

**Ballymoney Borough Council
Consultation Committee Meeting No 83 – 21st March 2013**

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BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of Consultation Committee Meeting No 83 held in the Council Chamber, Riada House, Ballymoney on Thursday 21st March 2013 at 6.30pm

IN THE CHAIR: Alderman H Connolly (Item 1)
Councillor J Finlay (Item 2 – 12)

PRESENT: **Aldermen**
F Campbell
C Cousley MBE, Deputy Mayor

Councillors
J Atkinson
R Halliday
R McAfee
C McLaughlin

APOLOGIES: **Councillor**
E Robinson (Mayor)

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive
Corporate Services Officer
Press

DoE Planning Service (Item 3)
P Duffy, Planning Service

Press

83.1 TEMPORARY CHAIR

The Chief Executive invited nominations for temporary Chair. It was proposed by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Councillor McAfee and **AGREED:**

that Alderman Connolly chair the meeting.

Alderman Connolly assumed the Chair.

83.2 PRESENTATION – LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM

The Chief Executive advised that the presentation had been cancelled as the DoE Local Government Officer who had originally accepted the invitation had written to decline to attend on the grounds that it would not be appropriate for her to address Council on the issue.

Councillor Finlay arrived during discussion of the item and assumed the Chair.

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

that the DoE Minister be invited to address Council on the issue of Local Government Reform.

The Chief Executive advised that, with the agreement of the Chair, an additional item would be brought before Committee.

83.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

83.4 MINUTES – CONSULTATION COMMITTEE MEETING NO 82 – 18TH FEBRUARY 2013

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

that the minutes of Consultation Committee Meeting No 82 – 18th February 2013, as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.

83.5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 New Applications

Items 1-7 were considered and the opinion of the Planning Service accepted except where stated otherwise.

The content of the objections were summarised to members and may be viewed on public access at:

http://epicpublic.planningni.gov.uk/PublicAccess/zd/tdc_home.aspx

ITEM NO 1	APPLICATION NO D/2009/0142/F– APPROVAL
APPLICANT	Gaelectric Developments Ltd
LOCATION	Land to the east and north east of No 122 Castlecat Road, Cloonty Townland, Derrykeighan, Ballymoney, Co Antrim BT53 8AP (just off the B66 linking Bushmills and Dervock)
PROPOSAL	Wind Farm to include amended layout of four turbines with a maximum overall height of 110m (hub height not exceeding 70m wind turbine blade diameter not exceeding 80m) with site tracks and other associated developments including an electrical substation and control building, one equipment cabin and associated compound, one meteorological pole (max 80m high), construction, extension and upgrading of internal site tracks and associated works.

Objections raised: Concerns about visual impact, impact on wildlife, impact on residential amenity, noise and shower flicker. Conditions have been applied

ITEM NO 2 **APPLICATION NO D/2012/0045/F– APPROVAL**
APPLICANT Mr S McAleese c/o Agent
AGENT T J McDowell 25a Dowgry Road, Clough, Ballymena
 BT44 9SB
LOCATION Approx 90m SW of 31 Burnquarter Lane,
 Ballymoney Co Antrim BT53 7DQ
PROPOSAL Nordtank 150kw Wind Turbine, 30m Tower Height,
 12.3m Blade Length

Councillor Finlay welcomed the approval of this application.

ITEM NO 4 **APPLICATION NO D2012/0200/F – REFUSAL**
APPLICANT GPS Renewables Ltd c/o Agent
AGENT 20/20 Architects, 9a Linenhall Street, Ballymoney
 BT53 6DP
LOCATION 316m South West of 63 Tullaghans Road
 Dunloy, Ballymena, Co Antrim BT44 9LB
PROPOSAL Proposed Erection of ACSA V29 Wind Turbine
 (50M to Hub)

It was **AGREED:** *that an office meeting be held (Councillor Finlay).*

ITEM NO 7 **APPLICATION NO D/2012/0263/F – APPROVAL**
APPLICANT Mrs K Warwick c/o Agent
AGENT Mr S W Atkinson, 51 Castle Street, Ballymoney
 BT53 6JT
LOCATION 16 Church Hill Avenue, Cloughmills BT44 9LP
PROPOSAL Two storey rear extension to dwelling (disabled
 facilities)

Objector raised concerns over: effect on views and sunlight, shadowing to garden, effect on property value and parking.

5.2 Deferred Applications

Items 1-6 were considered and the opinion of the Planning Services accepted except where stated otherwise.

D1 **APPLICATION NO D/2011/0107/F - APPROVAL**

Councillor Finlay welcomed the approval of this application.

D2 APPLICATION NO D/2011/0192/F - APPROVAL

Councillor Finlay welcomed the approval of this application.

***Alderman Cousley joined the meeting at 6.40pm.**

D3 APPLICATION NO D/2011/0197/F - APPROVAL

Councillor Finlay welcomed the approval of this application.

D4 APPLICATION NO D/2012/095/O- REFUSAL

Councillor Finlay expressed disappointment at this decision. If the application goes to appeal it was proposed by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Councillor Atkinson and **AGREED:**

that Council supports the application.

D5 APPLICATION NO D/2012/0127/F- APPROVAL

Councillor Halliday welcomed the approval of this application. The Chair expressed the view that policy on occupancy conditions needs to be reviewed.

D6 APPLICATION NO D/2012/0224/O- REFUSAL

The Planning Officer advised that the application had been withdrawn.

5.3 Office Meetings: Thursday 28th March 2013.

Alderman Connolly reminded the Planning Officer of an outstanding office meeting for Mr P McAleese, Corkey Road.

The Planning Officer left the meeting at 6.46pm.

83.6 CONSULTATION ON DRAFT INTER-DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW OF HOUSING ADAPTIONS SERVICES

The Department for Social Development (DSD) and the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (DHSSPS) are seeking views on the draft Inter Departmental Review of Housing Adaptations Services. DSD and DHSSPS have responsibility for different aspects of housing adaptations. The draft consultation document contains recommendations arising from the review of how the Departments, agencies and others can better collaborate, use resources more effectively and deliver better services.

The draft Inter Departmental Review of Housing Adaptations Services together with an Executive Summary and consultation questions are available online at <http://www.nihe.gov.uk/consultation> or on request from the Office of the Chief Executive.

The deadline for comments is 15th May 2013.

83.7 CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE COMMISSIONING OF PAEDIATRIC CARDIAC SURGERY AND INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY FOR THE POPULATION OF N.I. - UPDATE

At the start of the consultation process, the PCCS Working Group, which consists of clinicians, commissioners, parents of children with heart disease and parent group representatives, gave an undertaking to keep stakeholders informed of key stages in the process.

A post consultation document was developed by the PCCS Working Group and approved on Thursday 14th February 2013 at a public meeting of the HSC Board. The post consultation document and a press release which provides an overview of the process to date is available at: http://www.hscboard.hscni.net/news/Paediatric_Congenital_Cardiac_Services.html or on request from the Office of the Chief Executive.

This framework will now be submitted to the Minister for Health, Social Care and Public Safety (DHSSPS) for his consideration. When the framework has been agreed by the Minister, it will then be applied to each of the options outlined in the post consultation document, with the aim of identifying a preferred way forward for the provision of services for children with heart disease in Northern Ireland. The Minister is expected to make a decision within coming months.

83.8 CONSULTATION ON POLICY PROPOSALS FOR AN OFFSHORE RENEWABLE ENERGY BILL

The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment has launched a statutory consultation on proposals for an Offshore Renewable Energy Bill. It is expected that Offshore Renewable Energy will play an important role in contributing to the 40% renewable electricity target and in March 2012, the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment published the Offshore Renewable Energy Strategic Action Plan 2012-2020 (ORESAP).

The ORESAP identified a number of key areas which needed to be addressed to allow the development of offshore renewable energy projects, particularly the overall regulatory regime for offshore renewable energy projects which needs to be underpinned through primary legislation. This consultation document is available on the DETI website at: www.energy.detini.gov.uk or on request from the Office of the Chief Executive.

The Department is planning to hold information events for stakeholders in order to gather early views on the proposals. A separate invitation will issue in due course.

The closing date for comments is Monday 15 April 2013.

83.9 CONSULTATION ON MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PENALTY POINTS BETWEEN NORTHERN IRELAND AND IRELAND

This consultation paper, from the DoE Road Safety & Vehicle Regulation Division, seeks views on proposals to introduce mutual recognition of penalty points between Northern Ireland and Ireland for the offences of speeding, drink/drug driving, non-wearing of seatbelts and using a mobile phone while driving.

Electronic copies of the consultation paper, response form and partial Regulatory Impact Assessment are available on the DOE's website at <http://www.doeni.gov.uk/>. Click the link to 'Consultations', or on request from the Office of the Chief Executive.

The deadline for receipt of responses is 14th May 2013.

83.10 PERSONAL AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT STRATEGY 2013-2015

The Northern Health Trust has developed a Personal and Public Involvement (PPI) Strategy which details how it intends to embed PPI into their culture and practice. This PPI Strategy for 2013 – 2015 is based on a review of our previous PPI Strategy and takes account of the progress that has been made.

Personal and Public Involvement (PPI) is involving patients, service users, carers and the public in decision making processes in health and social care and recognises that people in receipt of services should be actively involved in decisions affecting their lives.

The PPI Strategy and comments form can be found on the Trust's website at <http://www.northerntrust.hscni.net>. or is available on request from the Office of the Chief Executive.

The deadline for comments is 3 June 2013.

As part of this consultation exercise the Trust plan to hold a consultation workshop. Members interested in attending are asked to advise the Office of the Chief Executive and details of the date and venue will be circulated when received.

83.11 ROADS SERVICE LICENCE RENEWALS

A schedule of applications was circulated for members' information.

83.12 WAYLEAVE AGREEMENT - NORTHERN IRELAND ELECTRICITY

The Chief Executive advised that authority was sought to sign, on behalf of Council, a wayleave agreement between Council and NIE for permission to install an electric cable at the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre for an electric vehicle charge post and same at Drumaheglis Marina.

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

that authority be granted to the Chief Executive, on behalf of Council, to sign the wayleave agreement between Council and NIE for

permission to erect an electric cable at the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre and Drumaheglis Marina for electric vehicle charge posts

The meeting closed at 6.51pm.