

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of Coleraine Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on **TUESDAY** 25 January 2011 at **6.30 p.m.**

R. WILSON
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

Cloonavin
66 Portstewart Road
COLERAINE

A G E N D A

1. Patient and Client Council

Ms Jackie McNeill, Area Manager of Northern Office, will be in attendance to make a presentation on "The People's Priorities".

(Summary and Report enclosed)
2. Minutes (enclosed):
 - 2.1 Council Meeting – 21 December 2010
3. Committee Reports (enclosed):
 - 3.1 Leisure and Environment Committee – 4 January 2011
 - 3.2 Planning Committee – 11 January 2011
 - 3.3 North West '200' Committee – 13 January 2011
 - 3.4 Policy and Development Committee – 18 January 2011
4. Portrush Regeneration Group Selection Panel

Nomination of replacement panel member
5. Correspondence, including inter alia:
 - (a) Coastguard Co-ordination Centres
 - Bregenz House (copy letter dated 20 December 2010 from North Down Borough Council seeking Council's support enclosed)
 - The Belfast Coastguard Support Group (copy email dated 16 January 2010 enclosed)

Decision required to issue letters of support.

- (b) Reports available in Members' Library (List enclosed)

6. Consultation List (enclosed)
7. Documents for Sealing

Enclosed for Information:

- i) Letter dated 4 January 2011 from Londonderry Area Electoral Office regarding Count Centre for Foyle and East Londonderry
- ii) Letter dated 5 January 2011 from Northern Ireland Office Public Appointments Unit regarding Appointment of Sheriffs 2011
- iii) Letter dated 6 January 2001 from Department of Education, Education Governance Team regarding Councillor Appointment to North Eastern Education and Library Board
- iv) Letter dated 10 January 2011 from Department for Social Development regarding Council's letter supporting Ards Borough Council's request for increase in contribution to their local Citizen's Advice Bureau
- v) Letter dated 13 January 2011 from Department of the Environment thanking Councils for activating their Emergency Response Plans
- vi) NILGA Weekly Update Issue 35, 17th January 2011

*** Recommended for consideration "In Committee"**

To: Each Member of Council

21 January 2011

COUNCIL MEETING

21st December, 2010.

Present: The Mayor, Councillor N. F. Hillis, in the Chair
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A. S. Cole
(Items 3.2 – 12.2.1)

Aldermen

E. T. Black (Mrs.) (Items 3.1 – 12.2.1)	D. McClarty (Items 1.0 – 6.1)
M. T. Hickey (Mrs.)	W. J. McClure

Councillors

J. M. Bradley	B. Leonard
T. J. Deans (Items 5.0 – 12.2.1)	R. A. Loftus (Mrs.) (Items 3.1 – 6.1)
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)	G. L. McLaughlin
B. Fitzpatrick	R. A. McPherson
S. Gilkinson	A. McQuillan (Items 4.2 – 12.2.1)
D. Harding	
W. A. King	

Officers in Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Technical Services, Director of Corporate Services, Interim Director of Leisure Services, Head of Development Services, Head of Performance Policy and Governance (Items 1.0 – 8.0), Economic Development Manager (Items 6.1 – 12.2.1), Portrush Regeneration Manager (Items 1.0 – 4.3) and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Alderman Creelman, Councillors Ms. Alexander, Barbour and Mrs. Church

1.0 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 23rd November, 2010 were confirmed and signed.

2.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

2.1 Planning Committee

The Chairman, Alderman McClure, moved the adoption of the Planning Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Alderman Mrs. Hickey and agreed.

3.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES' REPORT

Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Development Services (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

3.1 North East Rural Development Programme (NERDP): Village Renewal Measure 3.5

Council has been working with three villages, Articlave, Macosquin and Portballintrae, which are eligible to apply for funding under Measure 3.5. Successful applications will receive funding at a rate of 75%, subject to match funding of 25% being secured. Funding to cover the 25% is available in the 2010/11 Economic Development budget.

Agreed:

On the proposal of Councillor King and seconded by Councillor Harding, that Council offers support to the three villages by providing 25% match funding at £1,750 to each of the three villages.

3.2 Portrush Railway Station Relocation – Technical Feasibility Study

Consideration was given to information on this topic, as contained in the report.

Agreed:

On the proposal of Councillor Bradley and seconded by Alderman Mrs. Hickey, that Council agrees to proceed with the Portrush Railway Station Technical Feasibility Study at a cost to Council of £15,000 and subject to the Department for Social Development contributing £15,000 towards the overall £30,000 project costs together with an undertaking that DSD will absorb the costs of engaging the Central Procurement Directorate.

3.3 For Information

Members noted information on the following topics, as contained in the report.

- i) Lansdowne Refurbishment Scheme.
- ii) Replacement Ambient / Festive Lighting in Portrush and Portstewart.
- iii) Review of Regional Tourism – Diary Date – Wednesday 19th January, 2011.
- iv) Voluntary Advice Services and Location of Area Advice Centres (DSD).

4.0 CORPORATE SERVICES' REPORT

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Corporate Services (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

4.1 Potential Recovery of VAT on Leisure and Sporting Activities

Consideration was given to information on the possible recovery of VAT and recommendations for same as endorsed by ALFGO and SOLACE, as contained in the report.

Agreed:

- i) Coleraine Borough Council agrees to participate in the action to challenge HMRC in relation to whether leisure services activities should be subject to VAT.

- ii) Coleraine Borough Council agrees to jointly (together with the other 25 district councils in Northern Ireland) appoint DLA Piper LLP and VAT Support and Solutions Ltd. (with VAT Support and Solutions Ltd. to be instructed by DLA Piper LLP) to pursue the action in the Tribunal in accordance with the terms of their proposal previously submitted to ALGFO.
- iii) Coleraine Borough Council agrees to authorize ALGFO and Belfast City Council Legal Services Department to finalise contractual arrangements between DLA Piper LLP and VAT Support and Solutions Ltd. and councils, including, but not limited to agreement of letter(s) of engagement, performance monitoring and authorisation of payments under the contract(s), such contract(s) to be adopted by Coleraine Borough Council in due course.

During a period of discussion the Director of Corporate Services confirmed that, in the event of any substantial change to the estimated fee for the Tribunal, this matter would be referred back to Council.

4.2 Department of the Environment Consultation Paper on the Provision of Pensions for Elected Members

Consideration was given to this Consultation Paper (previously supplied) and details on the cost to Council should all Members join the scheme, as detailed in the report.

Agreed:

That individual Members and/or political parties respond to the Consultation Paper directly before the closing date of 28th January, 2011.

4.3 For Information

Members noted information on the following topics, as contained in the report:

- i) Report of the Chief Local Government Auditor into Absenteeism in Local Councils 2009 -2010. Members' questions on this issue were answered by the Director of Corporate Services.
- ii) Accounts for November 2010.

5.0 TECHNICAL SERVICES' REPORT

Consideration was given to the report of the Town Clerk and Chief Executive (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

5.1 Proposals to Remove Snow and Ice from Town Centre Footways and Pedestrian Areas

Members were updated on the background to this issue, the revised proposed agreement from Roads Service to Council in September 2010 and issues arising for Council from same. A number of issues which required clarification in order to progress this matter were identified by the Town Clerk and Chief Executive, as contained in the report, and options for progress were outlined.

Retrospective approval was sought for some staff having been deployed to assist with clearing pathways in certain areas on 3rd December, 2010, following cancellation of the Leisure and Environment Committee meeting in December and

in response to the adverse weather conditions.

A period of discussion ensued during which Members' questions were answered by the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

Agreed:

On the proposal of Councillor Gilkinson and seconded by Alderman McClure:

- i) that retrospective approval be given for the deployment of staff;
- ii) that Council assists Road Service on an interim and voluntary basis, subject to the conditions as contained in the report;
- iii) that officers be delegated power to make appropriate decisions with regard to the deployment of resources and seek any necessary approvals retrospectively.

The Mayor paid tribute to Council workers and traders for their efforts in helping to clear Coleraine town centre.

6.0 LEISURE SERVICES' REPORT

Consideration was given to the report of the Interim Director of Leisure Services (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

6.1 Market Yard Report

The Interim Director of Leisure Services outlined the history of the Market Yard project and options available to Council for progressing the scheme.

It was proposed by Councillor Bradley and seconded by the Deputy Mayor:

That Council withdraws the bid for NITB funding and resubmits a revised PEACE III 2.1 bid for 100% funding for eligible costs to a total sum of circa £3.94 million by 17th January, 2011.

Concern was expressed at the potential cost of running and maintaining a museum and it was proposed, as an amendment, by Councillor Deans and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Fielding:

That Council defers the current Market Yard project and commits resources to investigating the feasibility and design of an alternative provision noting the potential financial implications with regard to preliminary costs, as contained in section 5 of the report.

On a request for a recorded vote, Members voted on the amendment thus:

For: Councillors Deans and Fielding (2)

Against: The Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Mrs. Black, Mrs. Hickey, McClarty and McClure, Councillors Bradley, Fitzpatrick, Gilkinson, Harding, King, Leonard, Mrs. Loftus, McLaughlin and McPherson (15)

Abstained: Councillor McQuillan (1)

The amendment was, therefore, lost with two votes in favour and fifteen against.

Agreed:

With sixteen votes in favour and two against, that the substantive proposal be carried viz:

For: The Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Mrs. Black, Mrs. Hickey, McClarty and McClure, Councillors Bradley, Fitzpatrick, Gilkinson, Harding, King, Leonard, Mrs. Loftus, McLaughlin, McPherson and McQuillan (16)

Against: Councillors Deans and Fielding (2)

6.2 Proposed Caravan Park Charges 2011

Consideration was given to proposals for caravan park charges as detailed in the report (circulated).

It was proposed by Councillor Harding and seconded by Councillor Deans:

That Council increases all charges by 5% and does not subsidise any VAT increase.

A period of debate ensued during which Members' queries in relation to comparison of charges with private caravan park operators were answered by the Interim Director of Leisure Services. It was then proposed, as an amendment by Councillor McPherson and seconded by Councillor King:

That this issue be deferred to the Leisure and Environment Committee meeting in January to allow available figures on caravan parks to be provided.

Agreed:

With eleven votes in favour and three against, that the amendment be carried and that full Council powers be delegated to the Leisure and Environment Committee to make decision on this issue.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

7.1 Leisure and Environment Committee Meeting in January

Members were advised that, due to the cancellation of the December meeting of Leisure and Environment, a meeting would be held on 4th January, 2011 commencing at 6.30 pm.

7.2 Visit by the Minister

Members were invited to meet with the Minister for Social Development in Coleraine Town Hall on 5th January, 2011 at 11.15 am.

8.0 REVIEW OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Local Government Reform – Consultation on Policy Proposals

Consideration was given to this Consultation document (previously supplied). A draft response to the document would be brought to a meeting of Policy and Development before the 11th March, 2011 deadline for response.

9.0 CONSULTATION LIST

Details of consultation documents received were noted (previously supplied).

Any Member who wished to make a response was asked to contact the Head of Performance, Policy and Governance before the due date for comments as detailed in the report.

10.0 DOCUMENTS TABLED

Members noted the list of documents which had been made available in the Members' Library (previously supplied).

11.0 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

1. Bye-Laws

To Control the Consumption of
Intoxicating Liquor in Designated Places

2. Cemetery Titles

Grant of Right of Burial – Deeds Register
Nos. 3689 - 3700 inclusive

Agherton	1
Ballywillan	3
Coleraine	1
Kilrea	1
Portstewart	6

Advanced Deeds Register Nos 0262 –
0263 inclusive

Coleraine	1
Portstewart	1

LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

4th January, 2011.

Present: Councillor J. M. Bradley, in the Chair
The Mayor, Councillor N. F. Hillis
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A. S. Cole

Aldermen

E. T. Black (Mrs.)	D. McClarty
W. T. Creelman	(Items 1.0 – 2.5)
M. T. Hickey (Mrs.)	W. J. McClure

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)	B. Leonard
(Items 1.0 – 3.3)	(Items 1.0 – 3.3)
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	R. Loftus (Mrs.)
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)	G. L. McLaughlin
B. Fitzpatrick	R. A. McPherson
S. Gilkinson	A. McQuillan
D. Harding	(Items 2.1 – 2.5)
W. A. King	

Officers in Attendance:

Director of Technical Services, Director of Environmental Health, Interim Director of Leisure Services, Senior Environmental Health Officer and Administrative Assistant.

Apology: Councillor Barbour

1.0 WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and it was agreed to discuss the Leisure Services' Report first.

2.0 LEISURE SERVICES' REPORT

The Report of the Interim Director of Leisure Services was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

2.1 Rugby Avenue Community Stadium and Leisure Facilities Preliminary Technical Feasibility Study – Update

Roger Perrott of Ostick & Williams and Brian Conway of Sammon Construction Consultants were in attendance to present a report to members. They updated members on the Feasibility Study and elaborated on various issues including:

- Consultation
- Site Analysis

- Site capacity study
- Cost
- Conclusion

The representatives answered members' various questions.

Members noted that a copy of the report would be available in the Members' Library.

Recommended:

That Council proceed with Stage 2 of this project as detailed in the report and allow Officers a leeway of 10% either way of the estimated costs of £69,603.50.

2.2 Northern Ireland Special Festival of Pool

A request had been received from the Northern Ireland Special Festival of Pool for financial assistance towards the costs of staging the Northern Ireland Special Festival of Pool at the Lodge Hotel, Coleraine from 15th – 18th November, 2010.

Members noted that the request had not been received in time for the November Leisure and Environment meeting.

Recommended:

That Council contribute £1,000 retrospectively to the Northern Ireland Special Festival and advise them that due to the financial position of the public sector following the Comprehensive Spending Review, and the review of contributions currently being carried out by Internal Audit, the future of this grant may be subject to further review.

2.3 Local Government and 2012 – Request for Council Representatives

Consideration was given to information on this request, as detailed in the report.

Recommended:

- (a) On the proposal of Councillor McPherson and seconded by Alderman Mrs. Black, that Councillor King, in addition to the current Chair of Northern Ireland's Local Government 2012 Olympic Committee (Councillor Bradley), represents Coleraine on the 2012 Committee.
- (b) That Alex Carmichael, Leisure Service Officer be the Lead Officer on behalf of Council.

2.4 Coleraine Twinning Association

Recommended:

That Council approve a grant of £7,500 for Coleraine Twinning Association to assist them with their work and advise them that due to the financial position of the public sector following the Comprehensive Spending Review, and the review of contributions currently being carried out by Internal Audit, the future of this grant may be subject to further review.

2.5 Proposed Fees and Charges 2011-2012

Consideration was given to these proposed fees and charges, as detailed in the report.

Recommended:

- (a) On the proposal of Councillor Harding and seconded by Councillor Ms. Alexander, that Council increase the charge for touring caravans by 50p rather than Council absorb the VAT increase of 2.5%.
- (b) That Council absorb the VAT increase of 2.5% until the new prices are implemented in April 2011, with the exception of Touring Caravans (as detailed above), noting the estimated cost to Council of c. £5k
- (c) That Council adopt the schedule of Fees & Charges for 2011-2012 as detailed below.
- (d) That Council consider a review of the Access to Leisure scheme.

Members noted the estimated under achievement of income of c. £75k.

It was suggested that the new Council could discuss caravan park charges and the Director of Technical Services advised he would bring this topic to the Town Clerk & Chief Executive's attention.

Service Area: Ballyreagh Golf Course

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Yearly Ticket – Adult	118.00	130.00	
Yearly Ticket - Juv/S.Citizen	70.00	77.00	
Weekday Par 3 - Adult	6.00	6.60	
Weekday Par 3 - Adult Juv/S.Citizen	4.50	5.00	
Weekend Par 3 – Adult	7.00	7.70	
Weekend Par 3 - Juv/S.Citizen	6.00	6.60	
Pitch & Putt -Adult	3.50	3.85	
Pitch & Putt -Juv/S.Citizen	2.50	2.75	
Putting	0.80	1.00	

Service Area: Caravan Parks

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Static Caravan Rentals	1954.00	2035.00	Basic rent increase of £30 to £1,560 plus VAT. Small rate increase of £6.75 to £163.00 = total cost £2035.00 (inc VAT)
Serviced Touring Sites – Off Peak	17.50	18.00	VAT impact rounded up by 7p
Serviced Touring Sites – Peak	20.00	20.50	Increase by 50p rather than VAT increase absorbed above/below
Non serviced Touring sites – Off Peak	15.00	15.50	Increase by 50p rather than VAT increase absorbed above/below
Non Serviced Touring sites	17.50	18.00	VAT impact rounded up by 7p

Service Area: Coleraine Leisure Centre

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Fitness Suite			
<i>Club</i> Level Membership			
Monthly charge (single)	n/a	22.50	<i>Club</i> Level Membership applicable to JWSC only.
Monthly (Joint)	n/a	35.00	
Monthly (Concessions)	n/a	11.50	
Daily Charge (adult)	n/a	4.50	
Daily Charge (Concessions)	n/a	2.50	
<i>Silver</i> Level Membership			
Monthly charge (single)	29.50	30.50	<i>Silver</i> Membership provides access to the fitness suites at JWSC and CLC.
Monthly (Joint)	45.50	47.00	
Monthly (Concessions)	14.75	15.15	
<i>Premier</i> Level Membership			
Monthly charge (single)	33.50	34.50	<i>Premier</i> Membership provides access to the fitness suites at JWSC and CLC; health suite and swimming at CLC.
Monthly (Joint)	53.00	54.50	
Monthly (Concessions)	16.75	17.25	
			Current prices are applicable to CLC and shown for comparison purposes only.
Main Hall	50.00	53.00	All other activity charges are derived from main hall rates.
Team Games	35.00	37.00	
Court games	6.00	6.40	
Minor Hall	20.00	21.00	
Clubroom	15.00	15.50	
Main Pool	45.00	47.00	
Minor Pool	30.00	31.00	
Membership:			
Adult	10.00	n/a	As part of the modernisation and improvement programme it is proposed to phase these charges out, providing the user with a single activity charge.
Juvenile	6.00	n/a	
Family	16.00	n/a	
Entrance Fees	0.50	n/a	As above
Swimming:			
Adult	3.00	3.40	School swimming includes contribution to swimming instructor and new rates would apply from start of school year,
Juvenile	2.20	2.40	
School	1.50	1.60	
Concession	1.50	1.60	
Club	1.50	1.60	
Health Suite:			
Adult	5.00	5.50	

Concession	2.50	2.80	
Student	3.50	3.80	

Service Area: Community Centres

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Ballysally (Hourly)*			
General Purpose Area:			
Community Group	7.00	7.20	
Statutory Agency	12.00	12.30	
Commercial	12.00	13.00	
Social Area/Coffee Bar:			
Community Group	7.00	7.20	
Statutory Agency	12.00	12.30	
Commercial	12.00	13.00	
Training Room:			
Community Group	7.00	7.20	
Statutory Agency	12.00	12.30	
Commercial	12.00	13.00	
Art/Kiln Room:			
Community Group	7.00	7.20	
Statutory Agency	12.00	12.30	
Commercial	12.00	13.00	
Main Hall:			
Community Group	12.00	12.30	
Statutory Agency	17.00	18.00	
Commercial	20.00	21.10	
Computer Suite:			
Community Group	7.00	7.20	Plus tutor fees where applicable.
Statutory Agency	12.00	12.70	Commercial rate undervalued.
Commercial	12.00	16.00	
Kitchen:			
Community Group	5.00	5.20	These charges are per session rather
Statutory Agency	10.00	10.60	per hour.
Commercial	10.00	10.60	
Outdoor Multi Play Area:			
Adult Rates:			
Community Group	15.00	15.50	
Statutory Agency	24.00	25.30	
Commercial	24.00	26.00	
Junior Rates:			
Community Group	10.00	10.30	
Statutory Agency	16.00	17.00	
Commercial	18.00	19.00	
Coleraine West – New Facility (Hourly)			
Main Hall Community Rate	n/a	7.00	The proposed Community Rate of £7.00 is £0.50p less than other more comparable facilities (Peter Thompson Hall and Portballintrae) as it better accommodates the transition from old building to the new and larger building new. It is recommended that subject to
½ Main Hall -Community Rate	n/a	4.00	
Commercial Rate	n/a	21.20	

			review the charges should be aligned with comparable facilities by 2012.
Hall 2 Community Rate Commercial Rate		6.00 12.00	
Committee/Meeting Room		3.00	
Boxing Club Room		6.00	
Harpur's Hill			
Main Hall Community Rate Commercial Rate	3.00 6.00	3.50 6.50	Charges reflective of the offer.
Millburn Community (Hourly)			
Main Hall Before 6.00 pm After 6.00 pm Special Functions Juvenile Discos 9am -11am Special Functions/Discos/Parties etc	4.00 5.00 11.00 8.50 n/a 11.50	n/a n/a n/a n/a 5.00 11.50	Some rationalisation of pricing is proposed.
Committee Room	3.00	3.20	
Peter Thompson Hall – Castlerock (Hourly)			
Main Hall Community Rate Commercial Rate Fee Paying Sport Activity	7.00 20.00 10.00	7.50 21.10 10.50	
Minor Hall Community Rate Commercial Rate	4.00 8.00	4.50 8.50	
Pavilion Area Community Rate Commercial Rate	5.00 10.00	5.50 10.50	
Committee Room	1.50	3.00	Unrealistically low rate currently.
Sleepovers - per head per day (Brownie/Scout Groups)	2.50	n/a	Proposed change in charging methodology.
Groups up to 10 people Groups 11-20 Groups 21 or more	n/a n/a n/a	26.00 40.00 60.00	
Portballintrae (Hourly)			
Main Hall Community Rate Commercial Rate	5.00 10.00	7.50 21.10	Current charges are unrealistically low and significantly lower than other community facilities
Committee Room	1.50	3.00	Unrealistically low rate currently.

Windyhall – (Hourly)			
Main Hall Community Rate Commercial Rate	5.00 10.00	7.50 21.10	Current charges are unrealistically low and significantly lower than other community facilities
Committee Room	1.50	3.00	Unrealistically low rate currently.

*Excludes charges applied to the Ballysally Youth Club as these would need to be set and approved by NEELB. Given the centre is operated jointly with NEELB, the proposed charges should also be presented to the BYCC Joint Management Committee.

Service Area: Dunluce Centre

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Turbo Tours:			Utilisation of this attraction is in decline, therefore only the VAT increase is proposed
Individual	4.50	4.60	
Family	n/a	n/a	
Groups	4.00	4.10	
Schools	4.00	4.10	
Laser Tag:			
Individual	4.50	4.75	
Family	n/a	n/a	
Groups	4.00	4.50	
Schools	4.00	4.50	
Finn McCool:			
Individual	4.50	4.60	
Family	n/a	n/a	
Groups	4.00	4.25	
Schools	4.00	4.25	
2 Attractions:			
Individual	7.50	7.75	
Family	7.50	7.75	
Groups	6.00	6.50	
Schools	5.50	5.65	
3 Attractions;			
Individual	9.00	9.25	
Family	7.65	7.90	
Groups	7.50	7.70	
Schools	6.00	6.20	
Laser Hire:			Proposed increases reflect market capacity and wear and tear costs.
Individual	n/a	n/a	
Family	n/a	n/a	
Groups	200	250	
Schools	200	250	

Service Area: Flowerfield Arts Centre

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Room Hire Arts & Voluntary Rates			All rooms now changed to reflect hourly rate and increases proposed reflect the growing demand and no pricing review for several years.

Conference Room			
1 Hour	20.00	25.00	
3 Hours	50.00	60.00	
Auditorium - Hall Only			
1 Hour	n/a	35.00	
3 Hours	70.00	85.00	
Auditorium Seated			
1 Hour	n/a	40.00	
3 Hours	90.00	105.00	
Media Training Room			
1 Hour	n/a	40.00	
3 Hours	90.00	105.00	
Darkroom & Auditorium W/shop			
1 Hour	n/a	20.00	
3 Hours	40.00	50.00	
Pottery Studio			
1 Hour	n/a	25.00	
3 Hours	50.00	60.00	
Classrooms 1.2.3			
1 Hour	20.00	25.00	
3 Hours	50.00	60.00	
Media Workshop			
1 Hour	20.00	25.00	
3 Hours	50.00	60.00	
Foyer (3 Hours)	50.00	85.00	
Kitchen (3 Hours)	30.00	45.00	
Room Hire Commercial Rates			All rooms now changed to reflect hourly rate and increases proposed reflect the growing demand and no pricing review for several years.
Conference Room			
1 Hour	36.00	40.00	
3 Hours	100.00	110.00	
Auditorium -Hall Only			
1 Hour	n/a	60.00	
3 Hours	150.00	160.00	
Auditorium Seated			
1 Hour	n/a	75.00	
3 Hours	200.00	210.00	
Media Training Room			
1 Hour	n/a	70.00	
3 Hours	180.00	190.00	
Darkroom & Auditorium W/shop			
1 Hour	n/a	25.00	
3 Hours	50.00	60.00	
Pottery Studio			
1 Hour	n/a	40.00	
3 Hours	100.00	110.00	
Classrooms 1.2.3			
1 Hour	30.00	35.00	
	80.00	90.00	

3 Hours			
Media Workshop			
1 Hour	30.00	35.00	
3 Hours	80.00	90.00	
Foyer (3 Hours)	100.00	£110	
Kitchen (3 Hours)	50.00	60.00	
"Friends of Flowerfield" Scheme			
Concession Rate	8.00	10.00	
Individual	10.00	12.00	
Family	16.00	18.00	
"Friends" Room Hire Sessions	5.00	7.00	
Kiln Hire			
Ceramics Large Kiln	n/a	20.00	Charge applied to operational and maintenance costs.
Ceramics Small Kiln	n/a	15.00	
Glass Kilns	n/a	15.00	
Gallery Sales Commission Rate	25%	25%	Commission rate increased to 25% within the past year.
Coffee Dock: A selection of drinks and snacks are offered i.e. Tea @ 60p; Canned Drinks @ 50p etc.	Range per product	*	*A minimum 15% increase is recommended in line with market values
Technical Support Services			Introduction of new charges for technical support to auditorium events.
Per £4 hour session	n/a	£80.00	
Per additional hour	n/a	£15.00	
Performance Ticket Prices (minimum charge)	8.00	9.00	Ticket prices linked to performance factors.
All Workshops & Course Fees (minimum charge)	5.00	6.00	Prices remain competitive and set as per costing factors.
Artist / Makers Studio Rental			
1 Month	80.00	90.00	
Reprographic Charges			Charges remain fixed and determined by paper size etc.
Photocopy	20-75p		
Laminating	1.00 – 2.00		

Service Area: Harbours & Marinas

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Coleraine Marina			
Summer (April – September)			Prices per metre
Boats up to 7m	84.00	89.00	
Boats over 7m	96.00	102.00	
Winter (October – March)			
Boats up to 7m	58.00	61.50	
Boats over 7m	64.00	68.00	
Monthly	180.00	200.00	
Weekly	70.00	77.00	
Daily	17.00	20.00	
Rowing Boats up to 5m			

Summer (April – September)	85.00	89.00	
Winter (October – March)	53.00	56.00	
Use of Crane	10.00	11.00	Prices per metre
Sailing Dinghies	55.00	58.00	Per annum
Electric Meter Hire	20.00	20.50	Per annum – plus consumption charges
Slipping & Changing	6.00	6.50	
Annual Slipping	44.00	46.50	
Mast Hoist with Boat Lift	30.00	32.00	
Mast Hoist – Boats Moored Elsewhere	40.00	42.50	
Short Stay Charge	5.00	5.50	
Jet Wash	10.00	11.00	
Diesel*	0.80	0.85	Per litre
Petrol*	1.30	1.25	Per litre – price reduction to reflect current market
Portballintrae Harbour			
No charges applied	n/a	n/a	It is recommended that during 2011 consultation takes place with boat owner with a view to determining the feasibility of introducing charges for 2012-13
Portrush Harbour			
Season Ticket			Prices per metre
Boats up to 7m	66.00	70.00	
Boats over 7m	85.00	90.00	
Minimum Charge	330.00	350.00	
Monthly Ticket			Introduction of differential charging for size of boats consistent with the approach at Portstewart Harbour
Boats up to 7m	170.00	180.00	
Boats over 7m	170.00	200.00	
Weekly Ticket			Introduction of differential charging for size of boats consistent with the approach at Portstewart Harbour
Boats up to 7m	60.00	63.50	
Boats over 7m	60.00	73.00	
Daily Ticket			Introduction of differential charging for size of boats consistent with the approach at Portstewart Harbour
Boats up to 7m	15.00	16.00	
Boats over 7m	15.00	17.50	
Rowing Boats (season)	60.00	63.30	
Tenders	6.00	6.30	
Covered Winter Storage	100.00 120.00	n/a n/a	Not offered for 2011-12 dues to facility repairs and review of options.
Slipping & Changing	6.00	6.50	
Annual Slipping	44.00	46.50	
Diesel*	0.80	0.85	Per litre
Portstewart Harbour			
Season Ticket			
Boats up to 7m	60.00	64.00	
Boats over 7m	80.00	85.00	
All Boats – Outer Harbour	34.00	36.00	
Monthly Ticket			
Boats up to 7m	120.00	127.00	
Boats over 7m	140.00	148.00	
All Boats – Outer Harbour	n/a	n/a	

Weekly Ticket			
Boats up to 7m	45.00	48.00	
Boats over 7m	55.00	58.00	
All Boats – Outer Harbour	n/a	n/a	
Daily Ticket			
Boats up to 7m	15.00	16.00	
Boats over 7m	15.00	16.00	
All Boats – Outer Harbour	n/a	n/a	

* Local management pricing flexibility required to reflect and respond to fuel price changes.

Service Area: Jim Watt Sports Centre

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Fitness Suite			
<i>Club</i> Level Membership			<i>Club</i> Level Membership applicable to JWSC only.
Monthly charge (single)	n/a	22.50	
Monthly (Joint)	n/a	35.00	
Monthly (Concessions)	n/a	11.50	
Daily Charge (adult)	n/a	4.50	
Daily Charge (Concessions)	n/a	2.50	Charges aligned to opening hours and with CLC charges. If JWSC opening hours are extended in the future, Club Membership should be withdrawn.
<i>Silver</i> Level Membership			<i>Silver</i> Membership provides access to the fitness suites at JWSC and CLC.
Monthly charge (single)	29.50	30.50	
Monthly (Joint)	14.75	15.15	
Monthly (Concessions)	45.50	47.00	
			As CLC's opening hours are greater than JWSC price is reflective.
			Current prices are applicable to CLC and shown for comparison purposes only.
<i>Premier</i> Level Membership			<i>Premier</i> Membership provides access to the fitness suites at JWSC and CLC; health suite and swimming at CLC.
Monthly charge (single)	33.50	34.50	
Monthly (Joint)	53.00	54.50	
Monthly (Concessions)	16.75	17.25	
			Current prices are applicable to CLC and shown for comparison purposes only.
Sports Hall			
Full Hall (per hour)	28.00	28.70	
½ Hall (per hour)	14.00	14.35	
			Increases reflect VAT Rate change and as with other facilities the proposal is not to implement until April 2011.
			All other charges are derived from main hall rates.
Club Room (per hour)	12.00	12.30	As above

Service Area: Kilrea Sports Complex

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Hall Hire (peak)	10.00	12.00	Only a small number of groups are

			charged basic hall hire rates.
Hall Hire (off peak)	5.00	6.00	As above
Indoor Football (peak)	10.00	16.00	The demand for indoor football is high. Individuals can expect to pay £3 per head at CLC & JWSC. The cost per head at Kilrea for 4-a-side is currently £1.25, increasing to £2 per head aligns pricing and remains affordable.
Indoor football(off peak)	5.00	8.00	See above
Birthday Parties	30.00	35.00	Remains competitive.
Individual	2.50	3.00	
MUGA (adult)	12.00	16.00	Increasing Adult MUGA charges (£1.60 per head) can offset free access for u18s.

Service Area: Museums

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Mountsandel	10.00	15.00	Plus £10 refundable deposit
Age concern/50s Coleraine/WWII	10.00	15.00	Plus £10 refundable deposit
Victorian Coleraine (new)	n/a	15.00	New service. Plus £20 refundable deposit reflecting higher collections value & maintenance costs.

Service Area: Outdoor Recreation

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Bowls (1Hour)	2.50	2.60	
Bowls (3 Hours)	5.00	5.20	
Season Bowling	43.00	45.00	
Season Bowling (Retired)	25.00	26.00	
Green Fees (Clubs)	20.00	21.00	
Hire of Bowls	1.00	1.00	
Shoe Hire	1.00	1.00	
Tennis Singles (per individual)	2.00	2.50	
Tennis Doubles (Court)	5.00	6.00	
Season Tennis	43.00	45.00	
Season Tennis (Under 18)	25.00	26.00	
Family Tennis Season Ticket – 10% discount (Min.1 adult 2 children)	38.70	40.50	
Weekly Tennis	13.00	13.00	
Racquets Hire	1.00	1.00	
Ball Hire (Set of Three)	0.70	1.00	
Putting	0.80	1.00	
Crazy Golf	0.80	1.00	
Crazy Golf	0.80	1.00	
Outdoor Pitch Senior Match	31.00	33.00	New charges applied from 2011 season

Junior Match	19.00	20.00	
Outdoor Pitch (no facilities)			New charges applied from 2011 season
Senior Match	22.00	23.00	
Junior Match	14.00	15.00	
Training Pitch	24.00	25.50	New charges applied from 2011 season
Senior Match	16.00	17.00	
Junior Match			
Athletics Competition	60.00	63.00	
Athletics Training	17.00	18.00	

Service Area: Sports Development

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Wildcats/cubs & Bambinos	2.50	2.60	
NRGIZE	3.00	3.10	
Actively Aging Well	3.00	3.10	
Summer Recreation Programme	27.50	29.00	
Easter	15.00	15.80	
Seaside & Rural	10.00	10.50	
Teenie Tumblers	n/a	4.50	New programme commences January 2011 – proposed charges applied from January 2011.
Just Dance Club	n/a	2.60	As above

Service Area: Town Halls

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Coleraine Town Hall			
Main Hall:			
Daily (9am – 5pm)	75.00	80.00	
Evening (6pm -11.00pm)	75.00	80.00	
All Day (10am – 10pm)	130.00	140.00	
Full Day (9am – 11pm)	n/a	160.00	
Council Chamber:			
Daily (9am – 5pm)	35.00	37.00	
Evening (6pm – 11pm)	35.00	37.00	
Small Room:			
Daily (9am - 5pm)	15.00	16.00	
Evening (6pm – 11pm)	15.00	16.00	
Kitchen Facilities			
Stage Lighting	7.00	7.50	
Piano	15.00	16.00	
Additional hours – per hour outside above periods (inc. Sundays/Bank Holidays)	5.00	5.00	
	15.00	16.00	
Portrush Town Hall			
Main Hall:			
Daily (9am – 5pm)	70.00		

Evening (6pm – 11pm)	70.00	74.00	
All Day (10am – 10pm)	120.00	74.00	
Full Day (9am – 11pm)	n/a	130.00	
		148.00	
Meeting Room:			
Daily (9am – 5pm)	30.00	31.50	
Evening (6pm – 11pm)	30.00	31.50	
Girvan Room:			
Daily (9am – 5pm)	30.00	31.50	
Evening (6pm – 11pm)	30.00	31.50	
Wedding Ceremony (2 hours)	n/a	50.00	
Wedding Reception	n/a	148.00	
Kitchen Facilities			
Stage Lighting	7.00	7.50	
Piano	10.00	10.50	
Additional hours – per hour outside above periods (inc. Sundays/Bank Holidays)	5.00	5.00	
	15.00	16.00	
Portstewart Town Hall			
Main Hall:			
Daily (9am – 5pm)	70.00	74.00	
Evening (6pm – 11pm)	70.00	74.00	
All Day (10am – 10pm)	120.00	130.00	
Full Day (9am – 11pm)	n/a	140.00	
Minor Hall:			
Daily (9am – 5pm)	30.00	31.50	
Evening (6pm – 11pm)	30.00	31.50	
Kitchen Facilities			
Piano	7.00	7.50	
Additional hours – per hour outside above periods (inc. Sundays/Bank Holidays)	5.00	5.00	
	15.00	16.00	
Kilrea Town Hall – (Hourly)			
Rooms 1 & 2 (Upstairs)			
Community Rate	7.00	7.50	
Commercial Rate	12.00	13.00	
Room 3 – Small (Downstairs)	5.00	5.00	
Double Room (Rooms 1 & 2 opened up)			
Community Rate	12.00	12.50	
Commercial Rate	20.00	21.50	
Kitchen	3.00	3.50	

Service Area: Watersports Centre

Service	Current	Proposed	Comments
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	£	£	
Committee/Meeting Room - Hourly charge:			The current Full Day is excessively discounted, the proposed charges still offer a considerable discount from the hourly rate.
Community/Sports Clubs Rate	10.00	10.60	
Commercial Rate	15.00	16.00	
Full Day Hire (9am – 5pm)			
Community/Sports Clubs Rate			
Commercial Rate	50.00 50.00	65.00 100.00	
Showers & Changing - Hourly charge (Up to a maximum) (Minimum charge)	10.00 40.00	10.60 *	* No maximum charge is proposed as this allows scope for commercial negotiation.
	20.00	21.20	
Sporting Event Maximum charge	40.00	*	
Kitchen	5.00	5.50	

Service Area: Waterworld

Service	Current £	Proposed £	Comments
Age 1-3 Year Olds	n/a	1.00	Reflects the rationale for the facility and remains at accessible rate.
Under 8's	2.75	2.85	
Adult	4.75	4.90	
Family of 3	12.50	12.80	
Family of 4	16.50	16.90	
Family of 5			
Group Rate (per head)	20.50	21.00	
Group Rate 20+ (per head)	3.75		
Bowling 2 per lane	8.00	8.50	
Bowling 3 per lane		12.50	
Bowling 4 per lane	12.00		
Bowling 4-6 per lane	15.00	15.50	

Service Area: Cemeteries

Service	Current £		Proposed £		Other Councils 10/11 figures – residents
	Resident	Non-res	Resident	Non-res	
Purchase of a plot	140.00	280.00	150.00	300.00	Ballymoney £150
Up to 3 openings (per opening)	140.00	280.00	150.00	300.00	Ballymoney £160
Burials on Saturday, Sunday, Monday (am) and Bank Holidays (per opening)	140.00	280.00	150.00	300.00	Ballymoney £160
Ashes	30.00	60.00	50.00	100.00	Limavady £80

Stillborn / Children under 2 years	30.00	60.00	30.00	60.00	Ballymoney £46
Permission to erect memorial	40.00	40.00	50.00	60.00	Limavady £50
Duplicate certificate	5.00	10.00	10.00	20.00	Limavady £25
Tree for Garden of Remembrance	70.00	70.00	75.00	80.00	N/A
Plaque for Garden of Remembrance	70.00	70.00	75.00	80.00	Ballymoney £45 (£90 for non-residents)

2.6 For Information

Members noted information on the following topics, as detailed in the report:

- Coleraine West Community Centre
- Lodge Burn Scheme Phase 1 – Rivers Agency

3.0 TECHNICAL SERVICES' REPORT

The Report of the Director of Technical Services was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

3.1 Tender for Replacement Play Areas

It was agreed to discuss this item "In Committee" at the end of the meeting.

3.2 Building Control

3.2.1 Approvals

Members noted that approval had been granted for 42 applications.

3.2.2 Plans for Rejection under Building Regulations

Recommended:

That the application, as detailed in the report, be rejected under Schedule 2 of the Building Regulations (NI) 2000 due to insufficient information submitted.

3.3 For Information

3.3.1 North West Regional Waste Management Group (NWRWMG)

(a) NWRWMG Joint Committee

Members noted the minutes of the NWRWMG Joint Committee Meeting held on 13th October, 2010 and 3rd November, 2010 (previously supplied).

(b) Competitive Dialogue Tendering Process

Members noted information on this topic, as detailed in the report.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT

The Report of the Director of Environmental Health was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

4.1 Legal Proceedings

It was agreed to discuss this item "In Committee" at the end of the meeting.

4.2 National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme

The Senior Environmental Health Officer gave a brief presentation regarding this scheme and elaborated on various issues including:

- Rating levels
- Inspections
- Funding
- Benefits

The Senior Environmental Health Officer answered members' various questions.

4.3 Application for Financial Assistance – Fuel Stamp Saving Scheme

Consideration was given to information on this application, as detailed in the report.

Recommended:

On the proposal of Councillor McPherson and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick, that Council contribute £1,600 to St. Vincent de Paul, St. John's Conference in Coleraine to enable them to continue with the administration of the fuel stamp saving scheme.

4.4 Consultations

4.4.1 Review of Financial Assistance for Domestic Properties not served by Water Mains – Consultation November 2010

Consideration was given to information on this review, as detailed in the report.

Recommended:

On the proposal of Councillor McPherson and seconded by Councillor Cole, that Council support options 3 and 4 in principle, as detailed in the report, with discussion on the maximum level of grant available and that any grant aid be means tested and matched with the householders' ability to pay.

4.4.2 A Fit Future for All, Cross Department, Cross Sectoral, Obesity Prevention Framework for all Northern Ireland 2011 – 2021 – Consultation

Members with comments to be added to the response were asked to forward them to the Director of Environmental Health as soon as possible.

4.4.3 Consultation on the Pollution Prevention and Control (District Councils) Charging Scheme (Northern Ireland) 2011

Members with comments to be added to the response were asked to forward them to the Director of Environmental Health as soon as possible.

4.5 For Information

Members noted information on the following topics, as detailed in the report:

- Electric Blanket Testing
- Outcome of Legal Proceedings:

Defendant: Ms Paula Tohill
8 Lever Park
Portstewart

Offence: Dog attack on a person contrary to Article 29(i) of The Dogs (NI) Order 1983 as amended by The Dangerous Dogs (NI) Order 1991

Result:	Fine	£300 compensation to be paid to Mr. Farrell
	Legal Costs	£250
	Court Costs	£28

5.0 PLANNING BILL CONSULTATION EVENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Recommended:

That the Chair and Vice Chair of the Planning Committee attend this consultation event on Tuesday, 18th January, 2011 in the Glenavon Hotel, Cookstown.

6.0 WATER CRISIS

Members congratulated Officers from various departments for their proactive approach during the recent water crisis.

That Council write to the Divisional Planning Manager and the Minister for the Environment requesting a deferral on this application.

- 2.2 Application No. D2
C/2009/0409/LB
Alterations and extension to dwelling at 14 School Lane, Castlerock for Mr. and Mrs. H. McLean
- Application No. D3
C/2009/0413/F
Proposed refurbishment of existing dwelling and single storey rear extension at 14 School Lane, Castlerock for Mr. and Mrs. H. McLean
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve both applications.
- It was agreed that the applications be approved.
- 2.3 Application No. D4
C/2009/0565/F
Site for housing development adjacent to 15 Strandview Avenue, Portstewart for Messrs. O'Neill Associates Ltd.
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 2.4 Application No. D5
C/2010/0029/F
Proposed dwelling and garage 540m north of 91 Killyvalley Road, Garvagh for Mr. M. Clyde
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 2.5 Application No. D6
C/2010/0083/O
Site for dwelling beside 24 Creamery Road, Coleraine for Mr. I. Carson
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 2.6 Application No. D7
C/2010/0095/O
Proposed development for residential use at 18-20 Ballynameen Avenue, Garvagh for Mr. R. McFaul
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 2.7 Application No. D8
C/2010/0163/F
Proposed re-orientation of previously approved dwelling (C/2008/0503/RM) and new access drive on to existing lane adjacent to 51 Boleran Road, Garvagh for Mr. M. McKay
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.

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| 2.8 | <u>Application No. D9</u>
<u>C/2010/0398/O</u>
<u>Replacement of old dwelling with a bungalow 80m south of No. 125 Carhill Road, Swatragh, Maghera for Mr. J. O'Kane</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be withdrawn from the schedule to facilitate consultation with the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.</p> |
| 2.9 | <u>Application No. D10</u>
<u>C/2010/0444/F</u>
<u>Three prefabricated units forming an office/reception area, a dog rescue unit and an isolation unit, together with associated parking facilities and entrance alteration 100m east of 34 Ballymadigan Road, Castlerock for The Causeway Coast Dog Rescue Centre</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the decision be held for two weeks to facilitate the submission of further information or the option to withdraw.</p> |
| 2.10 | <u>Application No. D11</u>
<u>C/2010/0468/F</u>
<u>Proposed variation of condition No. 5 of outline planning approval Ref. C/2008/0515/O for increase in ridge height of approved dwelling at 100 Ballyreagh Road, Portstewart from 6.5m to 7m for Mr. R. Mitchell</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved.</p> |
| 2.11 | <u>Application No. D12</u>
<u>C/2010/0487/F</u>
<u>Proposed alterations to existing approved dwelling opposite No. 18 Ballyhome Road, Coleraine for Gormley Construction</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved.</p> |
| 2.12 | <u>Application No. D13</u>
<u>C/2010/0490/F</u>
<u>Proposed single storey dwelling on farm with detached double garage 30m south of No. 51 Moneygran Road, Kilrea for Mr. J. Gillen</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the decision be held for one week to facilitate further discussion with the applicant.</p> |

New Applications

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| 2.13 | <u>Application No. 1</u>
<u>C/2009/0073/F</u>
<u>Re-development of caravan park with 4 detached dwellings, 28 semi-detached dwellings, 21 apartments, 6 terraced dwellings, 1 townhouse, access roads, open space and landscaping at 80 Mill Road, Portstewart and construction of a right hand turning lane on Mill Road for Bonalston</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was proposed by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Alderman Mrs. Hickey and agreed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting on the grounds that all material planning</p> |
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Caravans Ltd.

considerations had not been assessed.

Comparative figures on apartment development across the twenty-six Council areas was requested for the office meeting.

2.14 Application No. 2
C/2010/0299/F
Erection of a 250Kw wind turbine (40m to hub, 56.5 to blade tip, 30m blade diameter). Grid Ref. 286321 413562 approximately 110m north east of 72 Kurin Road, Garvagh for Brian Scott Engineering Ltd.

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Church, seconded by Councillor Gilkinson and agreed:

That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting on the grounds that all material planning considerations had not been assessed.

It was further agreed that a representative from Natural Heritage be requested to attend.

2.15 Application No. 3
C/2010/0587/O
Proposed one-and-a-half storey retirement dwelling and domestic garage adjacent to 12 Ballindreen Road, Coleraine for Mr. N. King

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was proposed by Councillor McPherson, seconded by Councillor Bradley and agreed:

That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting on the grounds that all material planning considerations had not been assessed.

2.16 Application No. 4
C/2010/0588/O
Site for 2 dwellings (amended site address) between 142 and 144 Agivey Road, Coleraine for Mr. D. McAleese

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Loftus, seconded by Alderman Mrs. Hickey and agreed:

That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting on the grounds that all material planning considerations had not been assessed.

3.0 OFFICE MEETINGS

It was noted that the office meetings would be held on Friday 4 February 2011.

4.0 PLANNING APPEALS INFORMATION

Consideration was given to the Planning Appeals Report detailing the following (previously supplied):

4.1 Appeals Against Enforcement Notices

4.1.1 Alleged unauthorised use of land for a siting of a unit of residential accommodation making a material change in the use of the said lands – land at 14 Willan Drive, Portrush for Mrs. Yvonne Mulligan

It was noted that the above appeal had been heard on 8 December 2010 and had been successful.

4.1.2 Alleged unauthorised use of land for a stationing of a mobile home/ timber cabin, making a material change in the use of the said lands – land at No. 35 Dunboe Road, Castlerock, Coleraine for Mr. Robert Graham

Reported that an appeal had been received against the above enforcement notice.

It was noted that at the November Planning Committee meeting Council had agreed to support the appellant should an appeal be lodged.

5.0 PLANNING ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS

5.1 Ice House, Portballintrae

Reference was made to the work being carried out in the vicinity of the Ice House, Portballintrae and in particular at the Salmon Green. Mr. Duffy was asked if the conditions attached to the scheduled monument been adhered to.

Mr. Duffy advised that the work did not constitute development, therefore, no breach had been caused.

5.2 Corrstown House, Portstewart

Reference was again made to the state of Corrstown House, Portstewart and the fact that no reply had been received to correspondence sent to the NI Environment Agency.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms. Alexander, seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick and agreed:

That Council write to the Minister for the Environment expressing concern regarding this building not being protected.

5.3 Construction Industry

Reference was made to the reduction in the workload with regard to the

construction industry and the small number of planning applications presented on the schedule.

Mr. Duffy advised that applications were being processed through the streamline system and, therefore, did not appear on the schedule.

6.0 OPERATIONAL PLANNING PROCEDURES

Consideration was given to letter dated 14 December 2011 from the Chief Executive of the Planning and Local Government Group advising Council of the recent change in operational planning procedures which would help the handling of planning applications and improve overall efficiency (previously supplied).

The economic downturn had accentuated the difficulties in progressing backlogged major applications primarily because applicants were not providing the key additional information needed to progress these to a decision. The consequence was that Planning Service could only progress these applications to a decision through refusals based on the absence of key information.

In order for this initiative to be successful it was important for planning officials to work closely with Council on any issues which may arise in order to avoid unnecessary deferrals, office meetings and referrals which were extremely resource intensive.

Noted.

7.0 PLANNING BILL

Read letter from the Committee for the Environment advising members that Committee Stage of the Planning Bill had commenced. Submissions were invited before the closing date of Friday 21 January 2011.

It was agreed that BDF Planning prepare a Brief Note on the key issues on behalf of Council.

8.0 DRAFT PLANNING POLICY STATEMENT 16 - TOURISM

Reported that, following the Workshop held on 10 January 2010, BDF Planning was preparing a draft response and would welcome members' comments. The draft response would be considered at the February meeting of Committee.

9.0 PLANNING WORKING GROUP

Reported that the next meeting of the Planning Working Group would be held on Monday 17 January 2011.

NORTH WEST '200' COMMITTEE

13th January, 2011.

Present: The Mayor, Councillor N. F. Hillis

Alderman

W. T. Creelman

Councillors

B. Fitzpatrick

R. A. McPherson

Officers in Attendance:

Director of Environmental Health, Principal Environmental Health Officer, Refuse and Cleansing Manager, Head of Development Services, Public Relations Manager, Events Officer, Events Assistant, Licensing/Enforcement Officer and Administrative Assistant.

Representative from PSNI:

Inspector S. McCauley

Also in Attendance:

Mr. M. Whyte, Race Director
Mr. G. McAuley, Operations Manager
Mr. C. Harris, DRD Roads Service

1.0 WELCOME

The Director of Environmental Health welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2.0 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor McPherson, seconded by Alderman Creelman and agreed:

That Councillor Fitzpatrick be elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

3.0 MANAGEMENT TEAM FOR 2011 EVENT

Mr. Whyte introduced the new Operations Manager, Mr. Gerard McAuley, who then gave a brief summary of his background. Mr. Whyte updated Committee on the Management Team members and advised they were working on roles and responsibilities. He reported that the Management Team would be finalised shortly.

4.0 ROAD CLOSURES

Mr. Whyte advised that the road closure arrangements would be the same as last year. The roads would be closed on race day – Saturday, 21st May, practice night – Tuesday, 17th May and practice during the day on Thursday, 19th May.

The Refuse and Cleansing Manager advised that there would be a black bin refuse collection on Thursday, 19th May.

Mr Whyte advised that the same arrangements would be in place as last year for residents who required access to their properties.

5.0 TRANSFER OF COUNCIL LANDS

The Director of Environmental Health advised he had received the formal request from the Club and there was ongoing discussion with Council. Committee suggested that arrangements should be the same as last year subject to a business case being provided for each parcel of land.

6.0 STREET TRADING ARRANGEMENTS

The Licensing/Enforcement Officer advised that the Street Trading Committee had recommended that the following sites be approved:

Glenvale Avenue, Portrush	- 2
Mill Road, Portstewart	- 2
Atlantic Road, Coleraine	- 1
Ballysally Road Roundabout	- 6

7.0 CONTINENTAL MARKET

The Mayor advised he had received complaints from local traders who claimed they lost trade due to the Market and its location. Some traders had complained of items being sold which weren't classed as 'continental'. The Mayor suggested moving the Market to Lansdowne which would bring people further into the town.

The Licensing/Enforcement Officer advised she also had complaints about a trader at The Continental Market who was selling items which weren't classed as 'continental'. She also raised concern about alcohol being consumed outside the marquee when members of the public could be booked for on street drinking.

The Head of Development Services advised she was asked to carry out a survey around the Market and suggested meeting with the organisers and reporting back to Council.

Councillor McPherson suggested the Market be relocated and the topic discussed at a Council meeting. Mr. Whyte advised that the income from the Market helped to run the event and expressed disappointment that many local businesses made money out of the North West 200 event but they were not putting anything in.

The Licensing/Enforcement Officer referred to the Licensing Order and said there was a query last year if the Market could count as a function to obtain a Liquor Licence for the Marquee. She would check this with Inspector Magee.

The Chair advised that this issue would require further discussion to consider if other locations could be found or if a compromise could be found in terms of trading hours and the trading mix at the Metropole site before the next meeting.

8.0 CAMP SITES/CARAVAN PARKS/CAR PARKING

Mr. Whyte advised that these facilities would be the same as last year.

9.0 HOSPITALITY

Mr. Whyte advised that no decision had been taken regarding hospitality. He explained there could be a change from last year but would report back with information at the next meeting. The Licensing/Enforcement Officer advised she would need plans, as soon as possible, if the marquee was going to be changed.

10.0 CHARITY PARTNER

Mr. Whyte advised that eighteen applications had been received for the Charity Partner and following the selection process, it was awarded to The Caring Caretaker, Davy Boyle. Details would be announced next week.

11.0 SPONSORSHIP, GRANTS AND TENDERS

Mr. Whyte advised that he was hopeful last year's main sponsor, Relentless, would sponsor the event for two years with an option for a further two years. Details would be announced on 25th January at the Merchant Hotel, Belfast.

The tender process for hot food would be discussed when agreement arranged.

12.0 HEALTH & SAFETY

Mr. Whyte advised that Risk Assessments would be carried out within the next few weeks.

The Director of Environmental Health advised there would be a greater level of Health and Safety this year for both riders and spectators and other bodies would be involved in creating a safer environment for everyone.

13.0 RACE WEEK FESTIVAL

The Events Officer advised there would be a change to the stunt shows and it would move from Wednesday night to Thursday night. She expressed concern about the budget which would have to be discussed.

Mr. Whyte confirmed that the PSNI Road Policing Unit would be attending and the Bikesafe event would be held as in previous years.

The Chair suggested that the various websites: PSNI, Council, NW 200 could be linked. This would be arranged.

14.0 INSPECTIONS AND MANAGEMENT OF COUNCIL LANDS

The Licensing/Enforcement Officer enquired if there would be inspections with PSNI, Fire Service and Council on the Friday night as in previous years.

The Director of Environmental Health advised that various work would be going on including the management of Council lands and this work would continue as in previous years.

The Chair wished every success for this year's event and awaits date for next meeting.

POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

18th January, 2011

Present: Councillor R. A. McPherson, in the Chair
The Mayor, Councillor N. F. Hillis
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A. S. Cole

Aldermen

E. T. Black (Mrs.) (Items 1.0 – 5.3.1)	D. McClarty (Items 1.0 – 3.1)
W. T. Creelman	W. J. McClure
M. T. Hickey (Mrs.)	

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)	D. Harding (Items 1.0 – 5.3.1)
D. D. Barbour	W. A. King (Items 1.0 – 5.3.1)
J. M. Bradley	B. Leonard (Items 1.0 – 5.3.1)
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	R. A. Loftus (Mrs.)
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)	G. L. McLaughlin
B. Fitzpatrick	
S. Gilkinson	

Officers in Attendance: Director of Corporate Services, Head of Development Services, Head of Performance, Policy and Governance, Head of Leisure Services (Items 1.0 – 5.4.1), Economic Development Manager (Items 1.0 – 5.1), Community Development Manager (Items 1.0 – 2.1) and Administrative Assistant

Also in Attendance: Mr. Edward Montgomery, The Honourable The Irish Society (Item 1.0)

1.0 THE HONOURABLE THE IRISH SOCIETY - SUPPLEMENTAL CHARTER

The Mayor welcomed Mr. Edward Montgomery who was in attendance to address Council on The Honourable The Irish Society's plans to petition for a Supplemental Charter to the Society's 1662 Charter.

Mr. Montgomery outlined the work of the Society and highlighted the inadequacies of the current Charter in relation to its charitable role. He then requested the support of Council for the Society's petition.

Recommended:

On the proposal of the Mayor and seconded by Alderman McClure, that Council send a letter of support for the petition by The Honourable The Irish Society to the Privy Council.

Members thanked Mr. Montgomery for his presentation and paid tribute to the work of the Society in the County Londonderry area.

2.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES' REPORT

The Report of the Head of Development Services was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

2.1 Community Support Plan 2011-2012

Consideration was given to the Community Support Plan 2011-2012. Members noted that the total budget proposed for the Plan would be £244,340. It was hoped that funding of approximately £116,350 would be provided by the Department for Social Development, which would result in a net cost to Council of £227,943.

Recommended:

That Council approves the delivery of the Community Support Action Plan subject to funding from the Department for Social Development as outlined and the final budget to be agreed in Council's estimates process.

2.2 North East Rural Development Programme: Village Renewal

Preliminary applications for funding made for Garvagh and Castlerock under Measure 3.5 Village Renewal had been successful. Each area could now apply for funding up to a maximum of 75%, subject to match funding of 25% being secured. Funding to cover the 25% had been set aside within the 2011/12 Economic Development budget.

Agreed:

On the proposal of Councillor King and seconded by Councillor Gilkinson, that Council supports the match funding of up to 25% (£20,833) for each of the villages of Castlerock and Garvagh.

In response to a Member's question, it was advised that Kilrea Community Group had not been successful in their application to the NERDP. Council Officers would, however, work with the Group on a revised submission for the coming year.

2.3 Use of Portballintrae Car Park for Causeway Park and Ride

Members noted that a park and ride service was being organised by The National Trust to alleviate traffic at the Causeway over the next 18 months. A request had been made by the Causeway Site Manager for permission to use Portballintrae Car Park in the service over the periods March to June 2011, September to October 2011 and March to June 2012.

Concern was expressed that the car park would not be suitable for the scheme at weekends as it was already well utilised at such times.

Recommended:

That the Head of Development Services liaise with the National Trust on

the proposed scheme and report back to Committee.

2.4 Regional Development Strategy (RDS) 10 Year Review

Members noted that the Regional Planning and Transport Division of DRD is seeking views on this public consultation which is running from 6th January, 2011 to 31st March, 2011, as detailed in the report.

Councillor Leonard declared his involvement on the Regional Development Committee. Discussion then ensued during which Members' comments were noted by the Head of Development Services.

Recommended:

That Officers prepare a draft response to the Regional Development Strategy Review with the assistance of Fleming Mounstephen Planning Consultants.

2.5 For Information

Members noted information on the following topics, as contained in the report:

- I) Environmental Improvement Scheme, Station Square, Portrush – public consultation schemes – 2nd February, 2011 in Portrush Town Hall.
- II) North East PEACE III Action Plan – Phase 2.

3.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES' REPORT

The Report of the Head of Performance, Policy and Governance was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

3.1 Procurement Policy and Procedures

Consideration was given to information on this topic, as contained in the report, along with the Draft Procurement Policy and Procedures document (previously supplied).

A period of discussion ensued during which a change proposed to paragraph 5.12 was noted by the Head of Performance, Policy and Governance, who also identified the need for a formal review mechanism to be included in the document.

Recommended:

That Council endorses the recommendation of the Governance Working Group to adopt the Draft Procurement Policy and Procedures, subject to inclusion of the above changes and equality screening.

Members thanked the Head of Performance, Policy and Governance for his work in developing this policy.

3.2 Local Government Reform – Consultation on Policy Proposals

The Head of Performance, Policy and Governance outlined the key changes contained in this Department of the Environment consultation paper (previously supplied), deadline for response on which was Friday 11th March, 2011.

Recommended:

That Council endorses the recommendation of the Governance Working Group and convenes a workshop to consider a response to the document.

3.3 NILGA Consultation: Losing Democracy? An Exploration of the Relationship Between Central and Local Government

Consideration was given to this NILGA research document and to the suggested survey questionnaire drafted by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Governance Working Group. Comments are requested by NILGA by 21st January, 2011.

Members' comments were noted by the Head of Performance, Policy and Governance.

Recommended:

That Council endorses the recommendation of the Governance Working Group and approves the draft survey response to NILGA.

3.4 For Information

Members noted information on the Forecast of Key Council Events: January to February 2011, as contained in the report.

4.0 CORPORATE SERVICES' REPORT

The Report of the Director of Corporate Services was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

4.1 Review of Redundancy Policy

It was agreed that this item be considered 'In Committee' at the end of the meeting.

4.2 For Information

Members noted information on the undernoted topics, as contained in the report:

- (i) Financial Statement as at 30th November, 2010.
- (ii) Draft Minutes of Audit Committee meeting of 12th January, 2011.
- (iii) Accounts for December 2010.