

**Ballymoney Borough Council**  
**Leisure and Amenities Committee Meeting No: 315 – 21<sup>st</sup> March 2006**  
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authorise Committee Chair or Vice-Chair, together with the Director of Health & Environmental Services or his nominee, to open tenders received and report to Committee and Council.

**315.10 Possible Play Area at Druckendult – *write to Druckendult & District Community Association.***

**315.11 Best Kept Awards - *nominate Ballymoney together with Balnamore, Cloughmills, Dervock, Dunloy, Loughgiel, Rasharkin and Stranocum, paying the appropriate entry fees and pay the Councils affiliation fee of £750 to Northern Ireland Amenity Council.***

**315.12 Ballymoney Cemetery – *approve memorials.***

**315.13 Note the success of Drumaheglis Marina and Caravan Park – *not only chosen by the prestigious magazine as one of its TOP 100 PARKS but also judged REGIONAL WINNER 2006.***

**315.14 Irish Power Lifting Championship – *contribute £200 towards running costs.***

[This summary of recommendations has been provided to assist Members. The text is neither comprehensive nor definitive and ought to be considered as such.]

**Ballymoney Borough Council****Leisure and Amenities Committee Meeting No. 315**

**Minutes of Meeting No. 315 held in the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre, Ballymoney on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2006 at 7.30 pm.**

**IN THE CHAIR:** Alderman F. Campbell

**PRESENT**

**Aldermen**  
H. Connolly  
C. Cousley

**Councillors**  
I. Stevenson  
R. Wilson  
J. Finlay  
A. Patterson  
M. McCamphill  
E. Robinson

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Director of Financial & Administrative Services  
[Items 1-7]  
Director of Health & Environmental Services  
[Items 4-11]  
Administrative Assistant  
Cultural Services Officer  
Items 1 - 7  
Museum Manager  
Item 315.2

**315.1 MINUTES – MEETING NO. 314 – 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2006**

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

**that the minutes of the committee's last meeting No. 314, on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2006, as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.**

\* **Councillor Finlay left the meeting at 7:45 pm**

**315.2 BALLYMONEY MUSEUM – CONCEPT DESIGN**

The Director of Financial and Administrative Services reported that Haley Sharpe Design had presented the proposed concept design to the project management team on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2006. The project management team had then agreed that the full presentation should be made to the Leisure and Amenities Committee. The Museum Manager presented to the Committee the proposed concept design for the Museum produced by Haley Sharpe Design.

Following the presentation the Museum Manager and the Director responded to questions regarding the story lines, use of artefacts and the timescale for completion of the project.

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

***to recommend that Council approve the proposed concept design for the Museum.***

The Chairman then thanked the Museum Manager for the presentation and he left the meeting.

### **315.3 BALLYMONEY ORNITHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION**

The Director of Financial and Administrative Services reported that the Secretary of the Ballymoney Ornithological Association had written to Council requesting financial support for their open show to be held on 10th & 11th November 2006. This is one of the largest Open Shows in Northern Ireland attracting approximately 1100 exhibits, with exhibitors coming from all over Northern Ireland and the South of Ireland.

The 2005 Show was banned due to the introduction of restrictions issued by the Department of Agriculture.

The letter also includes an invitation to a representative of the Council to attend the 2006 Show.

The Director advised that Council had supported the Show in previous years.

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

***to recommend that Council make a contribution of £200 to the Ballymoney Ornithological Association.***

### **315.4 RIVERSIDE THEATRE – REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

The Director of Financial and Administrative Services reported that the Artistic Director of the Riverside Theatre had written to Council requesting that consideration be given to contributing £1000 to the theatre's activities.

The theatre has increased its productions from 18 per season in 2002 to around 45 per season currently and also has more workshops, children's activities and learning and participation activities. At the end of the 2005 autumn season there had been an increase in attendance to the theatre, reflected evenly across the three boroughs of Ballymoney, Limavady and Coleraine.

All of Northern Ireland's regional theatres are facing a 50% cut in Arts Council funding, Riverside amongst them.

The Council last made a contribution to the Riverside Theatre in 2002/2003.

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

***to recommend that Council make a contribution of £250 to the Riverside Theatre and that this should be acknowledged in any promotional material.***

### **315.5 COMMUNITY RELATIONS GRANT AID PROGRAMME**

The Director of Financial and Administrative Services informed the meeting that the guidance notes, application form and monitoring form used for the Community Relations Grant Aid Programme had been revised. The documents were sent to the Community Relations Unit for comment and some changes were made to the guidance notes and application form as requested by the Community Relations Unit. Members received copies of the revised documents.

The Director highlighted to members the proposed changes.

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

***to recommend to Council to accept the revised draft documents to be used for the Community Relations Grant Aid Programme.***

\* Councillor Cousley arrived during this discussion at 8.30 pm

### **315.6 DRAFT COMMUNITY RELATIONS BUDGET 2006/2007**

The Director of Financial and Administrative Services reported that the Draft Community Relations Budget for 2006/2007 circulated has to be submitted to the Community Relations Unit for offer of grant.

After discussion in the various expenditure items it was proposed by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Alderman Connolly and **AGREED:**

***to recommend to Council that the Draft Community Relations Budget for 2006/2007 be submitted to the Community Relations Unit for grant purposes.***

### **315.7 COMMUNITY RELATIONS GRANT**

The following applications for grants were considered:

7.1 Bendooragh and District Community Association for assistance with a celebration of Ulster Scots Culture. Amount requested £200.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £200 to Bendooragh and District Community Association for assistance with a celebration of Ulster Scots Culture.***

- 7.2 Dervock and District Community Association for assistance with computer classes. Amount requested £200.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £200 to Dervock and District Community Association for assistance with computer classes.***

- 7.3 Rasharkin Women's Group for assistance with computer, essential skills and art and craft classes. Amount requested £200.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £200 to Rasharkin Women's Group for assistance with computer classes.***

- 7.4 Drumaheglis Junior LOL 99 for assistance with an historical field trip to Londonderry. Amount requested £300.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £200 to Drumaheglis Junior LOL 99 for assistance with an historical field trip to Londonderry.***

- 7.5 Drumaheglis Junior LOL 99 for assistance with the provision of new equipment. Amount requested £249.99.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £100 to Drumaheglis Junior LOL 99 from the Community Support Fund for the provision of new equipment.***

- 7.6 Lower Bann Valley Ulster Scots Society for a seeding grant.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £250 to Lower Bann Valley Ulster Scots for a seeding grant.***

- 7.7 Lower Bann Valley Ulster Scots Society for assistance with a community festival. Amount requested £350.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £350 to Lower Bann Valley Ulster Scots for assistance with a community festival.***

- 7.8 1<sup>st</sup> Rasharkin Boys Brigade for assistance with their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations. Amount requested £300.

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

***to recommend to Council the application is not supported.***

- 7.9 Rasharkin Community Association for assistance with a cross community social evening. Amount requested £100.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £100 to Rasharkin Community Association for assistance with a cross community evening.***

- 7.10 St Anne's Primary School Parent Teacher Association for assistance with a cookery presentation. Amount requested £300.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £100 to St Anne's Primary School Parents Teachers Association from the Community Support Fund for assistance with a cookery presentation.***

- 7.11 Drumaheglis Junior LOL 99 for assistance with a workshop and activity day.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £200 to Drumaheglis Junior LOL 99 for assistance with a workshop and activity day.***

- 7.12 Rasharkin LOL 694 for assistance with an education trip.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £200 to Rasharkin LOL 694 for assistance with an educational trip.***

- 7.13 Druckendult Community Association for assistance with Community Festival from 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May 2006. Amount requested £350

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £350 to Druckendult Community Association for assistance with a Community Festival from 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May 2006.***

**315.8 COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANT**Declaration  
of Interest**Councillor Stevenson declared an interest in this item and left the room.**

8.1 Dunloy LOL 496 for assistance with an educational trip under the Community Support Grant. Amount requested £400.

It was proposed by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Wilson and **AGREED:*****to recommend that Council contribute £100 through the Community Support Grant for assistance with an educational trip.*****Councillor Stevenson re-entered the meeting.****\* Councillor Wilson left the meeting at 9:30 pm****315.9 2006 – 2007 BUDGETED PROJECTS**

The Director for Health and Environmental Services recommended that the undernoted projects, which Council has budgeted for in 2006-2007, be commenced –

1. Sports Stadium PA System
2. Riada Playing Fields – Provision of two Sand Mattress Pitches
3. Replacement Changing Rooms – Dunaghy
4. Play Area Upgrade – Balnamore, Magherahoney, Rockend.

(The above 4 projects are to be progressed by firstly securing individual select lists and then tendering the work to be undertaken.)

5. Knock Road Depot – Two replacement Roofs  
(This project to be progressed by inviting tenders)

The Director of Health and Environmental Services gave details of the proposed project timelines and intimated that work was ongoing with the Council's architect to see if 2 replacement changing blocks could be provided within the budget set by Council.

He also recommended that Council invite tenders for a grounds maintenance vehicle, also allowed for in the 2006 – 2007 budget, namely a 3.5t GVW, 5.5t GRW beaver-tail vehicle having a payload of 1100kgs on a 4.0m body (including ramp).

He further recommended that the Committee Chair or Vice-Chair, together with the Director of Health and Environmental Services or his nominee, be authorised to open tenders received for report to Committee and Council.

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



***to recommend to Council that tenders be invited and that the authority sought to open same be given.***

### **315.10 POSSIBLE PLAY AREA AT DRUCKENDULT**

The Director of Health and Environmental Services explained that Druckendult and District Community Association had written to Council via Alderman Campbell asking for the provision of a play area, pointing out that there was privately owned ground at the top of Drumdult Park which may be available. He advised Committee that in acknowledging the letter, the Chairperson had been advised "that the budget the Council set for its next financial year, that commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006, does not make any provision for a new play area or indeed for the purchase of land". Members agreed that the Director should ascertain whether land would be available prior to the 2007-2008 budgetary round. Councillor Robinson suggested North Antrim Rural Community Network with reference to funding

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

***to recommend to Council that Druckendult and District Community Association be advised as to the Councils position and encouraged to make use of NARCN regarding funding.***

### **315.11 BEST KEPT AWARDS**

The Director of Health and Environmental Services reported that the Northern Ireland Amenity Council had written requesting entries for its 2006 Best Kept Awards for Towns and Villages within the Borough. He advised that in 2005 Council made the following nominations:-

Town	Ballymoney
Villages	Balnamore, Cloughmills, Dervock, Dunloy, Loughgiel, Rasharkin, and Stranocum.

He further advised that the Northern Ireland Amenity Council has also requested payment of an affiliation fee of £750.

Members discussed their sounding out of other community associations regarding their willingness to take part. The Director advised that the closing date for entries was 24<sup>th</sup> April.

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

***to recommend to Council to that it pay the affiliation fee of £750 to the NI Amenity Council and that it again nominate the above Town and Villages for 2006 paying the appropriate entry fees.***

**315.12 BALLYMONEY CEMETERY MEMORIALS**

Applications have been received, as undernoted, for the erection of memorials in Ballymoney Cemetery -

**Section I2 No. 95**

Dr W.A. McCartney, 50 Semicock Road, Ballymoney  
All Polished South African Granite Headstone and Base

**Section I2 No. 74**

Mr Thomas King, 10 Knock Eden Avenue, Ballymoney  
Ruby Red Granite Headstone and Base

**Section 6 No. 143**

Ms Kathleen Dougan, Flat D, 57 Randolph Avenue, London, W9 1BQ  
Replacement Granite Memorial and Surround.

It was proposed by Councillor Stevenson, 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.***

**315.13 PRACTICAL CARAVAN AWARD**

The Director for Health and Environmental Services reported that its Drumaheglis Marina and Caravan Park is not only regarded by the prestigious magazine Practical Caravan as one of its TOP 100 PARKS but the Council's facility has been judged REGIONAL WINNER 2006.

Members expressed their delight at this tremendous achievement.

**315.14 IRISH POWER LIFTING CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Chairman reported that he had received a request for financial support towards the running costs of staging the Irish Power Lifting Championships at the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre.

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

***to recommend that Council contribute £200 towards funding the Championship.***

The meeting closed at 10:30 pm.





