

**Ballymoney Borough Council
Council Meeting No 955 – 6th February 2012**

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BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting No 955 held in the Council Chamber, Riada House, Ballymoney on Monday 6th February 2012 at 6.30 pm

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor I Stevenson, Mayor

PRESENT:

Aldermen
F Campbell
H Connolly
C Cousley, MBE
Alderman B Kennedy

Councillors
J Atkinson
W Blair
J Finlay
R Halliday
R McAfee
P McGuigan
T McKeown, Deputy Mayor
C McLaughlin
E Robinson

APOLOGIES: Councillor A Cavlan

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive
Director of Borough Services
Director of Central & Leisure Services
Head of Corporate & Development Services
Committee Clerk

NI Milk Cup Committee (Item 4)

V Leonard
J Weir
J Ferguson

Press

955.1 CONDOLENCE

The Mayor expressed sympathy to Mr Richard Lewis, Chief Executive of Moyle Council, on the death of his father. He has written conveying condolences to him and his family.

955.2 LORD BANNSIDE

The Mayor acknowledged the retirement of Freeman of the Borough, Lord Bannside, after 65 years faithful service in the ministry and stated that he was sorry to learn at the weekend that he was unwell and has been admitted to hospital. Thoughts and prayers are with him at this time.

955.3 QUEEN ELIZABETH II – 60TH ANNIVERSARY

The Mayor commented that today marks the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth's accession to the throne. He expressed gratitude for Her Majesty's dedication and devotion to service in the 60 years she has been Queen stating that her unflinching commitment to duty has been an example to us all. The Mayor wished Her Majesty well as she prepares to celebrate her Diamond Jubilee and in the years of her reign to come.

955.4 NI MILK CUP

The Mayor welcomed representatives from the Milk Cup Committee to Council to give a presentation on the direct economic impact of the Milk Cup 2011, 16 games of which were played in Ballymoney. Victor Leonard said the event was now in its 30th year and he thanked Council for its support over the last 25 years and for the use of the magnificent Riada Stadium. He said an economic study had been undertaken on last year's event and would be presented by Joy Ferguson

Joy Ferguson advised members that all major events are subject to NITB economic study and the 2011 report was commissioned by NITB and DETI using their Events Impact Toolkit to gather and analyse information relating to the direct economic impact of the event, particularly with regard to measuring visitor spend, participant and organiser spend. The total direct economic impact analysis indicated that the return of investment for Ballymoney in 2011 equated to £84:1. 2012 marks a significant year for the competition in its 30th year with the organisers anticipating matching benefits to the borough. The event commences on 21st July and culminates in Ballymena on 26th July 2012. 2013 will see the final game of the competition return to Coleraine. The presentation is attached as Appendix 1.

Alderman Kennedy thanked the representatives for their impressive presentation stating that the Milk Cup Competition is one of the best events locally and it is testimony to the organising Committee that it has improved so much over its 30 year span.

Mr Leonard and Mr Weir responded to questions from members relating to:

- Rationale for restructuring into County teams
- Participation of local players
- Ballymoney league tables
- Lack of hotel accommodation for visiting teams
- Location of pitches in relation to town centre and resulting impact

The Mayor thanked the representatives for their presentation which concluded at 7.10 pm at which time the representatives left the meeting.

- * Councillor McKeown joined the meeting during the discussion at 6.40 pm.
- * Alderman Connolly joined the meeting at 6.45 pm
- * Councillor McGuigan joined the meeting at 6.55 pm.

955.5 MINUTES – MEETING NO 951 – 3RD JANUARY 2012

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

that the minutes of Meeting No 951 – 3rd January 2012, as circulated be confirmed as a correct record.

955.6 MINUTES – MEETING NO 952 – 11TH JANUARY 2012

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

that the minutes of Meeting No 952 – 11th January 2012, as circulated be confirmed as a correct record.

955.7 MINUTES – MEETING NO 953 – 20TH JANUARY 2012

It was proposed by Alderman Campbell seconded by Councillor Atkinson and
AGREED:

that the minutes of Meeting No 953 – 20th January 2012, as circulated be confirmed as a correct record.

955.8 MINUTES – MEETING NO 954 – 30TH JANUARY 2012

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

that the minutes of Meeting No 954 – 30th January 2012, as circulated be confirmed as a correct record.

955.9 MINUTES OF CONSULTATION COMMITTEE MEETING NO 69 – 16TH JANUARY 2012

Alderman Connolly presented the report in the absence of the Chair.

The minutes of Consultation Committee Meeting No 69 – 16th January 2012, as circulated, were received.

955.10 MINUTES OF DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO 231 – 18TH JANUARY 2012

Councillor Finlay presented the report.

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Councillor Halliday and **AGREED:**

that Council 'move into Committee' to discuss an additional item, as agreed with the Mayor.

* **The press left the meeting at 7.20 pm.**

10.1 Sale of Council Land/Property

An issue relating to an application for disposal of Council land at Castle Street has already been considered by Committee and Council's position conveyed to the applicant. The Chief Executive responded outlining the criteria for the sale or transfer of Council land/property and Council's duty to obtain best value.

It was proposed by Alderman Kennedy, seconded by Alderman Campbell and **AGREED:**

that Council notes discussion and restates its view relating to the sale of Council land/property.

It was proposed by Councillor McGuigan, seconded by Councillor Finlay and **AGREED:**

That Council 'move out of Committee' to continue the business of the meeting.

* **The press returned to the meeting at 7.30 pm.**

10.2 Adoption of Minutes

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Alderman Kennedy

that the minutes of Meeting No 231 – 18th January 2012, as circulated be adopted and the recommendations therein approved.

Councillor McGuigan stated his opposition to item 6.1 (Queen's Diamond Jubilee). He opposed ratepayers money being used for this purpose and said that funding is available from other sources for community groups to celebrate this event and applications should be submitted to Community Relations Council and cost should not be borne by ratepayers. Councillor McLaughlin concurred with Councillor McGuigan's remarks and referred to the financial difficulties being experienced by citizens and businesses due to the current economic climate.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor McGuigan, seconded by Councillor McLaughlin

that the Minutes of Meeting No 231 – 18th January 2012, as circulated, be adopted with the exception of item 6.1.

The Mayor put the amendment to the vote.

For	Against
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The Mayor declared the amendment lost.

The Mayor put the motion to adopt the minutes to the meeting and it was carried.

955.11 MINUTES OF LEISURE & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING NO 390 – 20TH JANUARY 2012

Alderman Campbell presented the report.

Matters Arising:

11.1 Ballymoney Connect2 Project (391.10)

The Director of Borough Services directed members to a display stand illustrating drawings of the bridge design at the railway station. The programme is on target to be delivered between June and August 2012, the first sod having been cut on 2nd February. The photographs will be on display in the reception area of Riada House for a short time.

11.2 Adoption of Minutes

It was proposed by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Kennedy and **AGREED:**

that the minutes of Meeting No 390 –20th January 2012, as circulated be adopted and the recommendations therein approved.

955.12 MINUTES OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MEETING NO 377 - 24TH JANUARY 2012

Councillor Robinson presented the report.

Matters Arising:

12.1 Policing and Community Safety Partnership (377.17)

The Director of Borough Services advised members of the tight timescale for the appointments to the new partnership. He stated that it was an on-going process with regard to the appointment of members and that Council had to nominate those who have been successful through that process. It was **recommended** that the appointment panel be given delegated authority to nominate on behalf of Council, those from this Council area who come through the appointment process.

It was proposed by Councillor Finlay, seconded by Councillor Atkinson and **AGREED:**

that the appointment panel be given delegated authority to nominate those from this Council area who successfully come through the appointment process.

12.2 Waste Transfer Station at Crosstagherty site

Council has given authority that a select list of applications from contractors in respect of the repair of the station be invited for consideration by Council's consultant. The Director of Borough Services advised that advertisements were placed on 10th January and 26 Companies requested the documentation. At the deadline for the return, four responses were received. These were opened by the Director and the Chair of Leisure & Amenities Committee and were sent to Council's Consultant for report. The four Companies are:

- JS Dunlop Limited
- Barrowhaven Construction
- Gilmore Engineering
- JFC Construction

The Director of Borough Services **recommended** that all four Companies be invited to submit tenders for the work required at the waste transfer station at Crosstagherty site.

It was proposed by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Councillor Atkinson and **AGREED:**

that the four Companies, as set out above, be invited to submit tenders for the work required at the waste transfer station at Crosstagherty site.

12.3 Adoption of Minutes

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

that the minutes of Meeting No 377 – 24th January 2012, as circulated be approved and the recommendations therein approved.

955.13 MINUTES OF CORPORATE & CENTRAL SERVICES MEETING NO 401 – 23RD JANUARY 2012

Alderman Cousley presented the report.

13.1 Adoption of Minutes

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

that the minutes of Meeting No 401 – 23^d January 2012, as circulated be adopted and the recommendations therein approved.

13.2 NILGA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Alderman Connolly, Councillor Cavlan and Councillor Atkinson have submitted a request to attend NILGA's Annual Conference which is being held on Thursday 23rd February at the Hilton Hotel, Templepatrick at a cost of £105.00 plus VAT per person.

It is ***recommended*** that Alderman Connolly, Councillor Cavlan and Councillor Atkinson be authorised to attend the Conference.

It was proposed by Alderman Kennedy, seconded by Councillor McKeown and **AGREED:**

that Alderman Connolly, Councillor Atkinson & Councillor Cavlan be authorised to attend the NILGA Conference on 23^d February.

955.14 NOTICE OF MOTION

The Mayor referred to Section 6 of standing orders which contains the rules for dealing with motions. Section 6.4 states:

"If the subject matter of any motion of which notice has been given comes within the province of any committee it shall, upon being moved and seconded, stand referred without discussion to that committee, ...". Accordingly, if the motion is moved and seconded it will be put on the agenda of the Corporate & Central Services Committee meeting on 27th February, 2012.

Councillor McAfee proposed the motion as follows, in respect of which notice had been given and as set out on the agenda.

"That Council change its rules on the use of the Council Chamber to permit the Compass Shadow Council to hold their meetings there, showing support for local democracy and true leadership like our neighbouring Councils of Coleraine and Moyle."

The motion was seconded by Councillor Finlay and stands referred to the Corporate & Central Services Committee on 27th February 2012.

955.15 SEAL DOCUMENTS

It was proposed by Alderman Kennedy, seconded by Councillor Atkinson and **AGREED:**

that the Seal of Council be affixed to Grave Registration Certificate numbers 1274, 1276, 1277, 1278 (Ballymoney Cemetery) and 0018 and 0017 (Rasharkin Cemetery).

955.16 ANNUAL TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY OF GOODS AND SERVICES 2012/2013

The Director of Central & Leisure Services advised that tenders for the supply of a range of Goods and Services were publicly advertised week commencing 2nd January 2012 with a closing date of 27th January 2012. 36 tenders have been received.

It is recommended that approval be given to have the tenders opened by the Chair of the Corporate & Central Services Committee and the Head of Finance & IT.

A report with recommendations will be tabled at the February meeting of the Corporate & Central Services Committee.

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

that approval be given to have the tenders opened by the Chair of the Corporate & Central Services Committee and the Head of Finance & IT.

- * **The Director of Borough Services and the Director of Central & Leisure Services left the meeting at 7.45 pm.**

955.17 STREAMLINED CONSULTATION SCHEME

The Department of Environment Minister, Alex Attwood MLA, recently wrote to Council seeking support in extending the scope of the joint Streamlined Consultation Scheme as part of ongoing capacity building measures. Streamlined approvals issue on average within about 50 working days significantly quicker than non-streamlined applications.

The Minister wants to see the very real benefits of the Scheme maximised and following discussions at the Planning Forum a sub group was established with representatives from key stakeholders to consider the scope of extending the Streamlined Scheme. The sub group carefully considered all the options and subsequently recommended to the Minister that the scope of the existing scheme should be extended to include:

- 1) all minor and immediate applications;
- 2) housing applications up to a maximum of 25 units; and
- 3) office accommodation up to a maximum of 200 sq metres

The Minister accepted the Forum sub group recommendations which will result in about 75% of all planning applications being streamlined.

In order to help improve efficiencies and build on working relationships between the Department and Council the local area office planning manager will arrange to meet with the Consultation Committee to explain the Streamlined proposals and discuss opportunities for Council to become involved in more strategic planning

issues including spatial planning and major planning applications which would have a strategic impact on the local area.

The objective is to assist with building capacity between the Council, councillors and departmental planning officials in the move towards reform of Local Government. The existing deferral procedures could also be discussed at the meeting if Council wishes.

955.18 REVIEW OF POLICE BUILDINGS (PSNI)

The Police Service of Northern Ireland is carrying out a major review of police buildings across H District, which includes Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine, Larne and Moyle. As part of that review H District Commander has been looking closely at all the stations in the District, to ensure the PSNI is using all of its resources, including buildings, in the most effective and efficient way for the people of Northern Ireland. The stations are being reviewed are Broughshane, Bushmills, Cloughmills, Cushendall, Glenarm, Garvagh, Portglenone and Portrush. Similar reviews are being conducted across every District in Northern Ireland.

In Northern Ireland there is a pattern of police stations that is unlike any other part of the United Kingdom. The current police estate is 70% bigger than other UK police services of comparable size and is based on the demands of a different era in policing. PSNI wants policing to be a part of the local community and at its core this is about police officers and staff being present and working in the local community, underused buildings will not achieve this. The Neighbourhood Policing Teams are working with local communities, identifying and working to resolve the issues which matter the most to local people. Overall levels of reported crime in Northern Ireland are at a 12 year low. This reduction has been delivered by the public working in partnership with police officers out in their areas and neighbourhoods, not within police stations.

The Police Service is increasingly communicating and engaging with the public in different ways – from online reporting of non-emergency and hate crime, to interacting with local police on our Facebook pages or contacting local Neighbourhood Policing Teams directly through telephone numbers provided on its website. As a result fewer people are visiting or using police stations. The introduction of Blackberry smartphones now distributed to over 4,000 frontline police officers has also reduced the need for officers to return to the police station to complete administrative tasks. This has already increased the amount of patrol time per officer per shift by over 15% - meaning an extra hour per officer, per shift is spent on the street, in the community they serve.

As with all other UK police services and publicly funded bodies, the PSNI has undertaken to deliver significant efficiency savings back to the government over the next four years. As part of the plan submitted to the Northern Ireland Policing Board £135 million in savings, including a £2.2 million saving in the estate baseline budget in order to protect frontline staff and services must be delivered. PSNI cannot continue to fund the current size of the police estate whilst maintaining expenditure elsewhere – within H District over 90 pence in every pound spend is spent on Police Officers and Staff.

Whilst no decisions have been made, it is inevitable that there will be some closure recommendations. H District command team are committed to listening to

people in the communities they serve and a decision to recommend the closure of a station is not taken lightly. It is understood some may take comfort in having a police station nearby; however, modern policing has to be about people and not buildings.

PSNI wants to have a constructive debate with communities in H district about a practical way forward, discussing how policing is currently delivered and how it would continue to be delivered if police stations are closed. This may include discussions around sharing other agencies premises, police 'shops' on the high street, police kiosks and the increased use of mobile police stations, all of which bring policing right to the heart of communities where it is needed.

A consultation process commenced on 30th January and will continue for six weeks. Public meetings will be held during this time and details of these will be published on PSNI website and local press. Senior officers will be present at the meetings to discuss the review and hear local comments.

Members of the public will also be able to submit their views by emailing HDistrictConsultation@psni.pnn.police.uk or by writing to Chief Superintendent Chris Noble, H District Commander at PSNI Ballymena.

H District Commander wants to encourage everyone with an interest in policing to participate in the debate and he has asked Area Commanders to encourage this by leading on the local consultation process.

955.19 ROAD SERVICE LICENCE APPLICATION

The Driver & Vehicle Licensing Agency has given notice of an application to renew a road service licence – Sean Hughes T/A Frontier Bus Hire, 8 Aghadavoyle Road, Jonesborough, Newry BT35 8JJ. The licence details and services have not changed from the previous licence. Any representations regarding these applications should be forwarded before 8th February 2012.

No comments were offered.

955.20 NOMINATION – RESERVE FORCES & CADETS ASSOCIATION

Council is asked to note that Alderman Cousley, the Council's nominee, appointed at the AGM, is not able to attend meetings and Councillor Finlay has been nominated to take this position.

955.21 LIBRARIES NI – BALLYMONEY LIBRARY REVISED OPENING HOURS

The decision taken by the Board of Libraries NI to implement revised opening hours in Ballymoney Library with effect from June 2012 has caused considerable concern in the local area. Having regard to reports in the local newspaper, this matter is to be raised at a Council Committee meeting. The Chief Executive of Libraries NI has written to clarify the rationale for the Board's decision relating to Ballymoney Library.

Since its establishment, Libraries NI has recognised the need to review the opening hours of all libraries in order to harmonise the opening hours inherited

from the 5 Education and Library Boards and ensure a consistent and equitable approach across Northern Ireland. The range of opening hours inherited from the Education and Library Boards varied considerably with libraries serving similar sized populations and carrying out similar levels of business opening for very different hours. It had been the Board's hope that, in harmonising opening hours, it would have been possible to increase the existing levels, but the Budget 2010 process and the significant reduction in the Libraries NI budget transformed the opening hours into a process designed primarily to deliver substantial savings, while ensuring equity.

In developing proposals for the revised opening hours the Board applied the following principles:

- the proposals must deliver the required level of service
- there should be consistency of approach
- the available hours should be used in the way that best meets customer need
- opening hours should relate to the historic level of use in a library
- the opening hours should be sustainable i.e. ad hoc closures due to staffing shortages should be avoided other than in the most exceptional circumstances.

Initially libraries were grouped in 4 Bands based on local activity level (i.e. a combination of active members, issues, public access computer use and visits) in 2010/11, as shown in the table below.

Band	Total Activity Level	Hours per week
1	>280k	57
2	100k – 280k	40
3	80k – 100k	30
4	<100k	18

As a result of additional funding provided by the Minister of Culture, Arts & Leisure which eased, but did not eliminate, the need for financial savings, the Board was able to reconsider the initial proposals, taking account of the comments received during the public consultation process, while adhering to the principles established at the outset of the process. Accordingly the Board determined that there should be 6 Bands, again based on total activity level in 2010/11. The 6 Bands are shown below.

Band	Total Activity Level	Hours per week
1	>230k	57
2	175k – 225k	48
3	80k – 150k	40
4	60k – 72k	30
5	50k – 60k	25
6	>50k	18

The total activity level in Ballymoney Library in 2010/11 was 137,530 placing it in Band 3. As such it is in the same Band as other libraries with similar total activity levels including libraries serving similar sized, or indeed larger populations (e.g. Ballyclare and Newtownards). A spreadsheet with information on each of the libraries in the review is available from the Office of the Chief Executive.

The decision regarding Ballymoney does mean that the opening hours will be reduced from 57 hours per week to 40 hours per week with effect from June 2012. In order to ensure that the available hours best meet the needs of users, there will now be engagement with users to determine their preferred pattern of opening hours, including provision outside the normal working day and on Saturdays. It is also expected that the library will continue to run a full programme of activities and events.

In coming to its decision on opening hours, the Board of Libraries NI was conscious of the impact on some libraries such as Ballymoney which, historically, had long opening hours compared to other similar libraries across Northern Ireland. However, it was of the view that the approach adopted ensured that all libraries were treated in a consistent and equitable manner, in difficult financial circumstances.

The Board of Libraries NI regrets having to reduce the opening hours of Ballymoney Library and the Chief Executive assures Council that the Board appreciates the value placed on the library by the Council and the users and would wish to work with Council and users to ensure that the library continues to provide a valuable service in the community.

Councillor Robinson said that arising from media coverage she had asked the Chief Executive of the Board of Libraries NI to write to the Chief Executive to clarify the position.

955.22 TIDY NI – COMMUNITY PRIDE

Tidy NI has written about the desire of citizens to get Northern Ireland working and tackle issues affecting their quality of life. There is need to generate renewed community PRIDE in our wonderful country, not a culturally divisive PRIDE but a community and strengthening PRIDE.

NI dumps an alarming volume of ‘rubbish’ on roads, footpaths, scenic places and coastlines and it costs £34 million per annum to clear just some of it up. Nearly 50% of our population believes it is OK to chuck fast food cartons from a car window because it is the Council’s and others job to pick it up! This litter and untidiness causes negativity to inward investment and tourism, the best ways to generate added value and jobs.

TIDY Northern Ireland is developing a Northern Ireland wide campaign in partnership with government to turn the tide. To stop the rubbishing of our country, change attitudes and generate individual, community and country wide PRIDE in our wonderful heritage.

TIDY NI is asking for strong political support for this non-contentious campaign: DON’T RUBBISH NORTHERN IRELAND.

Council is invited to sign the campaign card and demonstrate that it is supportive of the campaign.

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

that Council signs the campaign card and demonstrates its support for the campaign.

955.23 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT – STAKEHOLDER ROADSHOWS

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD) will be holding Stakeholder Road shows throughout Northern Ireland during February and March 2012 including one in Millennium Centre, Loughgiel on Tuesday 13th March.

The Road show will start with a Keynote Address at 8.00pm (doors open at 7.30pm) and will end at 9.15pm. The event will provide an opportunity to ask questions of and give views directly to officials who are attending on topics including, CAP reform, the development of a Rural Development Programme 2014-2020 and EU compliance.

Members wishing to register for the roads show should contact the Office of the Chief Executive (Jean 028 2766 0201).

955.24 PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS: MEMBERS – HEALTH AND SAFETY EXECUTIVE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND (HSENI)

The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment is intending to seek the Minister's approval to appoint up to five new Board members to the Health & Safety Executive from 1st October 2012.

DETI is giving Council the opportunity to suggest the names of individuals suitable and willing to serve as a member of the Board.

Those who wish to register an interest with the Public Appointments Unit can email paul@detini.gov.uk. An application pack will issue on the day the vacancies are publically advertised. Council will be advised when the vacancies appear in the press. Members interested should contact the Office of the Chief Executive (Jean 028 2766 0201).

955.25 GREEN NEW DEAL AND THE PfG

Green New Deal Group (NI) has forwarded a draft response to the draft Programme for Government. The Green New Deal is not mentioned in the draft Programme despite support from all parties in the Executive.

The Green New Deal wants to build on the new power that District Councils have to promote energy efficiency in domestic housing (including the power to make grants and loans) under Section 23 of the Housing (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 2012. Councils will be invited to propose neighbourhoods for Green New Deal projects and to form partnerships with Green New Deal 'Providers' selected through a procurement process.

The Group is calling on Ministers to make a firm policy commitment to the Green New Deal, to include it in the Programme for Government and to allocate resources to enable the scheme to progress. We would very much appreciate it if you could join us in that call.

A copy of the response was circulated. Council is invited to lend its support to Green New Deal representations to Ministers to make a firm policy commitment to the Green New Deal and to allocate resources to enable the scheme to progress.

The correspondence was noted.

955.26 NI WATER – SALE OF SURPLUS NI WATER DEPOTS

NI Water is obliged to limit its land and property holdings to the minimum required to provide current and future water and wastewater services. Sites which have been identified as surplus to requirements are therefore considered for disposal on the open market.

As part of the process Council is advised that the NI Water local depot owned by NI Water and located within your Council area is to be placed on the open market in the near future. The depot is deemed surplus to requirements.

955.27 REPORTS

The Chief Executive referred to the schedule of reports received, copy circulated, which are available from the Office of the Chief Executive.

955.28 NILGA REPORTS & UPDATES

The Chief Executive referred to the schedule of reports received, copy circulated, which are available from the Office of the Chief Executive. Councillor Robinson was pleased to note members' interest in attending the NILGA Annual conference and stated part of her presidential responsibilities is to encourage new members of Council. When the commissioned report becomes available, she will pass on to Council.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Appendices attached:
Milk Cup 2012 Economic Impact Presentation

APPENDIX 1



Northern Ireland Milk
Cup Economic Impact