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Ballymoney Borough Council

Health & Environmental Services Committee Meeting No 336 – 22ND January 2008

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BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of Health & Environmental Services Committee Meeting No 336 held in the Council Chamber, Riada House, Ballymoney on Tuesday 22nd January 2008 at 6.30 pm.

IN THE CHAIR Councillor Robinson

PRESENT Aldermen

F Campbell H Connolly C Cousley

CouncillorsJ Finlay

M McCamphill

M McCamphil A Patterson I Stevenson

APOLOGIES R Wilson

IN ATTENDANCE Chief Executive

Director of Borough Services

Deputy Director of Borough Services

Alderman Simpson Committee Clerk

Mr Donal Doyle, RPS, Consulting Engineers

336.1 PRESENTATION-CROSSTAGHERTY LANDFILL SITE CLOSURE/CONDITIONING PLAN

* Alderman Cousley left the meeting at 6.35pm

Alderman Simpson requested copies of the presentation. The Director of Borough Services advised this would be made available with the minutes of the meeting (see Appendix 1).

An Executive Summary of the site closure/conditioning plan is reproduced as Appendix 2.

Alderman Campbell stated that it was his understanding that work had been undertaken at the site to line the facility and to provide drainage and gas boreholes. The Director of Borough Services advised that in his time with the Council no work had been undertaken to line the site and explained that work had been carried out to take round the perimeter of the facility in a sealed drain ground water which arose, from the west of the site, from the Garryduff Road and made its way to the Ballymoney River. Alderman Connolly indicated that he remembered this work being

undertaken. The Director undertook to further investigate Alderman Campbell's recollection.

* Alderman Cousley joined the meeting at 6.38pm

Following Mr Doyle's presentation, he responded to a number of issues raised as follows -

ISSUES RAISED	COMMENTS
Why is there a need to spend £25,000 on site monitoring?	To date very little monitoring has been undertaken and there is need for additional data to assist the process of detailed design for closure.
What is the present budget for the maintenance etc of the closed site?	The budget is £1,500. [Director of Borough Services]
Council in 2003 had been advised that is was better to close the facility rather than keep it open – why such an increase in the cost of closure?	The comparative figures would still be valid, as one had increased so too the other. The cost increase can be explained by the fact that certain assumptions are better developed as more work has been undertaken, landfills are complex and site specific, inflationary increases, current tender information.
What landfills were used to provide cost information?	Information from work undertaken at a range of landfills both in Northern Ireland and Donegal has been used.
Ballymena did things differently, keeping its site open two years longer. What would be the difference in the cost of closure design?	The comparative difference remains similar in scale, between £750,000 and £1,000,000. EHS advice in 2003 was that if closed would not have to comply with EU Landfill Directive standards and these standards entailed additional costs.
Why cap the site?	The site worked on the dilute and disperse principle. If the site is properly capped this reduces the amount of surface water going down through the site having a potential polluting effect.
What necessity is there for Council to close the site immediately?	Presently no one is pushing for the immediate closure of the site, but this could change in light of contaiminated land legislation being implemented or indeed EHS may choose to pursue the

	matter.
	matter.
Could the site be closed over a period of time?	That is a decision for Council, the work could be phased but the phasing would relate to the closing of an area of the site. It could not done by doing a layer at a time.
What use can be made of the site following its capping?	The present proposals as for the least cost option, grazing.
Is the biggest cost the cost of capping materials?	Certain rolls of manufactured materials would be used. Soils are a significant part. This material could come from works being undertaken elsewhere but there is a need to have both suitable and consistent material. Also EHS permission would be required in order to bring any materials on to the site for restoration purposes.
Is it the case that consultancy fees are related to cost?	The cost for the production of a site closure/conditioning plan was on a fixed price basis.
What is the current level of contamination?	The level of information for the site is limited to data relating to effluent quality and that is why there would be need to undertake additional monitoring.
Capping would reduce gas production?	It is the case that dry waste produces less methane as it takes longer to degrade.
Who would be responsible if the closure design does not meet the specified standards?	It may be that the responsibly may arise due to design [consultant engineer] or installation [contractor], or indeed the Council.

The Chief Executive responded to members' queries regarding the fact that funding of work to close the site would be by way of revenue expenditure as a loan could not be raised against a non-asset.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the report be sent to the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland for information purposes.

It was proposed by Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Alderman Connolly and **AGREED:**

to recommend that the matter be deferred for one month.

- * Director of Borough Services left the meeting at 7.40pm.
- * Mr Donal Doyle left the meeting at 7.40pm

In response to Alderman Simpson, the Chair advised that the Director of Borough Services could not attend for the remainder of the meeting due to a prior commitment. It had been agreed that the Deputy Director present the remaining Report items.

* Alderman Cousley and Alderman Campbell left the meeting at 7.42pm.

336.2 BUILDING CONTROL RESOURCES

A report was tabled for members information. (Appendix 3)

336.3 MINUTES - MEETING NO 335 - 19TH DECEMBER 2007

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Councillor Stevenson and AGREED:

to recommend that the minutes of Meeting No 335 – 19th December 2007, as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.

Matters arising:

3.1 Warm Homes Scheme – Possible Budget Cuts (335.12)

Councillor Stevenson referred to an announcement that budget cuts may not now be implemented. The Deputy Director of Borough Services referred to a letter from the Minister of Social Development dated 17 January 2008, which gave reassurances of her commitment to alleviate fuel poverty for the elderly, vulnerable and disadvantaged.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

336.4 WATER (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1999: EFFLUENT CONSENT APPLICATION

EHS Water Management Unit has advised that it has received the undernoted application:-

Applicant	Location
Richard Christie	Site 1 – 210m NE of 99 Ballyveeley Road, Loughgiel.

In response to Alderman Simpson, the Deputy Director of Borough Services clarified the need for consent from EHS regarding drainage and Councillor McCamphill's query regarding new tanks.

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor Finlay and AGREED:

to recommend that Council note the application.

PUBLIC HEALTH

336.5 PUBLIC HEALTH (IRELAND) ACT 1878 as amended 9 UNION STREET, BALLYMONEY.

Further to a request from the landlord of the above property for an inspection under the Private Tenancies (NI) Order 2206 the following defects considered to be prejudicial to health were observed.

Internal

- High levels of dampness to living room wall to right hand side of chimney breast
- High levels of dampness to first floor front bedroom wall to right hand side of chimney breast
- High levels of dampness to second floor front bedroom wall to right hand side of chimney breast

IT IS RECOMMENDED that an abatement notice be served on the landlord of the premises under Section 110 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 as amended with a time period of compliance of 90 days in order to remedy the condition thereat as described above.

NB All works included on the above notice will be eligible for grant aid from the Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

It was proposed by Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Councillor Finlay and AGREED:

to recommend that an abatement notice be served on the landlord of the premises under Section 110 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 as amended with a time period of compliance of 90 days in order to remedy the condition thereat as described above.

In answer to a question from Councillor Stevenson, the Deputy Director of Borough Services stated that a Certificate of Fitness is a statutory requirement under the Private Tenancies Order and is requested by Northern Ireland Housing Executive from Landlords where housing benefit is paid to tenants.

Following a request from Councillor Stevenson, the Deputy Director of Borough Services agreed to write to the Chief Environmental Health Officer, DHSSPS to request consideration of an update and consolidation of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 as amended.

LICENSING

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336.6 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1985 - LICENCE APPLICATION (FULL) (RENEWAL)

<u>Premises</u> <u>Applicant</u>

Rafters Snooker Club, Mr. Samuel Trevor Wylie 18 Seymour Street, BALLYMONEY BT53 6JR

Pattons Bar, Mr. Robert Denis Moore 18 Ballycregagh Road, Cloughmills, BALLYMENA BT44 9LB

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Borough Council renew the Indoor Entertainment's Licence as detailed above. In addition to the Borough Council's "Conditions of Licence" adopted on 7th October 1985 the additional conditions detailed on the premise file also apply.

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor McCamphill and AGREED:

to recommend that the Borough Council renew the Indoor Entertainment's Licence as detailed above.

336.7 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1985 - LICENCE APPLICATION (FOURTEEN UNSPECIFIED DAYS) (RENEWAL)

<u>Premises</u>	<u>Applicant</u>
The Robinson Hall, 56 Moyan Road, BALLYMONEY BT53 8NX	Mr. Maurice F. R. Christie
First Ballymoney Presbyterian Church Hall, 65 Meetinghouse Street, BALLYMONEY BT53 6JN	Mr. John Thomas Kennedy
The John Armstrong Hall, Dalriada School, 1-9 St. James's Road, BALLYMONEY BT53 6BL	Mr. David R. Balmer
Allen and Adair Memorial Hall, 233 Castlecatt Road, Dervock, BALLYMONEY BT53 8BP	Mr. Thomas J. Johnston
Molly's,	Mr. Samuel Mullan

24 Main Street, BALLYMONEY BT53 6AL

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Borough Council renew the Indoor Entertainment's Licence as detailed above. In addition to the Borough Council's "Conditions of Licence" adopted on 7th October 1985 the additional conditions detailed on the premise file also apply.

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor Stevenson and AGREED:

to recommend that the Borough Council renew the Indoor Entertainment's Licences as detailed above.

336.8 THE BUSINESS OF TATTOOING, EAR PIERCING AND ELECTROLYSIS – REGISTRATION OF PERSONS AND PREMISES – PART V PROVISIONS

Applicant	<u>Premises</u>
Ms Rolanda Hughes (Electrolysis)	164A Tullaghans Road Dunloy BALLYMENA BT44 9AF

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the above person and premises be registered.

It was proposed by Councillor McCamphill, seconded by Alderman Connolly and AGREED:

to recommend that the above person and premises be registered.

BETTING, GAMING, LOTTERIES AND AMUSEMENTS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1985

336.9 Application has been received from the undernoted Society for registration by the Borough Council (Article 136 of the 1985 Order refers):-

<u>Society</u>	<u>Lottery Promoter</u>	<u>Fee</u>
County Londonderry Horse Breeding Society	Ms. Yvonne Hanna, 74 Glenstall Road, BALLYMONEY BT53 7QN	£17.50
Cloughmills Vintage Club	Mr James McCollum 26 Corkey Road Loughgiel BALLYMENA BT44 9JJ	£17.50
Sam Dunlop Supporters Club	Ms Jean McPherson 13 Wallace Crescent Stranocum BALLYMONEY BT53 8PW	£17.50

Ballinagarvey Independent LOL33	Mr Frank McClure 5 Bannview Park BALLYMONEY BT53 7LL	£17.50
Glebe Rangers Football Club	Mr William D Allen 5 The Crescent Glebeside BALLYMONEY BT53 6ES	£17.50
Ballymoney Volleyball Club	Mr Johnny McClenaghan 8 Donaghbrook Avenue BALLYMONEY BT53 7EQ	£17.50
North Antrim Chosen Few Rangers Supporters Club	Mr Warner Kirkpatrick 2 Landsdale Park BALLYMONEY BT53 7HW	£17.50
Dalriada Preparatory Department PTA	Ms Julie Parkash 5 Heagles Road Ballybogey BALLYMONEY BT53 6NZ	£17.50
Ballymoney Borough Twinning Association	Mr Warner Kirkpatrick 2 Landsdale Park BALLYMONEY BT53 7HW	£17.50
Druckendult & District Community Association	Mr Frank A Campbell 3 Drumdult Park BALLYMONEY BT53 6NG	£17.50
Friends of Armour Day Centre	Mr John Esler 34 Cherry Gardens BALLYMONEY BT53 7AS	£17.50
Compass Advocacy Network Ltd.	Mrs J Schofield 14 Redwood Park COLERAINE BT51 3GH	£17.50
Ballymoney Sub Divisional Welfare Committee	Mrs E Anderson 8 Greenville Avenue BALLYMONEY BT53 7BJ	£17.50

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Borough Council register the above-mentioned Society.

In response to Councillor Finlay, the Deputy Director of Borough Services advised that County Londonderry Horse Breeding Society apply to Ballymoney Borough Council as they are based in the borough.

At the request of Alderman Simpson, the Deputy Director of Borough Services clarified the need for a betting, gaming, lotteries and amusements licence.

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor Finlay and AGREED:

to recommend that the Council register the above-mentioned Societies.

336.10 REVIEW OF MONETARY LIMITS FOR CERTAIN GAMING MACHINE STAKES AND PRIZES AND ASSOCIATED SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ISSUES

DSD has written to Council seeking its views by 29th February 2008 on the undernoted proposals –

As you may be aware, increases in GB limits on gaming machine stakes and prizes came into effect in October 2006. To bring Northern Ireland into line with the relevant GB increases would involve the following changes:

- Increasing the maximum stake from 50p to £1 for jackpot machines in registered clubs (the maximum stake increased from 30p to 50p in February 1999); and
- Increasing the maximum stake from 30p to 50p, and the maximum prize from £25 to £35, for higher prize amusement with prizes (AWP) machines in the following premises:
 - Amusement arcades and similar premises holding an Article 108(1)(ca) amusement permit;
 - Licensed bingo clubs;
 - Licensed bookmaking offices; and
 - > The bar areas of public houses and licensed hotels.

No increases are proposed for the lower prize AWP machines (maximum prize £8).

Social Responsibility Aspects

The introduction of the corresponding increases in GB, earlier than had been anticipated, was subject to gaming machine operators adopting a social responsibility code of conduct aimed at ensuring that:

- All jackpot and higher prize AWP machines would display the GamCare helpline number (GamCare is an independent organization which provides information, advice and practical help on the social impact of gambling);
- All jackpot and higher prize AWP machines would have clear signage forbidding play by under 18s;
- These machines would be supervised to ensure there is no underage play;
- Adherence to the code would be a condition of trade association membership;

 Associations would monitor compliance and take action against any members not implementing the codes.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council note the aforementioned DSD proposals regarding monetary limits for certain gaming machine stakes and prizes and associated social responsibility issues.

In response to Councillor Finlay, the Deputy Director of Borough Services advised that the Directorate of Borough Services is not involved in monitoring of fair rewards.

It was proposed by Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Alderman Connolly and AGREED:

to recommend that Council note the aforementioned DSD proposals regarding monetary limits for certain gaming machine stakes and prizes and associated social responsibility issues.

DOG CONTROL

336.11 DOGS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1983 ARTICLE 13 – REGISTRATION OF DOG BREEDING ESTABLISHMENTS

Application as undernoted has been made to the Borough Council that the premises to which they refer be registered in accordance with the provisions of Article 13 of the Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983 as a dog breeding establishment:-

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Premises</u>
Mrs Sharon Phillips	Woodlands, 128 Knock Road, Ballymoney, BT53 8AA.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Borough Council register the above-mentioned premises accordingly.

It was proposed by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor McCamphill and AGREED:

to recommend that the Council register the above-mentioned premises.

BUILDING CONTROL

336.12 BUILDING CONTROL APPLICATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council note the **Applications**, **Building Notices and Regularisation Certificates** which are in accordance with the requirements of the Building Regulations (NI) 2000.

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Councillor Patterson and AGREED:

to recommend that Council note the Applications, Building Notices and Regularisation Certificates as detailed in Appendix 4.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

336.13 MUNICIPAL WASTE RETURNS

Waste Type	<u>Dec 2007</u>	Year to Date	April- Dec 2007
Mixed Residual Waste (waste to landfill)	870.76t -1.31%	8,506.44t -3.69%	8832.32t
Mixed Dry Recyclables (blue bin recycling)	136.54t +8.02%	1,237.48t +9.47%	1112.00t

The Deputy Director Borough Services provided the April-Dec 2007 statistical information which indicated an decrease in the processing of Mixed Residual waste and an increase in the collection of Mixed Dry Recyclables.

336.14 TENDERS

14.1 Waste Haulage Tender

Tenders have been invited by public advertisement for the haulage of various elements of municipal waste collected by Council for the next financial year (2008-2009). Previously this contract related simply to the transportation of the Councils residual municipal waste (black bin + CA site + bulky waste) from Crosstagherty Waste Handling & Transfer Facility to the Councils designated waste disposal (landfill) site.

The tender specification for 2008-2009 is more complex. The possible haulage of three separate waste streams are to be priced –

- (1) Residual municipal waste to landfill;
- (2) CA + bulky household waste (excluding (1) above) to a waste reprocessor; and
- (3) Brown bin (garden) waste to a waste reprocessor.

The tenders received by the closing date of Monday 21st January at 4.30pm were opened by Director of Borough Services and the Chair of the Health and Environmental Services Committee. A schedule of the tenders received can be found as Appendix 5.

The Deputy Director of Borough Services outlined for members, details of the tenders received.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council engage A. S. Calderwood, t/a Wasteline, of 9 Ballynaloob Road, Dunloy, Ballymena, BT44 9AX, to haul its municipal waste during 2008-2009, in accordance with the Councils Specification and Contract Conditions

It was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor Stevenson and **AGREED**:

to recommend that the matter be deferred to the next meeting of Council to enable the Director of Borough Services to provide the costs for the tendered service 2007-2008 to be provided.

14.2 Static Compactor

Tenders were invited, by public advertisement, for the supply, delivery, unloading and installation of 2 no. static compactors (plus option to purchase 1 no. additional static compactor). The closing date for tenders was 12.00 noon, Friday 18th January 2008. The six tenders received were opened by the Chair of the Council's Health & Environmental Services Committee, together with the Director of Borough Services on Monday 21st January 2008 at 4.30pm. Six tenders were received, however only one was compliant. A schedule of the tenders received can be found as Appendix 6.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Borough Council accept the tender from H.R. Holfeld (Machinery) Ltd in the sum of £39,600 for the supply, delivery, unloading and installation of 3 no. static compactors, in accordance with the Council's Specification.

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Alderman Connolly and AGREED:

to recommend that Council accepts the tender from H.R. Holfeld (Machinery) Ltd in the sum of £39,600 for the supply, delivery, unloading and installation of 3 no. static compactors, in accordance with the Council's Specification.

FOOD CONTROL

336.15 THE FISHERY PRODUCTS (OFFICIAL CONTROLS CHARGES) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2007

The above Regulations, which came into operation on 1st January 2008, revoke the 2006 Regulations and make provision for the collection of fees covering the cost of performing official controls on fishery products as required by European Community legislation.

336.16 THE FOOD LABELLING (DECLARATION OF ALLERGENS) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2007

The above Regulations, which came into operation on 30th December 2007, implement Commission Directive No. 2006/142/EC by adding two new ingredients to the listing of ingredients which must under all circumstances appear on the labelling of food stuffs.

336.17 CIEH FOUNDATION CERTIFICATE IN FOOD HYGIENE UPDATE

On the 13th December 2007 the Directorate provided the above training course at Loughguile Millennium Centre. Of the 13 candidates who undertook the training and examination, 11 passed. Arrangements will be made for the presentation of certificates

336.18 THE INFANT FORMULA AND FOLLOW-ON FORMULA REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2007

The above Regulations, which came into operation on 11th January 2008 give effect to Commission Directive 2006/141/EC. They set down requirements for the manufacture of infant formulae and follow-on formulae with regards to suitable ingredients, specified protein sources and compositional criteria.

HEALTH & SAFETY

336.19 THE GAS SAFETY (INSTALLATION AND USE) REGULATIONS (NI) 2004

- (a) Regulation 35 of the aforementioned legislation has been contravened in which a Health and Safety Improvement notice serial number HIS/01/08 has been served on the owner of business premises at 51B Queen Street, Ballymoney. (The employer has been unable to provide evidence of effective routine maintenance of gas appliances and installation pipework in order to prevent a risk of injury to employees and members of the public within the workplace.)
- (b) Regulation 35 of the aforementioned legislation has been contravened in which a Health and Safety Improvement notice serial number HIS/02/08 has been served on the owner of business premises at 8 Church Street, Ballymoney. (The employer has been unable to provide evidence of effective routine maintenance of gas appliances and installation pipework in order to prevent a risk of injury to employees and members of the public within the workplace.)

The Deputy Director of Borough Services advised compliance was required within 28 days.

PLANNING CONSULTATIONS

336.20 PLANNING CONSULTATION RESPONSES

The following responses to planning consultations have been returned to Planning Service and are provided to Members for information. Where appropriate replies have been copied to the applicant/agent.

This information will be passed to the Head of Corporate and Development Services.

Application	Address	Proposal	Comment
D/2006/0373/F	32 & 34 Ballymena Road, Ballymoney.	Demolish existing dwellings and outbuildings and construct new housing development consisting of 15 no. apartments and 7 no. dwellings with associated car parking and road facilities.	The proposal does not satisfy Building Control requirements on maximum travel distance from dwelling to refuse storage location.
D/2006/0452/F	21 Bridge Road, Dunloy, Ballymena.	Demolition of existing dwelling and garage and erection of 10 no. terraced townhouses, 6 apartments, 2 maisonettes with associated car parking and landscaping.	It is recommended that conditions be attached to ensure remedial works as outlined in amended quantitative contamination assessment be completed, unforeseen contamination be notified to Ballymoney Borough Council, Borough Services Directorate, with development ceasing forthwith and validation report submitted upon completion of remediation.

At the request of Alderman Simpson, the Deputy Director of Borough Services confirmed the maximum recommended travel distance from dwelling to refuse storage location as 30m.

In response to Councillor McCamphill, the Deputy Director of Borough Services clarified application D/2006/0452/F with regards to its location and source of ground contamination.

FUEL POVERTY

336.21 FUEL POVERTY

Ballymoney Town Hall was the venue for a Warm Homes celebration event on Thursday, 29th November 2007 organised by Paul Wallace of National Energy Action (NEA) and Jacqui Frazer, Fuel Poverty Strategy Co-ordinator.

The event proved very successful, with a selection of Councillors from Ballymoney Borough Council attending alongside representatives from Ballymoney Warmer Homes Group, local community groups, NIHE, other Councils in the Northern Board, Social Services, CAB, NIE and Firmus Energy.

Cllr Stevenson and Cllr McKay both spoke at the event which gave those present an opportunity to hear about the work being undertaken within Ballymoney Borough Council and across the Northern Investing for Health Partnership area to tackle the issue of fuel poverty.

National Energy Action trained six frontline energy advisers during 2007 as a result of funding received from the Northern Investing for Health Partnership, including Ciara McCormack, the Energy Efficiency Adviser for the Causeway area and Jacqui Frazer, Fuel Poverty Strategy Co-ordinator. The advisers all achieved the NEA/City and Guilds Energy Awareness qualification and were presented with their certificates at the event.

COMMUNITY SAFETY

336.22 MAKIN'CENTS PROJECT

We have been successful in securing £10,153 for the Makin' Cents project from the NHSSB. Primarily the project aims to educate children, young people, parents and teachers about alcohol and the short-term effect it has on the brain and decision-making when it comes to taking risks (A major factor in anti social behaviour). The project will encompass an element of drama, specifically tailored workshops and information sessions. We plan to develop a DVD which may be used to demonstrate good practice and as a resource for local schools/youth clubs to challenge young people in their attitudes towards drugs and their consequences in relation to anti social behaviour and health.

Ballymoney Community Safety Partnership will be the lead organization and will work in partnership with Ballymoney PSNI, Ballymoney Youth Council, the NEELB, local primary and secondary schools, Health Promotion, HIV Support Centre, NIFRS, CRUN, Dunlewey Substance Advice Centre and Solomon Theatre to develop and deliver the project.

336.23 CELEBRATION

A night of celebration has been planned for Wednesday 27th February 2008 in the Millennium Centre, Loughgiel. We plan to have a sit down meal for approx 110 people where we will showcase all the projects undertaken over the previous 3 years, with guest speakers from various projects.

Members were asked to RSVP to this invitation. The Deputy Director is to check that the night of celebration does not clash with the DPP meeting.

336.24 EVALUATION

Seven tenders were received following an open tender process for interested parties to undertake an evaluation of the 15 no. Community Safety Action Plan projects

undertaken since 2005. These were opened and reviewed against set criteria where Advantage Solutions awarded the contract.

336.25 CONSULTATION/PLANNING

Council are beginning the process of planning/consultation with the aim of developing a new three-year strategy for the beginning of April 2008. We plan to identify any gaps in information and carry out a consultation to address these targeting the business, youth, older people and general community.

336.26 NIFRS LIFE SCHEME

The Community Safety Partnership has secured funding to facilitate local young people to participate in a Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service Local Intervention Fire Education (L.I.F.E.) Scheme. The LIFE Scheme is an intensive one-week work experience course for identified young people at risk. Through a process of hard physical work, mentoring, examining the causes and consequences of crime it aims to install discipline, team spirit, self esteem, new moral values and ultimately change mindsets. The changed mindset will in turn reduce potential for offending or re offending in relation to fire setting, hoax calls, attacks on emergency personnel, other anti social behaviour, low level neighbourhood disorder youth offending and criminality.

The Deputy Director of Borough Services advised that this course will take place at Portrush Fire Station between 11th & 15th February 2008. Youths form the Ballymoney Borough will attend (if referred) and members are invited to the graduation on the last day – Friday 15th February.

336.27 UNDERAGE/BINGE DRINKING ROAD SHOW

A road show on the impact of underage/binge drinking will be held in Ballymoney Town Hall on 21st February 2008 in partnership with the NEELB, Ballymoney Community Safety Partnership, the PSNI, Health Promotion, and an addiction representative – a recovering alcoholic. Invitation is open with the target audience being school principals, key staff members, from post-primary schools and their feeder primary schools within the Borough, parents/guardians and other interested parties. Please RSVP to Joanne on 028 9448 2334 to inform numbers for catering purposes.

The Deputy Director of Borough Services or Cathy Watson will reply.

In response to Alderman Connolly, the Deputy Director of Borough Services advised that the road show will commence at 7.00pm. This will be confirmed at the next Council meeting.

This being all the business, the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Appendices attached:

Appendix 1 – Crosstagherty Landfill Restoration Presentation

Appendix 2 – Crosstagherty Landfill Site Closure/Conditioning Plan Executive Summary

Appendix 3 – Building Control Resources

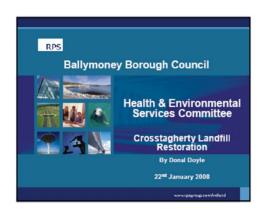
Appendix 4 – Building Control Applications

Appendix 5 – Schedule of Tenders Received – Waste Haulage Contract Tenders 2008-2009

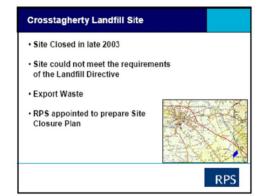
Appendix 6 – Schedule of Tenders Received – Static Compactors (Jan 2008)

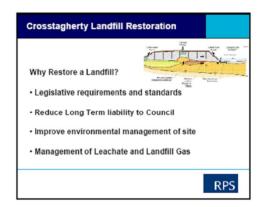
APPENDIX 1

CROSSTAGHERTY LANDFILL RESTORATION PRESENTATION

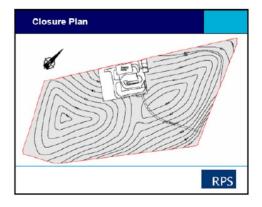






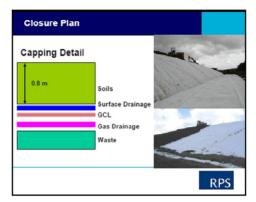






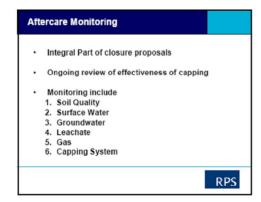
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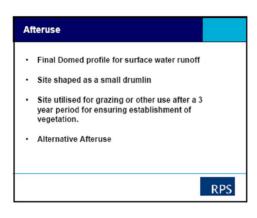


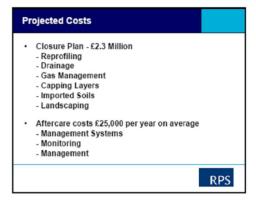




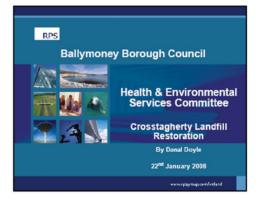


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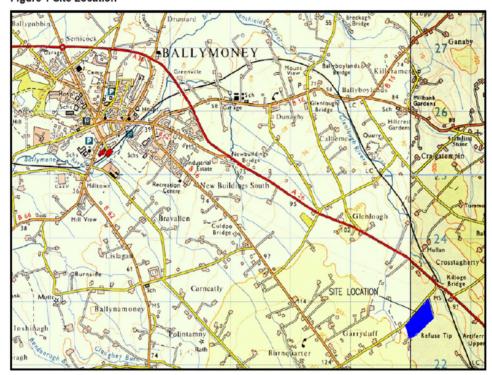
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CROSSTAGHERTY LANDFILL SITE CLOSURE/CONDITIONING PLAN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

Crosstagherty Landfill Site ceased accepting waste for disposal in late 2003. The site was developed as a non-engineered landfill facility in the 1970's and is located off the A26 on the Burnquarter Road approximately six miles outside of Ballymoney, as shown on Figure 1 below.

Figure 1 Site Location



The total area of the site is approximately 13.6 hectares and includes the following infrastructure:

- Site office located adjacent to the entrance
- Civic Amenity Site constructed in 1999/2000
- Waste Transfer Station constructed in 2002
- A Nitrification Plant for the treatment of leachate is located on the north eastern corner of the site to collect and treat the water arising from the springs within the site.

The final restoration contours were developed on the basis of providing a final landform for the existing site with adequate gradients that would facilitate surface water run-off, and hence provide an effective reduction in the generation of leachate.

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The key objectives of this closure plan are:

To reduce the council's long term management liability and costs; and

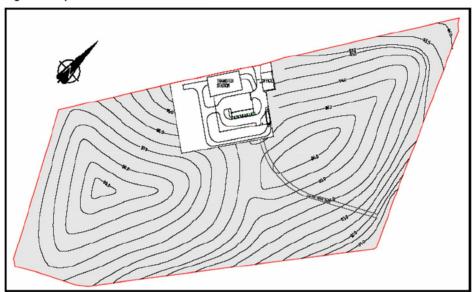
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 To improve the environmental management of the site in line with legislative requirements and standards.

An important aspect of the restoration programme will be the provision of a comprehensive capping system that will ensure the effective long-term management of leachate and landfill gas. Figure 2 below illustrates the proposed final contours on the site.

Figure 2 Proposed Restoration Contours



POLLUTION CONTROL SYSTEMS

Pollution control systems shall be designed and installed giving consideration to the landfill design and existing pollution control systems. These include:

- Landfill Gas Management
- Leachate Management
- Surface Water Management

CAPPING PROPOSALS

The main factors which influence the rate of infiltration of rainfall into the waste and hence the generation of leachate are topography and configuration of the final cover. These factors affect the sites run off pattern and the amount of water percolating into the landfill. Through the proper closure and restoration of Crosstagherty Landfill Site, Ballymoney Borough Council aim to minimise future potential risks due to landfill emissions from the site.

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The capping system comprises the following layers:

- Geosynthetic Gas Collection Layer (Geonet)
- Geosynthetic Clay Liner (GCL)
- Surface Water Drainage Layer (Geonet)
- Subsoil
- Topsoil

Where suitable material is locally identified by Ballymoney Borough Council it is proposed that this material will be imported prior to the commencement of any restoration work on site and stockpiled on site.

MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING

The Closure Report details the monitoring proposals in relation to landfill leachate, surface water, landfill gas to be implemented at Crosstagherty Landfill Site. To provide evidence that the performance of the proposed restoration of the site will bring about the predicted improvements in the environment in the vicinity, a site-specific monitoring plan is proposed. This plan aims to provide the appropriate level of assurance that the landfill closure does not cause unacceptable harm to the environment.

AFTERUSE

The objectives of landscape design proposals are to create a landscape suitable for the proposed after-use, to integrate the restored site into its surroundings and to provide screening as required. It is intended that landscaping will be carried out in tandem with the capping.

Pastureland dominates the local landscape, existing hedgerows at the perimeter of the site will be retained and where necessary reinforced with native plant species. The site will be seeded with grass as soon as possible after restoration works are completed. The site will be maintained by Ballymoney Borough Council after final restoration and it is proposed that the site will ultimately be utilised for agricultural grazing in the long term. All existing perimeter hedges will be retained and enhanced by landscaping indigenous to the locality.

EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL PROVISION

Ballymoney Borough Council will be responsible for meeting all financial costs associated with the restoration, aftercare and annual maintenance of the site. The overall expenditure is estimated at £2.3 Million.

There will be an ongoing requirement for Ballymoney Borough Council to provide aftercare to the Crosstagherty site subsequent to the closure. It is estimated that the expenditure will be typically on average over £25,000 per year. There will however be additional cost associated with monitoring in the early years post restoration in order to establish a baseline at the site.

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APPENDIX 3

BUILDING CONTROL RESOURCES

Ballymoney Borough Council

Update Report on Staffing of Building Control Department

December 2007

1. <u>Introduction</u>

- 1.1 This report is a follow-up to one prepared in January 2006 in relation to staffing of the Ballymoney Borough Council Building Control Department.
- 1.2 The 2006 report examined work loads in relation to staff numbers and recommended that a further full-time Building Control Officer should be appointed immediately. This appointment was not made.
- 1.3 The 2006 report also recommended that workloads should be monitored over the next year to ensure that the staff compliment was adequate to meet the demands imposed by the new Building Regulations. This report considers this question.

2. Report

- 2.1 The 2006 report indicated that the average number of Building Regulations applications submitted to Ballymoney during the years 2004 and 2005 was <u>390</u>. It was recommended that, on the basis of past experience in the Council, and in comparison with staffing levels in other Councils, the required number of Building Control Officers to deal with this workload was <u>4</u>. At that time there were three BCOs in post, and this remains the situation.
- 2.2 In 2005/6 the number of Building Regulations applications rose to **458** and in 2006/7 it rose further to **560** (financial years are used). This means that the average number of applications from 2004 2007 is now **450.** This shows that workload in Ballymoney is increasing steadily, even though staff numbers have actually reduced from 1997, when the average number of applications was 316.
- 2.3 In addition to the increasing numbers of applications, there have been substantial changes to the Building Regulations. In particular, the Regulations relating to conservation of energy have become much more complex as part of the Government's commitment to the reduction of carbon dioxide emissions from buildings. These new Regulations have come as a considerable challenge to all Building Control Departments as it is now taking much longer applications and Officers have had to undertake extensive retraining to be able to cope with the new concepts that have been introduced.
- 2.4 It is hardly surprising, therefore, that application turn-round times in the Ballymoney office have increased substantially. It is taking much longer to check drawings and, consequently, a backlog of un-assessed applications has built up. At the last count there were 111 such applications, all of which had been waiting for assessment for more than a month, which is well over the normal period allowed for in the annual performance indicator for plan checking. Officers have been working overtime to try to reduce this backlog, but this is an undesirable and unreliable practice and is not sustainable in the long term.
- 2.5 The mental pressure that is created by having to try to deal with this backlog of applications, coupled with the on-going demands for urgent site inspections, leads to a build-up of stress, and this is a very real

problem. My own observations indicate that stress levels in the staff of the Ballymoney office have been steadily increasing over the past year. It is not in the interests of Council or of staff to allow this to continue as, inevitably, health difficulties will develop and sickness absences will result leading, in turn, to larger backlogs of unchecked applications.

2.6 In recent years the income from Building Regulations Fees has easily met the cost of the service. Indeed, in the 2005/06 financial year (the last for which I have figures) the Fees income was 112% of the costs. This indicates that there is ample scope for the employment of an additional Building Control Officer at little or no cost to the District Rates. It must be remembered that Building Regulations Fees are, by law, charged for the delivery of the Building Control service and income should therefore be devoted to that service.

3. Conclusion

- 3.1 The 2006 report, on the basis of the information put forward in it, concluded that an additional Building Control Officer should be appointed immediately. This recommendation was not acted on at that time.
- 3.2 This report indicates that workloads have built up substantially since 2006 and has shown that performance levels have suffered accordingly.
- 3.3 I therefore conclude, once again, that an additional full-time Building Control Officer should be appointed to the staff of the Ballymoney Building Control Department so that the staff compliment is returned to what it was previously.

R.F. White

Chief Building Control Officer, Northern Group of Councils.

APPENDIX 4

BUILDING CONTROL APPLICATIONS

BUILDING CONTROL APPLICATIONS

The following *Applications and Building Notices* are in accordance with the requirements of the Building Regulations (N.I.) 2000.

Ref No: B/2006/0328/ Applicant: Mr Jack Collins

Agent: Gary Gaston 133 Finvoy Road Ballymoney **Location:** Mullan Road Moneycanon Ballymoney

Description: Dwelling and garage

Ref No: B/2007/0007/ **Applicant:** Trustees Lavin

Agent: Mr W J Atkinson 18 Milltown Road Ballymoney

Location: 193 Drones Road Dunloy Ballymoney

Description: Replacement Hall

Ref No: B/2007/0009/ Applicant: B/2007/0009/ Mr Peter Hughes

Agent: Kevin Gallagher 88 Gortnageeragh Road Martinstown

Location: 53 Loughill Road Cloughmills Ballymena

Description: Extension to dwelling and new detached garage

Ref No: B/2007/0016/ Applicant: Mr Bryan Heron

Agent: JWA Design 1 Bramble Grove Newtownabbey

Location: 92 Bravallen Road Ballymoney

Description: Extension to dwelling

Ref No: B/2007/0022/ Applicant: Mr Brian Scott

Agent: Ken Gardiner 115 Moneygran Road Coleraine

Location: 20 Willowdale Bendooragh Ballymoney

Description: Roofspace conversion to dwelling

Ref No: B/2007/0038/

Applicant: Mr Robert Chambers

Agent: Bell Architects 65 Main Street Ballymoney **Location:** 21 Lislagan Road Culdoo Upper Ballymoney

Description: Dwelling and garage

Ref No: B/2007/0067/

Applicant: Triangle Housing Association

Agent: The Harbour Studio 36B The Promenade Portstewart

Location: 102 Mullan Road Ballymoney **Description:** Extension and alterations to dwelling

Ref No: B/2007/0073/ **Applicant:** Pastor J Payne

Agent: Hunter Associates 8 Charlotte Street Ballymoney

Location: 18 Garryduff Road Ballymoney **Description:** Alterations to provide ramped access

Ref No: B/2007/0118/ **Applicant:** Mr Peter Williams

Agent:

Location: 1 Kirk Park Ballymoney **Description:** Sun room extension to dwelling

Ref No: B/2007/0136/

Applicant: Mr Nicholas Armstrong

Agent: Diamond Design Studio 2d The Diamond Ballycastle **Location:** 60 Carncullagh Road Carncullagh Lower Dervock Ballymoney

Description: Dwelling with attached garage

Ref No: B/2007/0178/
Applicant: Mr Robert O'Neill

Agent: Pro Design 43 Kilmandil Road Ballymena **Location:** 229 Lisnahunshin Road Rasharkin Ballymena

Description: Extension to dwelling

Ref No: B/2007/0215/ Applicant: Mr Neal Kelly

Agent: Hunter Associates 8 Charlotte Street Ballymoney

Location: 15 Ballyweeny Road Corkey Ballymoney

Description: Extension to dwelling

Ref No: B/2007/0216/ Applicant: Mr R Purdy

Agent: Mr F A Wheeler 201 Garron Road Ballymena **Location:** 56 Boyland Road Ballyboylands Lower Ballymoney

Description: Dwelling and garage

Ref No: B/2007/0217/

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Paul & Amanda Cooper

Agent: Diamond & Hughes Architecture 77 Main Street Maghera

Location: 33 Portrush Road Ballymoney

Description: Dwelling and garage

Ref No: BN/2007/0146/ **Applicant:** Mr Samuel Watt

Agent: CFM Ltd 65 Deerpark Road Castledawson

Location: 4 Antrim Park Ballymoney

Description: Installation of oil-fired central heating

Ref No: BN/2007/0147/ **Applicant:** Mr P O,Boyle

Agent: Mr F A Wheeler 201 Garron Road Ballymena

Location: 10 Reservoir Road Corkey Ballymoney

Description: Garage

Ref No: BN/2007/0155/ **Applicant:** Ms Eileen Scullion

Agent: Mr F Quigg 30 Agivey Road Kilrea
Location: 29 Chesnutt Grove Ballymoney
Description: Installation of oil-fired central heating

Ref No: BN/2007/0156/

Applicant: Ms Judith Catherine George

Agent: N / A

Location: 7 Bellaghy Cresent Dunloy Ballymena **Description:** Roofspace conversion to dwelling

Ref No: BN/2007/0157/ **Applicant:** Ms Elizabeth Reid

Agent: Mr F Quigg 30 Agivey Road Kilrea

Location: 8 Grange Drive Ballymoney

Description: Installation of oil-fired central heating

Ref No: BN/2007/0158/ **Applicant:** Mr Robert Sterling

Agent: O'Kane Plumbing & Heating 46 Dunamore Road Cookstown

Location: 3 Eastburn Drive Ballymoney **Description:** Installation of oil-fired central heating

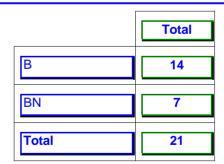
Ref No: BN/2007/0160/ Applicant: Ms Ellen Calderwood

Agent: Barahaven Construction 194 Washingbay Road Coalisland

Location: 223 Garryduff Road Dunloy Ballymena **Description:** Installation of oil-fired central heating

B - Full Plans Applications BN - Building Notice Applications

RC - Regularisation Certificate Applications



APPENDIX 5

SCHEDULE OF TENDERS RECEIVED - WASTE HAULAGE CONTRACT TENDERS 2008-2009

Waste Haulage Contract Tenders 2008-2009

Tenders were invited, by public advertisement, regarding the transport of the Council's municipal waste from its Crosstagherty Waste Handling & Transfer Facility to various specified locations. The closing date for tenders was 12.00 noon, Monday 21st January 2008. 14 sets of documents were issued. The three tenders received were opened by the Chair of the Council's Health & Environmental Services Committee, together with the Director of Borough Services on that date at 4.30pm. The tender prices submitted are detailed in the table below. In order to preserve commercial confidentiality, the lowest price for each site is identified by letters - A, B, C, D, E, etc.

		<u>Contractors</u>	
	Organic Waste Recycling 161 Quarry Heights, North Road, Newtownards, BT23 7SZ	BricKKiln Waste Limited 23 Heather Road, Creevagh, Derry, BT48 9XD	Wasteline 9 Ballynaloob Road, Dunloy, BT44 9AX
Nominated Site	[1] Transport of Residual Municip	al Waste to the Councils No	minated Landfill Site
Bairds Brae [Cottonmount]	A + £6.90	A + £4.50	Α
Aughrim [Lisburn]	B + £8.51	B + £5.25	В
Craigahulliar [Coleraine]	C + £6.72	not priced	С
Magheraglass [Cookstown]	D + £7.23	D + £5.25	D
Mullaghglass [Lisburn]	E + £8.70	E + £5.25	Е

Contractors

Organic Waste Recycling	BricKKiln Waste Limited	Wasteline	
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161 Quarry Heights, North Road, 23 Heather Road, Creevagh, 9 Ballynaloob Road, Newtownards, BT23 7SZ Derry, BT48 9XD Dunloy, BT44 9AX

Nominated Site [2] Transport of CA & Bulky Household Waste to the Councils Nominated Waste Reprocessor Site

BricKKiln	F + £8.37	F + £2.67	F
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[Maydown]

City Industrial G G + £8.37 G + £2.67

Waste [Campsie]

Organic Waste Recycling BricKKiln Waste Limited Wasteline

161 Quarry Heights, North Road, 23 Heather Road, Creevagh, 9 Ballynaloob Road, Newtownards, BT23 7SZ Derry, BT48 9XD Dunloy, BT44 9AX

[3] Transport of Brown Bin [Garden] Waste to the Councils Nominated Waste Reprocessor Site **Nominated Site**

Simpro [Limavady]	H + £7.75	not priced	Н
Simpro	1 + £11.08	not priced	

[Newtownstewart]

NWP J + £8.03not priced J

[Dunmurray]

NWP K + £12.10K not priced

[Keady]

Grogans [Carrickmore]	L + £11.67	not priced	L	
Glenfarm	M + £8.62	not priced	M	
[Lisburn]		Contractors		
	Organic Waste Recycling 161 Quarry Heights, North Road, Newtownards, BT23 7SZ	BricKKiln Waste Limited 23 Heather Road, Creevagh Derry, BT48 9XD	Wasteline , 9 Ballynaloob Road, Dunloy, BT44 9AX	
BricKKiln [Maydown]		N + £3.26	N	
City Ind. Waste [Campsie]	O + £7.76	O + £3.26	0	
Bryson [Coleraine]	P + £6.81	not priced	P	

A. S Calderwood t/a Wasteline is the lowest tenderer as regards the work on offer and has undertaken successfully this important work.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council engage A. S. Calderwood, t/a Wasteline, of 9 Ballynaloob Road, Dunloy, Ballymena, BT44 9AX, to haul its municipal waste during 2008-2009, in accordance with the Councils Specification and Contract Conditions.

APPENDIX 6

SCHEDULE OF TENDERS RECEIVED - STATIC CONTRACTORS (JAN 08)

Static Compactors (Jan 2008)

Tenders were invited, by public advertisement, for the supply, delivery, unloading and installation of 2 no. static compactors (plus option to purchase 1 no. additional static compactor). The closing date for tenders was 12.00 noon, Friday 18th January 2008. The six tenders received were opened by the Chair of the Council's Health & Environmental Services Committee, together with the Director of Borough Services on Monday 21st January 2008 at 4.30pm. The tender prices submitted are detailed in the table below.

Number of tenders received:- 6

Compliant Tenders (1)

<u>Tenderer</u>	Product	Price including painting (£)		War	Delivery
	Offered	2 no. compactors	3 no. compactors	rant <u>y</u> (months)	time from order (weeks)
H.R. Holfeld (Machinery) Ltd Unit 10	BRG 2.5 yd³	26,400	39,600	12	5
Blaris Ind. Estate Altona Road Lisburn					

Non Compliant Tenders (5)

<u>Tenderer</u>	Product	Price including	g painting (£)	<u>War</u>	Delivery
	Offered	2 no. compactors	3 no. compactors	rant Y	time from order (weeks)
Gradeall Int. Ltd 9 Farlough Road Dungannon Co.Tyrone	Gradeall G90	16,900	25,350	12	4-6
NEC Distributors Unit 3 Rampart Road Greenbank Ind. Estate Newry	Euro-Pac EP 325	18,998	28,497	12	4-6
RD Mechanical Services Unit 11 McKinney Ind Estate Newtownabbey	CK S2.2 Static	20,240	30,360	12	6-8
NU-MAC Templehill Road Newry	NUMAC 3 yd³	24,800	36,600	12	4-5
Moovmor 31 Kildare Business Park Melitta Road Kildare	3000 Model	30,414	45,621	24	5

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Borough Council accept the tender from H.R. Holfeld (Machinery) Ltd in the sum of £39,600 for the supply, delivery, unloading and installation of 3 no. static compactors, in accordance with the Council's Specification.