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**BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Leisure & Amenities Committee Meeting No 368 held in the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre, on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 7.00pm.

**IN THE CHAIR:** I Stevenson

**PRESENT:** **Aldermen**  
F Campbell  
H Connolly  
C Cousley, MBE, Deputy Mayor  
J Simpson

**Councillors:**  
A Cavlan  
J Finlay  
M McCamphill  
A Patterson  
E Robinson  
RT Halliday

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Director of Borough Services [Item 1-3]  
Director of Central and Leisure Services [Item 4- 9]

**368.1 MINUTES MEETING 367 – 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2009**

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

*that the minutes of meeting No 367 – 15<sup>th</sup> December 2009, as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.*

**Matters Arising (Amenities)****1.1 Lough Neagh & Lower Bann Advisory Committees (367.15)**

The Director advised that in response to letters sent on the Council's behalf to both the DCAL and DoE Ministers, correspondence had now been received from DCAL and NIEA [on behalf of the DoE Minister] confirming their respective position that neither would be in a position to continue to fund the Advisory Committees beyond 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010. In response to a query from Alderman Simpson, the Director advised that he would make a copy of the correspondence available to the Office of the Chief Executive for members' attention.

- \* Alderman Campbell arrived at the meeting at 7.01pm.
- \* Councillor Patterson arrived at the meeting at 7.01pm.
- \* Alderman Cousley arrived at 7.10pm
- \* Councillor Finlay arrived at the meeting at 7.10pm.

## AMENITIES

### 368.2 BALLYMONEY CEMETERY MEMORIAL

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

#### **Section 4 No. 105**

Mrs E Loudon, 31 Townhead Street, Ballymoney  
All Polished Black Granite Headstone and Base

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

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

***to recommend that Council grant permission to the above applicant to erect a memorial in Ballymoney Cemetery, subject to usual requirements.***

### 368.3 CLOUGHMILLS PROJECT

Councillor McCamphill queried the present situation regarding the Community Action Team's proposal in respect of the Council's land at Strand Park, Cloughmills. The Director advised members as to the position as he understood it. During the ensuing discussion Councillor Finlay again raised concerns about the location and the anti social behaviour which continued to take place there.

### 368.4 SIGNAGE

Alderman Connolly asked about the position concerning road name signage missing at the pedestrian entrance to Loughgiel Chapel which he had drawn to the attention of the Head of Amenities some time ago. The Director undertook to look into the matter and report back to the Member concerning the query raised.

- \* Director of Borough Services left the meeting at 7.28pm.
- \* Director of Central and Leisure Services arrived at the meeting at 7.30pm.

## LEISURE SERVICES

### 368.5 MARY PETERS TRUST – REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Dame Mary Peters, President of the Mary Peters Trust (previously the Ulster Sports Trust) has written to the Council seeking financial support in 2010/11 towards the Trusts sporting awards programme. In 2009 the Trust awarded over £56,000 to 175 young people representing over 30 sports. Awards were made to a young person who resides in the borough.

Committee is asked to consider the request.

The Director advised members that Ballymoney Sports Advisory Committee gave grants to local sporting athletes in the borough.

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

***to recommend that Council note the request from Dame Mary Peters, President of the Mary Peters Trust seeking financial support in 2010/11 towards the Trusts sporting awards programme.***

### 368.6 BALLYMONEY AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB

The Chairman of the Ballymoney Amateur Swimming Club has written to the Council advising of the clubs plans to hold a fund-raising Gala dinner in the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2010 and are seeking permission to have an occasional bar licence for the event.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT** Council grant permission.

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

***to recommend that Council grant Ballymoney Amateur Swimming Club permission to seek a bar licence for their fund-raising Gala dinner, to be held in the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre, on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2010.***

\* Alderman Connolly left the meeting at 8.05pm.

### 368.7 GOOD RELATIONS GRANTS

The following applications for grants were considered –

- (i) Bushside Independent Flute Band for assistance towards a St. Patrick's Night event of music, song and dance. Amount requested £285.00
- (ii) Stranocum Ulster Scots Cultural & Heritage Society for assistance towards an Alternative St. Patrick's Night event of music, dance, song and poetry. Amount requested £350.00

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT** the 2 groups are granted the amounts requested.

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

***to recommend that Council grant £285 to Bushside Independent Flute Band for assistance towards a St. Patrick's Night event of music, song and dance and £350 to Stranocum Ulster Scots Cultural & Heritage Society for assistance towards an Alternative St. Patrick's Night event of music, dance, song and poetry.***

### **368.8 BALLYMONEY MUSEUM – EXHIBITION PROGRAMME**

The Exhibition Programme for the Museum for February to December 2010 was circulated.

### **368.9 A HISTORY OF THE WORLD: DERRYKEIGHAN STONE**

The Director informed members that The Derrykeighan Stone has been selected to appear in 'A History of the World' project. She advised that a 'History of the World' is a partnership between the BBC, the British Museum and museums in Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The project celebrates objects that have a story to tell. The Derrykeighan Stone has been selected as one of the top 25 objects in Northern Ireland. The objects will be featured in BBC television programmes.

### **368.10 GOOD RELATIONS GRANT SCHEME**

The Director reminded members that the 1<sup>st</sup> open call for applications for the Good Relations Grant Scheme was due to be advertised in January 2010.

She advised members that a number of groups were enquiring if there would be the Community Festival fund grant scheme in 2010/11 and that she had informed them that this would not be known until the Council had set the rates and agreed the budgets for 2010/11 around mid February.

Councillor McCamphill suggested that the advertising date be changed to after the rates were set.

The Director agreed to look at revised dates for the 1<sup>st</sup> open call for applications and report to the next committee meeting.

\* **Alderman Simpson left the meeting at 8.15pm during consideration of the above matter.**

**This being all the business the meeting closed at 9.05pm.**