

## BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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**BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING NO.319**

Minutes of Meeting no.319 held in the Council Chamber, Riada House on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2006 at 10.30 am..

**IN THE CHAIR:** Alderman F Campbell

**Aldermen:**

H Connolly                      C Cousley  
J Simpson

**Councillors:**

A Cavlan                      M McCamphill  
D McKay                      A Patterson  
E Robinson                  R Wilson  
I Stevensons

**APOLOGIES:** J Finlay  
T McKeown  
M Storey

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Director of Central & Leisure Services  
Deputy Director of Borough Services  
Head of Leisure Services  
Committee Clerk

**319.1                  MINUTES – MEETING NO 318 – 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE 2005**

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

***that the minutes of the Meeting No 318, on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2006, as  
circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.***

**319.2 MATTERS ARISING:****1. Community Relations Action Plan 2006/07 (318.20)**

At the request of Councillor McCamphill, the Director of Central and Leisure Services confirmed her intention to arrange a meeting within the next two weeks with the Head of Community Relations Unit in order to discuss the allocation of funding.

- **Councillor McKay arrived, the time being 10.40 am.**

**LEISURE SERVICES:****319.3 JOEY DUNLOP LEISURE CENTRE – PRICING POLICY 2006**

The proposed pricing policy for the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre, effective from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2006 was circulated. The Director of Central and Leisure Services advised that the pricing policy is in excess of inflation but remains competitive. The Director answered a number of queries from member's relating to the refurbishment of the health suite and new soft play area confirming that these pricing structures will be reviewed when the planned work has been completed. The Director also confirmed that concessionary rates are in place for senior citizens and responded to questions concerning staffing costs for the hire of the main hall.

The Head of Leisure Services explained the position relating to the hire of rooms at the Centre, including the use of rooms by therapists, the Director of Central & Leisure Services confirming that this was a much-welcomed source of income. Alderman Connolly welcomed the physiotherapy service within the borough.

- **Councillor Stevenson arrived, the time being 10.50 am.**

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

***to recommend that council accept the proposed pricing structure for the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre, effective from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2006.***

**319.4 SPORT IN OUR COMMUNITY – OFFER OF GRANT FROM SPORTS COUNCIL NORTHER IRELAND**

Council is currently in receipt of funding from the Sports Council for the Community Sports Officer for a three-year period 2005-2008. Application was made to the Sports Council for a further two years funding.

The Sports Council for Northern Ireland has agreed to make a full offer of £62,995, being a further two years funding for the Community Sports Officer post.

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

***to recommend that Council accept the grant of £62,995 offered by the Sports Council for Northern Ireland.***

### **319.5 JOEY DUNLOP LEISURE CENTRE 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

The 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Leisure Centre is 29<sup>th</sup> October 2006 and it is recommended that an event be organised to mark the occasion. The Head of Leisure Services outlined some suggestions for an event including a 'superstars' event supported by local athletes and a firework display. The Director of Central & Leisure Services will table the matter at a future meeting for further discussion. Any suggestions from Members would be welcomed.

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

***to recommend to council that an event is held to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre (date to be agreed)***

### **319.6 TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE – LETTER OF OFFER OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE NORTHERN IRELAND TOURISTS BOARD**

The Northern Ireland Tourist Board has agreed to award financial assistance to Ballymoney Borough Council towards the fitting out of the New Tourist Information Centre within the Town Hall. The amount of the grant offered is £31,355.60

The Director of Central and Leisure Services outlined the background to the application for the grant and advised Members that the Tourist Board required the grant offer to be accepted by 15<sup>th</sup> July 2006 in order to secure the funding. Having discussed the matter with the Chair of Committee, the Chief Executive and Director of Central & Leisure Services signed and returned the Grant Acceptance Form by the due date. Retrospective approval is sought to accept the grant.

It was proposed by Councillor McCamphill, seconded by Councillor Robinson and  
**AGREED:**

***to recommend that Council retrospectively approve acceptance of the grant offered by the Northern Ireland Tourist Board in the amount of £31,335.60.***

Councillor Stevenson recorded his thanks to the Director in successfully securing the funding.

### **319.7 COMMUNITY RELATIONS GRANTS**

The following applications for grants were considered.

- 7.1 Glebeside Community Association for assistance towards their Community Week, 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> August 2006. Amount requested - £350.00.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £350.00 to Glebeside Community Association for assistance towards their Community Week.***

- 7.2 Ballybogey Community Association for assistance towards their Community Week, 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> August 2006. Amount requested - £350.00.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £350.00 to Ballybogey Community Association for assistance towards their Community Week.***

### **319.8 COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS**

The following applications for grants were considered.

- 8.1 Cloughmills Golden Oldies for assistance towards a Bus Trip for its members.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £100.00 to Cloughmills Golden Oldies for assistance towards a Bus Trip.***

- 8.2 Dunloy Development Association for assistance towards a historical walk.

It was proposed by Councillor McCamphill, seconded by Councillor Cavlan and **AGREED:**

***to recommend that Council contribute £100.00 to Dunloy Development Association for assistance towards a historical walk.***

- 8.3 Autumn Leaf Club, Ballymoney for assistance towards their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £100.00 to Autumn Leaf Club, Ballymoney for assistance towards their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary event.***

- 8.4 Cherubs Parent & Toddler Group for assistance towards a day trip for families.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £100.00 to Cherubs Parent and Toddler Group for assistance towards their day trip for families.***

In answer to a query, the Director of Central & Leisure Services advised that evidence of expenditure was being sought from groups who received grants.

- **Councillor Wilson retired from the meeting, the time being 11.20 am.**

### **319.9 BALLYMONEY NETWORK TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE**

The Northern Ireland Tourist Board have written to the Council advising that they are now happy that the Tourist Information Centre meets with the Network Minimum Standards. The Tourist Board say they are looking forward to working with the Council in offering both visitors and the local community a first rate service and hope that the Tourist Information Centre will benefit from the training, advertising and branding that comes from being a Network Tourist Information Centre.

The Director of Central & Leisure Services outlined the intention to host an event to acknowledge the financial assistance provided by the Northern Ireland Tourist Board and will table this matter at a future committee meeting for further discussion.

**319.10 SKILLSACTIVE PRESENTATION TO HEAD OF LEISURE SERVICES**

Paul Lyness, Head of Leisure Services, is a member of the Northern Ireland region of SkillsActive and he represents Northern Ireland's employers on the UK panel in the development and review of Leisure Management, National Occupational Standards.

At the recent AGM of SkillsActive, the permanent secretary of the Department of Employment and Learning presented Paul with a gift in recognition of his dedication and commitment to the vital but detailed and demanding work of producing National Standards.

Members commended Paul for his hard work and dedication and congratulated him on this presentation.

Paul thanked Members for their kind words. (11.30 am)

**BOROUGH AMENITIES****319.11 PROVISION OF NEW PLAY AREAS AT ROCKEND, MAGHERAHONEY AND BALNAMORE.**

Council received 6 no tenders for the above mentioned contract as listed below

<b>Tenderer</b>	<b>Tender Amount (ex VAT)</b>
Whitemountain Quarries Ltd 1 Letterloan Road, Macosquin Coleraine BT51 4PP	£131, 578.00
Crawford Contractors Woodside Road Industrial Estate Woodside Road, Ballymena BT42 4QJ	£135,197.00
Play & Leisure Services 24 Manse Road, Carrowdore BT22 2EZ	£154,481.10
Street Play Leisure 2-4 Balloo Avenue, Bangor BT19 7QT	£161,558.00
Northstone (NI) Ltd 209 Bushmills Road, Coleraine BT52 2BX	£164,384.21



Boyd Landscapes Ltd 8 Logwood Road, Ballyclare BT39 9LR	£169,977.00
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A select list had previously been agreed by Council and tender documents were only issued to those on this list. The Council's Consultants (R. Robinson & Sons) examined the documents of the three lowest tenders. All tenders are considered capable of undertaking the work to a high standard and within budget. All tenders were considered to be satisfactory with no arithmetical errors.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT** the tender submitted by Whitemountain Quarries Ltd, in the sum of £131,578.00 excluding VAT be accepted.

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

***to recommend that Council accept the lowest tender received for the provision of new play areas at Rockend, Magherahoney and Balnamore in the sum of £131,578.00 from Whitemountain Quarries Limited.***

### **319.12 SELECT LIST – MECHANICAL SERVICES - CHANGING ROOMS AT DUNAGHY & BALNAMORE**

10 applications were received and examined by Council's Consultants (Cogan & Shackleton) to determine suitability for the project. Criteria for the inclusion on the Select List were as defined within the notice to Contractors. The applications were examined and scores allocated under the appropriate criteria with the applicants ranked in score order.

The following 4 applicants had the highest ranking score and are considered to have the skill and resources to carry out the contract:

- Gorman Mechanical Services, 28 Moycraig Rd, Whitepark Bay, Co. Antrim BT57 8TB
- White Engineering Ltd, John's Lane, Strangford BT30 7LZ
- Hutton (M&E) Services Ltd, Unit 6, 18 West Bank Rd, Belfast BT3 9JL
- Stothers (M&E) Radiant Works, Sunwich St, Ravenhill Ave, Belfast BT6 8HR

The following applicants successfully applied for the Select List in a previous exercise:

- Red Sky Group, Grove Street East, Belfast BT5 5GH
- McKay Plumbing & Heating, 120 Magheralane Rd, Randalstown BT41 2PD

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** that the above 6 No. firms are included on the select list.

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

***to recommend to Council that the above six companies are included on the select list for mechanical services to the changing rooms at Dunaghy & Balnamore.***

### **319.13 SELECT LIST - PERIODIC INSPECTION - ELECTRICAL SERVICES**

12 applications were received and examined by Council's Consultants (Cogan & Shackleton) to determine suitability. Entries for inclusion on the select list were as defined in the notice to Contractors. The applications were examined and scores allocated under the appropriate criteria and the applicants ranked in score order.

The following 6 applicants had the highest ranking score and are considered to have the skill and resources to carry out the contract:

- Red Sky Group, Grove Street East, Belfast BT5 5GH
- Stothers (M&E) Radiant Works, Sunwich St, Ravenhill Ave Belfast BT6 8HR
- Little Electrical Engineers, 30-32 Queens Place, Lurgan BT66 8BY
- Central Group Services Ltd, Unit 12 Tamar Commercial Centre, 25 Tamar St, Belfast BT4 1HR
- Hutton (M&E) Services Ltd, Unit 6, 18 West Bank Rd, Belfast BT3 9JL
- McDowell Installations, Unit 1, Tamar Commercial Centre, 25 Tamar Street, Belfast BT4 1HS

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** that the above 6 No. firms are included on the select list.

The Deputy Director of Borough Services and the Director of Central and Leisure Services responded to a number of queries relating to the criteria concerning select lists and the role of Council's Consultants in this process. Councillor McKay queried the legal implications relating to those companies included on the list who had successfully applied in a previous exercise, in parallel to those companies who had

subsequently been rejected in a later exercise. The Deputy Director of Borough Services agreed to clarify this situation with Council's consultants.

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

***to recommend to Council that the above six companies are included on the select list for Periodic Inspection – Electrical Services..***

### **319.14 BALLYMONEY CEMETERY MEMORIALS**

**Application has been received as undernoted for the erection of memorials in Ballymoney Cemetery.**

Section I2 No. 120

Mrs. Ellie Wallace, 7 Bann Road, Ballymoney  
All Polished Black Granite Headstone and Base

Section I2 Nos. 76 & 77

Mr. Ashley Gerrow, 39 Beechcroft, Ballymoney  
All Polished Black Granite Headstone and Base

Section I2 No. 98

Mr. James Archibald, 82 Stuart Park, Ballymoney  
All Polished Black Granite Headstone and Base

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** that Council grant permission to the above applicants to erect memorials in Ballymoney Cemetery, subject to usual requirements.

It was proposed by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Robinson and  
**AGREED:**

***to recommend that Council grant permission to the above applicants to erect memorials in Ballymoney Cemetery, subject to the usual requirements.***

### **319.15 DOWNSTREAM BOUNDARY OF ESTUARY WATER SPORTS ZONE**

The Lough Neagh and Lower Bann Advisory Committee have advised via correspondence dated 30<sup>th</sup> June of the following short term solution to the problem of disturbance by wake from powered sports boats at the Cranagh jetties.

The downstream end of the watersports zone marker should be moved upstream to the post above the upstream side of the Cranagh jetties.

This will shorten the watersports zone by approximately 50m but will remain viable in terms of overall length.

**319.16 UEFA REGIONS CUP - PRELIMINARY ROUND MINI TOURNAMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND - FINLAND v LATVIA**

The Irish Football Association have confirmed by correspondence dated 5<sup>th</sup> July that Riada Stadium has been selected to host the above game on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2006. with kick-off at 7.30pm.

**319.17 PRIESTS WELL RASHARKIN: ASSERTION AS A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY**

Further to Committee minute 318.11, additional information is being sought too address issues raised. It is hoped that this information will be available for the next Committee meeting.

- **Councillor McKay and Councillor Cavlan retired from the meeting, the time being 11.45**

**319.18 TOWN HALL MANAGEMENT GROUP**

At the request of Councillor Stevenson, the Deputy Director of Borough Services agreed to ascertain details of the next meeting of the Town Hall Working Group to provide Councillor Stevenson with the opportunity to discuss with them, signage issues relating to the Town Hall.

**This being all the business, the meeting closed at 11.50 am.**