

BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Leisure & Amenities Committee Meeting No 353 – 21st November 2008

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BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of Leisure & Amenities Committee Meeting No. 353 held in the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre on Friday 21st November 2008 at 10.30am.

IN THE CHAIR: F Campbell

PRESENT: **Alderman**
H Connolly
J Simpson
C Cousley, Deputy Mayor

Councillors
A Patterson
E Robinson
I Stevenson

APOLOGIES M McCamphill
J Finlay, Mayor

IN ATTENDANCE T Skelton] Item 1 Representatives from Ballymoney
R Gormley] Sports Advisory Committee
Director of Central & Leisure Services
Committee Clerk

LEISURE

353.1 BALLYMONEY SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Chairman welcomed representatives of the Ballymoney Sports Advisory Committee, Mr Thomas Skelton and Mr Richard Gormley and invited them to make their presentation. Mr Skelton thanked members for the opportunity to give their annual report (attached as Appendix 1) and in conclusion answered members' questions.

Alderman Connolly paid tribute to Mr Thomas Skelton, Richard Gormley and John Faul for the amount of work they do on behalf of the Sports Advisory Committee and in particular the Sports Awards' event.

Before he left the meeting Councillor Robinson congratulated Mr Skelton and Dalriada High School on being awarded the Sunday Times Northern Ireland School of The Year. Other members also congratulated Dalriada High School on its award.

* **Representatives from Ballymoney Sports Advisory Committee left the meeting at 11.10am.**

* **Alderman Simpson arrived during this item of business at 10.45am.**

353.2 JOEY DUNLOP LEISURE CENTRE – CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR OPENING TIMES

It is recommended for economic reasons that the Opening Times of the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre over the Christmas and New Year Period are as follows

Wednesday 24 th December 2008	close at 12.00 Noon
Thursday 25 th December 2008	closed
Friday 26 th December 2008	closed
Saturday 27 th December 2008	closed
Sunday 28 th December 2008	closed
Monday 29 th December 2008	open as normal
Tuesday 30 th December 2008	open as normal
Wednesday 31 st December 2008	close at 5.30pm
Thursday 1 st January 2009	closed
Friday 2 nd January 2009	open as normal

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

to recommend that the revised opening times as detailed above, of the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre over the Christmas 2008 and New Year 2009 Period, be adopted.

353.3 LEISURE SERVICES – CAPITAL PROJECTS 2008/09 UPDATE

The Director advised that all the undernoted projects have commenced and the expected completion dates are as listed beside each project.

Museum Project Fit-out	May 2009
Sports Halls Floors	December 2008
PA System	January 2009
Water Temperature Controls	January 2009
Bleacher Seating	December 2008
Rebound Walls	December 2008
Fencing and Gates @ JDLC	March 2009

The Director agreed to update Members on the status of the projects at the next Committee meeting in December.

353.4 JOEY DUNLOP LEISURE CENTRE - MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME

The Director advised that in order to facilitate maintenance works the following areas of the Leisure Centre will be closed as specified –

Swimming Pool & Changing Rooms – closed from 14th December
Heath Suite & Changing Rooms – closed from 15th December

In order for the capital project works to be undertaken the Sports Halls will be closed from 1st December 2008.

The Director advised that she hoped that all facilities will be open as “normal” on Monday 29th December 2008.

353.5 MUSEUM FIT – OUT – AUDIO VISUAL AND IT HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE

The Director advised that the five companies that formed the select list were invited to tender for the Audio – Visual and IT Hardware and Software. The closing date for the receipt of tenders was 13th November 2008.

Only 2 tenders were returned and these were opened by the Chair of Committee and the Director and sent to the consultants, Hayley Sharpe Design to be checked for completeness and accuracy and evaluated.

The tenders were received from Atacama, Bristol and Spiral Productions, London. The Consultant’s recommend acceptance of the most economic tender that from Atacama in the amount o £56,455. The Director advised that this price was well within the budget for the works.

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

to recommend that Council accept the tender from Atacama for the Museum Fit –Out, Audio Visual and IT hardware and software in the amount of £56,455.00.

The Director advised that she would be arranging a meeting of the Museum Working Group to discuss the progress of the contract, the opening of the exhibition and the draft Exhibition Policy.

It was **AGREED** that the date for the meeting would be fixed at the Council Meeting on 1st December.

Discussion ensued regarding the membership of the Working Group, after which, it was proposed by Councillor Robinson, seconded by Councillor Stevenson and
AGREED:

to recommend that Alderman Cousley be appointed to the Museum Working Group.

353.6 GOOD RELATIONS GRANTS

The following grants were considered:

- I. St. Joseph’s Primary School for assistance toward an EMU Project.
(Educational & Mutual Understanding)
- II. Ballymoney Community Resource Centre for assistance towards Restorative Justice Conference.
- III. WAVE Trauma Centre for assistance towards an “Unheard Voices” media production

IV. Rasharkin Women's Group for assistance towards a "Dialogue Programme".

V. Cloughmills Primary School for assistance towards a Joint Carol Service.

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

to recommend that Council grant £350.00 each to (i) St. Joseph's Primary School for assistance toward an EMU Project, (ii) Ballymoney Community Resource Centre for assistance towards Restorative Justice Conference, (iii) WAVE Trauma Centre for assistance towards an "Unheard Voices" media production, (iv) Rasharkin Women's Group for assistance towards a "Dialogue Programme" and (v) Cloughmills Primary School for assistance towards a Joint Carol Service.

353.7 COMMUNITY SUPPORTS GRANTS

The Director advised that the annual grants budget is £5,000 and to date £3,100 has been awarded.

The following grants were considered.

- I. Ballybogey 50+ Club for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner.
- II. The Autumn Leaf Club for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner.
- III. Carnary Mature Citizens Group for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner.
- IV. Cloughmills Boys' & Girls' Football Club for assistance towards a Christmas Party.
- V. Royal British Legion – Women's Branch for assistance towards a Christmas Shopping Trip.
- VI. Northern Ireland Glosters Canary Club for assistance towards new equipment.
- VII. Cloughmills Community Action Team for assistance a Christmas Fayre.
- VIII. Bushvale Senior Citizen Group for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner.
- IX. Rasharkin & District Senior Citizens for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner.
- X. The Mill Youth Club for assistance towards a Cross Community Disco.
- XI. Stranocum & District Community Association for assistance towards a Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner.
- XII. Rasharkin Women's Group for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner.

- XIII. Druckendult & District Community Association for assistance towards a Christmas Shopping Trip.

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

to recommend that Council grant £100 each to (i) Ballybogey 50+ Club for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner, (ii) The Autumn Leaf Club for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner, (iii) Carnany Mature Citizens Group for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner, (iv) Cloughmills Boys & Girls Football Club for assistance towards a Christmas Party, (v) Royal British Legion – Women’s Branch for assistance towards a Christmas Shopping Trip, (vi) Northern Ireland Closters Carnany Club for assistance towards new equipment, (vii) Cloughmills Community Action Team for assistance a Christmas Fayre, (viii) Bushvale Senior Citizen Group for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner, (ix) Rasharkin & District Senior Citizens for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner, (x) The Mill Youth Club for assistance towards a Cross Community Disco, (xi) Stranocum & District Community Association for assistance towards a Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner, (xii) Rasharkin Women’s Group for assistance towards a Christmas Dinner, (xiii) Druckendult & District Community Association for assistance towards a Christmas Shopping Trip.

353.8 ISRM LIFE GUARD CHALLENGE

The Director advised that the National Lifeguard Challenge was held in Birmingham on Saturday 1st November 2008.

There were five modules to the competition, which tested the lifeguard teams in a range of lifeguarding skills.

Teams were drawn from across the UK and Ireland. The Ballymoney team came a creditable 13th place in this year’s competition against larger teams representing major cities like Cardiff, Birmingham and Nottingham. The team would like to thank the Council for the opportunity to compete in this year’s competition as the experience and skill gained at the competition and the weeks of training before hand was a wonderful experience and a good training opportunity.

353.9 BELFAST TELEGRAPH SPORTS AWARDS 2008

The Director gave advance notice of the Belfast Telegraph Sports Awards 2008 to be held on Monday 19th January 2009 at the Ramada Hotel, Belfast. She advised that the Sports Advisory Committee had made nominations to the Awards. The Director shall table further information at the next committee meeting in December.

This being all the business the meeting closed at 12.35pm

Appendix 1: Ballymoney Sports Advisory Committee Annual Report

APPENDIX 1



Ballymoney Sports Advisory Committee

2007/8 Annual Report

in association with



Overview of BSAC

- **Ballymoney Sports Advisory Committee was founded in 1988 as a fully constituted body, which serves the Ballymoney Borough Council Area.**
- **Ballymoney Sports Advisory Committee aims to promote and encourage all aspects of sport and recreation in the Ballymoney Borough by promoting events and assisting sports clubs and individuals.**
- **The Committee is funded solely by Ballymoney Borough Council and works closely with Council.**
- **BSAC is solely funded by Ballymoney Borough Council. £7000 per annum**
- **Sponsorship is also generated for the co-ordination of the annual Sports Awards.**



Committee Members

- **Chairperson - Mr Thomas Skelton (Ballymoney Rugby Club)**
- **Secretary – Mr John Fall (Osmond Table Tennis Club)**
- **Treasurer – Mr John McMullan (Ballymoney UTD FC)**
- **Committee Member – Mr Sean Hanna (Ballymoney GAC)**
- **Committee Member – Miss Linda McDowell (Ballymoney Hockey Club)**
- **Committee Member – Mr Robert Rainey (Glebe Rangers FC)**
- **Committee member – Mr Alan Martin (Scorpion Boxing Club)**
- **Committee member – Mr Johnathan McClenaghan (Ballymoney Blaze Volleyball Club)**
- **Committee Member – Mr Dennis Newman (Ballymoney Chujo Karate Club)**



Committee Members

- Committee Member – The Mayor Cllr John Finlay
- Committee Member – The Deputy Mayor Alderman Cecil Cousley (Ballymoney BC)
- Committee Member – Alderman Frank Campbell (Ballymoney BC)
- Committee Member – Alderman Harry Connolly (Ballymoney BC)
- Committee Member – Comhairleoir Philip McGuigan (Ballymoney BC)
- Committee Member – Cllr Bill Kennedy (Ballymoney BC)
- Committee Member – Mr Paul Lyness (Ballymoney BC)
- Committee Member – Mr Richard Gormley (Ballymoney BC)
- **17 members**
- **9 clubs/sports/volunteers represented**
- **6 Elected Members**
- **2 Council Officers**



Review 2007/8

April – September 2007

- Negotiation re: sponsorship for Ballymoney Sports Awards

October 2007

- Co-ordination of Ballymoney Team for annual Inter Towns competition

November 2007

- 2007 Ballymoney Sports Awards hosted by Christine Bleakley. First year of sponsorship with the Alpha Newspaper Group

February 2008

- Assisted Scorpion Boxing Club in the organisation of their Friday Fight Night at the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre



Review 2007/8

February – April 2008

- Production of DVD re: 2007 Sports Awards

June 2008

- BSAC Annual General Meeting

June – October 2008

- Organisation of 2008 Ballymoney Sports Awards.

October 2008

- Ballymoney Sports Awards hosted by Stephen Watson, special guest, Dame Mary Peters

April 2007 – October 2008

- 20 full committee meetings
- 50 funding grants awarded



Sports Awards 2007 & 8

- **Highlight of sporting calendar in Ballymoney**
- **175 + people attended in 2007 & 2008 in Ballymoney Townhall**
- **Presented by BBC presenter Christine Bleakley 2007**
- **Presented by BBC presented Stephen Watson 2008**
- **Special guest of honour 2008, Dame Mary Peters**
- **Numerous Ulster Champions, Irish Champions, Great Britain Champions, European Champion and World Champions attended**
- **A total of 14 awards were presented**



Sports Awards 2007 & 8

- The Awards have expanded tremendously in the last 2 years thanks to sponsorship and input from new title sponsor, 'The Chronicle'

New sponsors attracted

- McClartys Insurance
- Kellys Portrush
- Light & Sound FX
- Firmus Gas
- Dering Group

Ongoing sponsorship

- Lucozade Sport



Grant Application Recipients

- 50 recipients, 13 different sports
- Bowls - 4
- Volleyball - 7
- Boxing - 1
- Trampolining/Gymnastics – 4
- Athletics - 3
- Table Tennis - 2
- Pool - 9
- Boxing – 1
- Rugby – 2
- Soccer – 4
- Hockey – 1
- Mountain Running – 1
- Clay Pigeon Shooting - 11



BSAC Budget Allocation 2007/8

April 2007 – October 2008

• Grant Applications	£4798-00
• Sports Awards 07	£1983.50
• <u>Sports Awards 08</u>	<u>£2038.10*</u>
Total Spend	£8819.60

* projected



2009/10

- **AGM**
- **Continue with Grant Application process**
- **Ballymoney Sports Awards**
- **Generic Coach Education Courses planned for early 2009**

















