £10.5M in Newry, Mourne and Down



OVER £10.5M was spent in 261,868 transactions made in the Newry, Mourne and Down District in the Spend Local Card Scheme.

Figures released also show that over £2.8M was spent by 68,574 living in the BT34 (Includes Newry and Warrenpoint) postcode area compared with £4.8M by the 111,162 in BT 35 (South armagh Section).

At 27 January 2022:

- 1,399,051 NI residents were issued with a Spend Local card
- 1,393,043 (99.6%) Spend Local cards were activated
- total spend on Spend Local cards was £136.5 million
- total number of transactions was 3,713,609
- average amount spent on activated cards was £97.94
- busiest day of transactions was Sunday 14th November 2021 with 104,477 transactions
- busiest day of spend, not including refunds, was Sunday 14th November 2021 with £4.0 million spent
- number of cards with zero balance remaining was 779,461

Table 1: High Street Scheme pre-paid card expenditure by Standard Industrial Classification in all businesses and in businesses required to close by 2020 Covid-19 Regulations.

Industry category	All Spend		Spend in businesses required to close by 2020 Regulations		Proportion of category spend in businesses required to close by 2020 Regulations
	£	%	£	%	
A Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	157,751	0%			
B Mining and quarrying					
C Manufacturing	162,644	0%	63,925	0%	39%
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	182,542	0%			
E Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	404	0%			
F Construction	263,097	0%	69,618	0%	26%
G Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	118,045,603	87%	67,748,020	80%	57%
H Transportation and storage	252,913	0%	104,413	0%	41%
I Accommodation and food service activities	10,201,406	8%	10,201,406	12%	100%
J Information and communication	120,109	0%	89,087	0%	74%
K Financial and insurance activities	3,872	0%	3,872	0%	100%
L Real estate activities					
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	1,414,180	1%	1,095,044	1%	77%
N Administrative and support service activities	411,022	0%	405,668	1%	99%
O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security					
P Education	99,169	0%	38,266	0%	39%
Q Human health and social work activities	703,725	1%	624,422	1%	89%
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	563,653	0%	563,653	1%	100%
S Other service activities	3,920,064	3%	3,903,110	5%	100%
T Activities of households as employers, undifferentiated goods & services					
U Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies					
Total	136,502,155	100%	84,910,504	100%	62%

Table 1: Transactions by Local Government District

Local Government District	Number of transactions	Percentage of all transactions
Belfast	869,934	23.4
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	325,537	8.8
Antrim and Newtownabbey	302,346	8.1
Ards and North Down	296,202	8.0
Lisburn and Castlereagh	278,393	7.5
Derry City and Strabane	272,249	7.3
Newry, Mourne and Down	261,868	7.1
Mid and East Antrim	241,206	6.5
Causeway Coast and Glens	224,388	6.0
Mid Ulster	190,975	5.1
Fermanagh and Omagh	179,243	4.8
Unknown*	271,268	7.3
Northern Ireland	3,713,609	100

* 271,268 (7.3%) transaction locations do not have a corresponding postcode in the postcode directory.

Table 2: Spend by Local Government District

Local Government District	Spend (£)	Percentage of total spend
Belfast	27,623,647	20.2
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	12,736,406	9.3
Newry, Mourne and Down	10,607,892	7.8
Antrim and Newtownabbey	10,374,516	7.6
Lisburn and Castlereagh	10,301,486	7.5
Ards and North Down	10,261,342	7.5
Derry City and Strabane	10,238,031	7.5
Mid and East Antrim	9,312,169	6.8
Causeway Coast and Glens	8,938,166	6.5
Mid Ulster	8,120,166	5.9
Fermanagh and Omagh	7,524,086	5.5
Unknown*	10,464,248	7.7
Northern Ireland	136,502,155	100

* The transaction locations of £10,464,248 (7.7%) spend do not have a corresponding postcode in the postcode directory.

Scheme to support people

In early 2020, Northern Ireland (NI) experienced its first wave of Coronavirus (COVID-19), leading to unexpected changes to peoples' lives, lifestyles and behaviours.

The NI Executive introduced a range of schemes and initiatives to support local people and businesses due to the negative impacts of the Coronavirus pandemic. One such scheme was the NI High Street Scheme, implemented by DfE, with the aim of stimulating economic recovery by providing businesses with a financial boost.

The Scheme was launched on 27 September 2021 and invited each eligible person aged 18 or over in NI to apply for a Spend Local £100 prepaid card to spend in local businesses over a short period.

The Spend Local prepaid card was to be used to purchase goods and services from any business located throughout NI that accepts card payments.

The cards could be used for multiple transactions, limited to a maximum spend of £100, however could not be used for online purchases, withdrawing money, gambling, legal or financial payments.

£10.5 million spent through High Street Voucher Scheme “not a bad result for an area of our size.” - Cathal Austin

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CATHAL AUSTIN has expressed his appreciation for the £10.5 million that the Spend Local Voucher Scheme injected into Newry's high street economy claiming that such a result is “not a bad for an area of our size.”

Mr Austin, who is the manager of the Quays Shopping centre, made the comment following the publication of statistics revealing that over £10.5 million was spent in 261,868 transactions throughout the Newry, Mourne and Down District council area during the period that the Voucher Scheme was active

Mr Austin states that while he “doesn't know enough regarding the statistics relating to the spend” generated by the Spend Local Voucher Scheme to provide a “definitive answer on how successful the scheme was in the area”, he does “applaud the scheme for its intentions.”

“Newry Mourne and Down was in and around 7 or 8 percent of the total spend amount that was put into the Spend Local Voucher Scheme. This is probably not a bad result for an area of our size. While I don't know enough regarding the statistics concerning the spend of the Spend Local Voucher Scheme in Newry, Mourne and Down to provide a definitive answer on it, I do applaud the scheme for its intentions.

“If you speak to retailers around Newry, very few of them would tell you that the spend local voucher scheme was a bad thing, a lot of them had good experiences with it. I applaud the Executive for taking the initiative and trying to do something. It was laudable and I think the Spend Local Voucher scheme had a good result across the board whoever you speak to.”

Whilst expressing his gratitude for the help that the Spend Local Voucher scheme provided to high street retail throughout the local area following the Covid 19 lockdown, Mr Austin was keen to reiterate the fact that the Spend Local Scheme was “only a start insofar as it got people back out into physical retail following the Covid lockdown.”

“The spend local voucher scheme was laudable, but it was only a start insofar as it got people back out into physical retail following the Covid-19 lockdown.

“People are still stretched in the local consumer

“HSV scheme has played its part in the renaissance of the high street”

Peter Murray, manager of the Buttercrane shopping centre, also praised the £100.00 Spend Local Voucher Scheme, saying that thanks to the implementation of the scheme there has been a “renaissance of the high street” in Newry.

“Overall the scheme was of great benefit to the high street in November and early December, boosting the spend in retail and hospitality particularly, something that was very badly needed after the most challenging of eighteen months.

“The voucher helped create a buzz and a bit of confidence on high streets and in town and city centres which was most welcome. Customers benefitted from retail led discounts and offers linked to the scheme by individual stores so customers, in these circumstances, availed of the offer and thus tended to add something over and above the £100 given they were getting excellent value for money.

“Undoubtedly, the scheme was expensive to

market. Prices are going up and consumer confidence is not great. Whilst the voucher was laudable and I applaud it as it was a good start, there is much more that needs to be done to make sure that the high street is secured into the future. This will require work from the Executive and will require some thought on the behalf of ourselves as well.

Mr Austin cites the ongoing conflict in the Ukraine as a specific example of an issue that could cause problems for the high street economy in a post Covid-19 landscape.

“The situation that we now find ourselves in is still challenging. We have come out of Covid-19 and now we are facing a war in Ukraine and all the pressures that this is putting on the cost of oil and gas and then this feeds into the supply chain as well because you need Oil and Gas to transport goods. We also still have Brexit hanging in the background although the protocol is insulating us from the worst effects of Brexit.

“To be fair to the Executive there was no way they could have foreseen Putin invading Ukraine because American intelligence only picked it up a couple of weeks before he actually invaded. It is just unfortunate that any sort of uplift that was driven by the Spend Local Voucher Scheme has been impacted by the circumstances beyond the control of anyone in Northern Ireland that have created the crisis we now find ourselves in.

“The High Street Voucher Scheme helped out people who were facing rising prices that were going up because of Covid-19 and Brexit. The war in the Ukraine has just added to this. It was helping out families as well. I am not an expert on social policy so I don't know what would be the best way to get money out to families that are feeling the pinch at this moment, but looking at it from a business point of view we need to improve consumer confidence. This is going to be a medium-term goal as it is not something that can be achieved in the short-term.

“Having said that we have been here before. I am old enough to remember the Oil crisis of the 1970's and everything that came out of that. Hopefully the situation in the Ukraine will be resolved in the short-term as opposed to becoming a more long-term problem.”

Mr Austin concluded by making an appeal to the political parties of Northern Ireland to “get the Executive up and running, irrespective of how it is they feel about each other” otherwise in Mr Austins own words. “we are just going to

spiral from one financial crisis to another and there won't be anyone there to do anything about it.”

“Before the cost-of-living crisis, we were in lockdown and people had been driven to shopping online so the spend local voucher was aimed at getting people back out into the high street again. It worked in the short-term but like I said there is more that needs to be done.

“There is the High Street Task Force that the Executive has formed to look into reinvigorating the high street and we haven't really seen much action from them. They haven't actually got out onto the ground and spoken to landlords and retailers and all the interested parties around the various towns in Northern Ireland. This group

needs to get working and you need a functioning Executive to enable this.

“It is incumbent upon a lot of the political parties irrespective of how it is they feel about each other to get the Executive up and running and working otherwise we are just going to spiral from one financial crisis to another and there won't be anyone there to do anything about it.

“We need our politicians to front up and form the Executive and get down to the work to try and sort the economy out here. It is people on lower incomes that are suffering the most at this minute at time. Differences need to be set aside and the Executive needs to be formed.”



Cathal Austin, Manager of the Quays Shopping Centre Newry



Newry Chamber goes from strength to strength

Newry Chamber is the largest business-to-business organisation in the Greater Newry Area, representing in excess of 300 local businesses of varying sizes from all sectors of the business community.

We are the voice for of local business in the Greater Newry Area, promoting the area as a smart place to work, live, study, visit and invest.

Through the use of revenue generation programmes, we provide our members with business support programmes to help them drive their business growth.

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and political leaders.

Contribute to Lobbying as a strong unified voice in promoting and focusing on the needs of local business at a local, regional and national level.

Sponsorship Opportunities at Newry Chamber events for increased PR and marketing presence.

As a member of the local business community, you should be involved in an organisation that enables you to access the following services:

Events & Networking

Lobbying & Representation
Business Information Seminars & Workshops

Marketing & Promotional Initiatives

Business Referrals

Events & Networking

Networking is an essential aspect of business and Newry Chamber events enables its members to meet in a relaxed and informal environment. These events provide members with the opportunity to establish new contacts, build up and strengthen existing relationships as well as being kept abreast of the latest initiatives that could both benefit

and affect their business.

These events include:

- Annual Golf Classic
 - Brexit – The Future For Border Businesses Conference
 - Greater Newry Area Business Awards
 - Greater Newry Area Employee Awards
 - NI Small Business Conference
 - Business Breakfasts/Lunches with High Profile Guest Speakers
- These high profile guest speakers have included:

- Minister of State for European Affairs, Helen McEntee TD
- Tánaiste and Minister of Foreign Affairs & Trade, Simon Coveney TD
- Former First Minister of Northern Ireland, Mr. Peter Robinson
- Former First Minister of Northern Ireland, Dr. Ian Paisley
- Former Deputy First Minister Mr. Martin McGuinness
- Former Taoiseach, Mr. Bertie Ahern

Former President of Ireland, Mrs. Mary McAleese

Former Governor of the Bank of England, Mr. Mervyn King

Membership of Newry Chamber of Commerce & Trade means that you are part of the largest pro-active business support organisation in the Greater Newry Area. Lobbying & Representation are important aspects of your membership. Newry Chamber lobbies locally, regionally and nationally with the Government and other authorities on issues that are of concern to its members and that of the local business community. Member's viewpoints are sought and expressed and we ensure that your opinions and demands are recognised.

Newry Chamber has been the lead agent in the Greater Vision strategy for the Greater Newry Area. The Greater Vision is a unique ambitious integrated visionary blueprint which represents the interests of the wider population who rely on the Greater Newry Area for social, economic and cultural development. This vision's objective is to attract visitors and investors to the region.



JULIE Gibbons President Newry Chamber of Commerce & Trade with Jason Foody General Manager Killeavy Castle and Feargal McCormack Managing Director PKF - FPM Accountants at their Corporate Patrons Breakfast event in Killeavy Castle. LB5101



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