



# COLERAINE BOROUGH COUNCIL

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of Coleraine Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on **TUESDAY** 22 May 2012 immediately following the Planning Committee Meeting.

R. WILSON

Town Clerk and Chief Executive

Cloonavin  
66 Portstewart Road  
COLERAINE

## A G E N D A

1. NE PEACE III Leadership in a Shared Society Project  
  
Presentation by Mr. Colin Neilands, Workers' Educational Association Information Paper and Expression of Interest Form (enclosed)
2. Minutes (enclosed):
  - 1.1 Council Meeting – 24 April 2012
3. Committee Reports (enclosed):
  - 3.1 Planning Committee – 24 April 2012
  - 3.2 Leisure and Environment Committee – 01 May 2012
  - 3.3 North West '200' Committee – 03 May 2012
  - 3.4 Policy and Development Committee – 15 May 2012
4. Correspondence, including inter alia:
  - (a) Notice of Motion (copy letter dated 16 April 2012 from Down District Council enclosed). **Decision required regarding support.**
  - (b) Reports available in Members' Library (List enclosed)
5. Consultation Documents (List enclosed)

6. Documents for Sealing

**Enclosed for Information:**

- i) Letter dated 23 April 2012 from the Northern Ireland Ambulance Service Health and Social Care Trust regarding Equality Screening Report 01 April – 31 December 2011
- ii) Letter dated 30 April 2012 from Carrickfergus Borough Council regarding the 2012 Somme Remembrance Parade and Service
- iii) Letter dated 03 May 2012 from the Department for Employment and Learning regarding the consultation response document in relation to Regulations to Prohibit the Blacklisting of Trade Unionists
- iv) NILGA Key Information Bulletin – 11 May 2012

To: Each Member of Council

18 May 2012

## COUNCIL MEETING

24th April, 2012.

**Present:** The Mayor, Alderman J. M. Bradley, in the Chair

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor W. A. King

### **Aldermen**

W. T. Creelman  
(Items 1.0 – 10.2.1)  
M. T. Hickey (Mrs.)

N. F. Hillis  
W. J. McClure

### **Councillors**

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)  
C. Archibald  
D. D. Barbour  
Y. Boyle (Ms.)  
A. S. Cole  
G. Duddy  
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)  
M. Fielding

B. Fitzpatrick  
D. Harding  
R. J. Holmes  
W. McCandless  
D. McClarty  
G. L. McLaughlin  
A. McQuillan

### **Officers in Attendance:**

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Corporate Director of Environmental Services, Corporate Director of Leisure and Development, Acting Head of Finance, Head of Performance, Policy and Governance, Head of Development Services, Principal Environmental Health Officer, Economic Development Manager, Economic Development Officer (Town Centre Management), Regeneration Manager and Administrative Assistant

**Apology:** Councillor Mrs. Loftus

## **1.0 WELCOME**

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

## **3.0 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2012 were confirmed and signed.

Matters arising:

### **3.1 Me and Mrs. Jones, 1 – 5 The Diamond, Portstewart**

Councillor Fielding referred to the result of the vote having been omitted from the

Minutes.

It was noted that twelve members had voted in favour of the proposal and three members had voted against.

#### **4.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **4.1 Planning Committee**

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

##### **4.2 Leisure and Environment Committee**

The Chairman, Councillor Cole, moved the adoption of the Leisure and Environment Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Barbour:

Matters arising:

###### **4.2.1 The High Hedges (NI) 2011**

Following a full discussion it was proposed by Councillor Duddy and seconded by Councillor McQuillan:

That the fee payable to Council to investigate a high hedge complaint be £250.00.

As an amendment it was proposed by Alderman Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Councillor Holmes:

That Council accept the recommendation of the Report.  
On being put to the Meeting the amendment was carried, twelve members voting in favour and nine members voting against.

##### **4.3 Policy and Development Committee Report**

The Vice Chairman, Councillor Fielding, moved the adoption of the Policy and Development Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick.

Matters arising:

###### **4.3.1 Apology**

It was noted that Councillor Barbour had submitted an apology which had not been recorded in the Minutes.

The Report was subsequently agreed subject to this amendment.

## **5.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT**

Consideration was given to the Development Services Report (previously supplied).

### **5.1 Specialist Business Accommodation**

The Head of Development Services advised members that an opportunity existed within an eighteen month timeframe to make application to Invest NI for funding if Council proposed to address the accommodation with some form of intervention.

The options considered were as follows:

- a. Foreign Direct Investment
- b. Incubation units
- c. Flexible workspace
- d. Do nothing

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Holmes and unanimously agreed:

That Council proceed with option 'c' - flexible workspace.

## **6.0 ZOMBA CITY COUNCIL**

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive read letter of appreciation from the Chief Executive of Zomba City Council regarding the Commonwealth Scholarship for Busta Chiona, Senior Disease Control Officer in the Environmental Health Department.

Thanks were also expressed for the provision of gifts presented by the Deputy Mayor and Councillor Ms. Boyle during their visit earlier in the month.

### **6.1 Visit to Zomba**

The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Ms. Boyle gave a short report on their recent trip when they had visited various projects.

## **7.0 DOCUMENTS TABLED**

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

## **8.0 CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS**

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.

## 9.0 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

1. Licence (in duplicate) Council to Rodney Worthington – Lease of shop premises at Juniper Hill Caravan Site, Ballyreagh Road, Portstewart
2. Release of a registered burden (re-execution of previously agreed Release) Council and O’Kane & Devine Construction Limited – Land and dwelling at 22 Portstewart Road, Coleraine
3. Conveyance (in duplicate) Council and Personal Representatives of Hugh McGarry (deceased) – Plot of ground adjacent to Antrim Gardens, Portrush
4. Deed of Release (in duplicate) together with (new) Lease (in duplicate) Council and Coleraine Royal British Legion – Land and premises at 6 Beresford Road, Coleraine
5. Cemetery Titles Grant of Right of Burial – Deeds Register No. 3862 – 3871 inclusive:

Agherton	1
Ballywillan	2
Coleraine	2
Kilrea	1
Portstewart	4

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

24<sup>th</sup> April, 2012.

**Present:** Alderman W. J. McClure in the Chair  
The Mayor, Alderman J. M. Bradley  
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor W. H. King

### **Aldermen**

W. T. Creelman  
M. T. Hickey (Mrs.)

N. F. Hillis

### **Councillors**

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)  
C. Archibald  
(Items 2.9 – 9.0)  
D. D. Barbour  
(Items 2.10 – 9.0)  
Y. Boyle (Ms.)  
A. S. Cole  
G. Duddy  
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)

M. Fielding  
B. Fitzpatrick  
D. Harding  
R. J. Holmes  
W. McCandless  
D. McClarty  
G. L. McLaughlin  
A. McQuillan

**Also in Attendance:** Representatives from the Planning Service – Mr. A. Brown  
and Mr. M. Wilson

**Officers in Attendance:** Principal Administrative Officer, Principal Environmental  
Health Officer and Administrative Assistant

**Apology:** Councillor Mrs. Loftus

## **1.0 WELCOME**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Meeting including visitors in the public gallery and press officers.

## **2.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

A list of twenty four applications was presented for consideration (previously supplied).

### **Applications Deferred from Previous Meeting**

2.1      Application No. D1      The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
C/2010/0281/F

- Proposed 225kw wind turbine (30m to hub, 38m to blade tip, 16m blade diameter, 70m south-west of 56 Ballinteer Road, Macosquin for Mr. J. Christie
- It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Holmes and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate the receipt of further information.
- 2.2 Application No. D2 C/2011/0398/O  
Extension to shop at petrol station, two new detached retail units, one new fuel island with extended canopy over and provision of additional car parking facilities at 26 Garvagh Road, Kilrea for Kilrea Service Station Ltd.
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Cole and unanimously agreed:
- That Council support the application in the event of an appeal.
- 2.3 Application No. D3 C/2011/0472/O  
Proposed site for two- storey infill/rounding off dwelling at Warnocks Lane, Coleraine (opposite nos 18 and 20 and 22 Warnocks Lane for Mr. K. Stafford
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Harding, seconded by the Deputy Mayor and agreed:
- That the application be held for two weeks to facilitate the receipt of further information.
- 2.4 Application No. D4 C/2011/0507/F  
Rear extension – ground floor, first floor and attic at 7 Central Avenue, Portstewart for Mr. and Mrs. Gibson
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 2.5 Application No. D5 C/2011/0513/F  
Erection of 2 storey dwelling (revised proposal) 40m north-east of 1 Turnberry Mews, Portstewart for Mr. A. Bradley
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 2.6 Application No. D6 C/2011/0522/O  
Proposed 2 storey farm dwelling and detached garage at land 220m south-east of 34 Ballymadigan Road,
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse Application No. C/2011/0522/O and approve Application No. C/2011/0531/O.
- It was agreed that Application No. C/2011/0531/O be approved.



Castlerock for  
Mr. J. Thompson

Application No. D7  
C/2011/0531/O  
1 no new farm dwelling and  
garage at land 50m south-east  
of 30 Ballymadigan Road,  
Castlerock for  
Mr. R. N. Thompson

It was proposed by Councillor McQuillan and seconded by Councillor Duddy:

That Council support Application No. C/2011/0522/O in the event of an appeal.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, eleven members voting in favour and no one voting against.

### **New Applications**

- 2.7 Application No. 2  
C/2010/0493/F  
Vestas V27/225kw wind  
turbine with 30m hub  
approximately 350m south-  
west of 9 Loguestown Road,  
Coleraine for  
Doherty Bros.
- 2.8 Application No. 3  
C/2010/0632/F  
Erection of a single 250kw  
wind turbine of 32m tower  
height (47m to tip) at  
Craigmore Landfill Site,  
Ringsend, Garvagh for  
Coleraine Skip Hire and  
Recycling Ltd
- 2.9 Application No. 4  
C/2011/0149/F  
Proposed wind turbine, 1  
Endurance e3120 50kw turbine  
(36.4m to hub height with a  
tube tower construction) to  
support existing farm business  
220m east of 161 Carrowreagh

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Holmes 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.

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was proposed by Alderman Mrs. Hickey, seconded by Councillor McQuillan 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.

Councillor Cole asked to be recorded as supporting the opinion of the Planning Service.

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was proposed by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor McQuillan and agreed:

That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting on the grounds

- Road, Moneydig, Garvagh for Mr. U. Torrens that all material planning considerations had not been assessed.
- 2.10 Application No. 8 C/2011/0469/F  
Proposed change of house type to previously approved dwelling and garage (C/2008/0591/F) 100m south-east of 40 Lisnagrot Road, Kilrea for Mr. P. McKillop The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
 It was proposed by Alderman Mrs. Hickey, seconded by Councillor McLaughlin 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.
- 2.11 Application No. 10 C/2012/0017/F  
Removal of existing hall and replacement of same with a new single storey hall with new private car park for use by patrons at 53 Agivey Road, Movanagher, Kilrea for Mullan A. O. H. (Div. 378) The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  
 It was proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Cole 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.
- 2.12 Application No. 12 C/2012/0047/F  
Change of use from retail shop to Doughnut shop/takeaway at 51 The Promenade, Portstewart for Mr. N. Johnston The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse both applications.  
 Consideration was given to copy letters dated 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2011 and 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2012 from Mrs. R. Fulton (previously supplied).  
 It was proposed by Alderman Hillis and seconded by Councillor Holmes:  
 That the applications be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting on the grounds that all material planning considerations had not been assessed.
- Application No. 13 C/2012/0049/A  
Signage: Above door fascia signage, vertical visage, projecting signage at 51 The Promenade, Portstewart for Mr. N. Johnston As an amendment it was proposed by The Mayor and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Fielding:  
 That Council support refusal

of both applications.

On being put to the Meeting the amendment was carried, fourteen members voting in favour and four members voting against.

Councillor Cole asked to be recorded as supporting the opinion of the Planning Service.

2.13 Application No. 14  
C/2012/0053/F  
Proposed addition of a  
Lancaster Cabinet measuring  
1900w x 800d x 1645h for  
U900 equipment to improve  
capacity issues at 02 Radio  
Base Station at rear of footpath  
at junction of Dunhill Road  
and Castleroe Road, Coleraine  
for Telefonica (UK) Limited

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was proposed by Councillor McClarty, 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.

2.14 Application No. 15  
C/2012/0055/F  
Retention of agricultural shed  
at lands adjacent to 6a Carragh  
Road, Bushmills for Mr. J.  
Nicholl

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was proposed by Councillor Harding and seconded by The Mayor:

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.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, ten members voting in favour and seven members voting against.

### **3.0 OFFICE MEETINGS**

It was noted that the office meetings would be held on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2012.

### **4.0 PLANNING OFFICER**

It was noted that Mr. Michael Wilson would be attending future Meetings as Mr. Brown was moving to another section of the Planning Service.

Members expressed thanks to Mr. Brown for his assistance.

## **5.0 GENERAL PLANNING ISSUES**

### **5.1 Council's Permitted Development Rights**

Councillor Ms. Alexander requested information with regard to Council's permitted development rights.

Mr. Brown detailed some of the aspects and would forward the legislation to Councillor Ms. Alexander.

## **6.0 DRAFT NORTHERN AREA PLAN - PUBLIC EXAMINATION**

Consideration was given to the Summary Paper prepared by FM Planning (previously circulated).

The Principal Administrative Officer outlined the content of the summary including the next stages of the process resulting in a final version of the Area Plan probably late 2014.

Members expressed concern at the time frame of 2016 for the existing Plan and following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Ms. Alexander and seconded by Alderman Mrs. Hickey:

That the Divisional Planning Manager be invited to attend a future Meeting of Committee to discuss this matter further.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, fourteen members voting in favour and no one voting against.

## **7.0 STRATEGIC PLANNING - PRESENTATION**

Consideration was given to letter dated 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2012 from Strategic Planning requesting an opportunity to make a presentation to Council on behalf of renewable energy provider Simple Power Ltd. (previously supplied).

It was agreed that Council facilitate a presentation at the Planning Committee Meeting to be held on 22nd May 2012.

## **8.0 NORTHERN IRELAND ENVIRONMENT AGENCY - LISTED BUILDINGS**

Consideration was given to letter dated 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2012 from the Northern Ireland Environment Agency in response to Council's concerns regarding the condition of listed buildings in the Borough.

Members noted the short update provided on each of the buildings identified at risk and noted also, that subject to the budget allocation, survey work by the Built Heritage Directorate would be carried out in the area during 2012/13.

## **9.0 THANKS**

The Chairman thanked Mr. Brown for all his help and wished him well. Mr. Brown thanked members for their kind words.

## LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

1<sup>st</sup> May, 2012.

**Present:** Councillor A. S. Cole, in the Chair  
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor W. A. King

### **Aldermen**

W. T. Creelman                      N. F. Hillis  
M. T. Hickey (Mrs.)                W. J. McClure

### **Councillors**

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) D. Harding  
(Items 1.0 – 12.0)                      R. J. Holmes  
D. D. Barbour                      R. A. Loftus (Mrs.)  
Y. Boyle (Ms.)                      W. McCandless  
G. Duddy                              D. McClarty  
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)                G. L. McLaughlin  
M. Fielding                            A. McQuillan  
B. Fitzpatrick

### **Officers in Attendance:**

Corporate Director of Environmental Services, Corporate Director of Leisure and Development and Administrative Assistant.

**Apology:** The Mayor

### **1.0 WELCOME**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **2.0 DIGITAL SWITCHOVER**

Representatives from Digital UK were in attendance to give a presentation on the digital switchover. Mr. Denis Wolinski, Regional Manager and Mr. Nigel Tilson, NI Help Scheme Manager briefed members on the switchover and highlighted the following:

- Two stage process – 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2012
- Switchover Help Scheme
- Two options available in NI

The representatives answered members' various questions after which they withdrew from the meeting.

### **3.0 "IN COMMITTEE"**

It was agreed to discuss items to be heard "In Committee" at the end of the meeting.

#### **4.0 SYMPATHY**

The Deputy Mayor and members extended sympathy to the Acheson family following the death of Mr. Bertie Acheson as a result of a burglary. Committee appealed to members of the public to pass any information to the PSNI.

A member referred to a strip of land near Mr. Acheson's house and asked that Council make it secure so that it cannot be used for antisocial behaviour. The Corporate Director of Environmental Services advised he would look into the matter.

#### **5.0 LEISURE SERVICES' REPORT**

The Report of the Corporate Director of Leisure and Development was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

##### **5.1 For Information**

###### **5.1.1 Market Yard Conservation Works**

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

A member advised there was a problem with the ownership of a piece of land. The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development advised he would report back on this at a later date.

###### **5.1.2 NE Peace III 'Walking the Colours'**

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

###### **5.1.3 Diamond Jubilee Grants**

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

###### **5.1.4 Olympic Festival – Two week programme**

Members noted information on this topic, as detailed in the report. Members also noted that tickets would be distributed on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2012 at the Jim Watt Sports Centre, Garvagh, Coleraine Leisure Centre and Portstewart Town Hall.

###### **5.1.5 North West Festival**

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

A member referred to the Irish Open Golf Tournament and requested an update on a traffic management report. The Chairman advised that this item would be discussed at the next Policy and Development Committee Meeting. The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development advised that more information would be released at the launch on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2012.

### **5.1.6 RNLI Raft Race**

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

### **5.1.7 WPGF – World Police and Fire Games 2013**

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

## **6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES' REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

### **6.1 Entertainment Licences**

#### **6.1.1 The Turn Inn, 33 Main Street, Garvagh**

An application for a grant of an Entertainment Licence had been received from Ms. W. Smyth.

Days and times on which it is intended to provide entertainment:

Monday-Saturday - 11.30 a.m. – 11.00 p.m. except on those occasions when a late licence has been granted 11.30 a.m. – 1.00 a.m.

Sunday 12.30 p.m. – 10.00 p.m.

#### **Recommended:**

That the Entertainment Licence be granted subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Council's licensing department inclusive of the following special conditions:

- All requirements as contained within Night Safe Coleraine Code of Best Practice 2008.
- All door supervisors employed must be licensed with a scheme recognised by Coleraine Borough Council.

#### **6.1.2 Irish Open Golf Championship, Royal Portrush Golf Club, Dunluce Road, Portrush**

An application for a grant of an occasional Entertainment Licence, in respect of three marquees, had been received from Ms. W. Erskine.

Days and times on which it is intended to provide entertainment:

Saturday/Sunday, 2nd/3rd June, 2012 11.30 a.m. – 1.00 a.m. (Jubilee Ball)

Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> June until Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> June inclusive 11.30 a.m. – 1.00 a.m.

Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2012 12.30 p.m. - midnight

#### **Recommended:**



That the occasional Entertainment Licence be granted subject to the following:

- No representations being received inside the 28 day period.
- No PSNI objection.
- Compliance with NIF&RS report.
- All door supervisors employed must be licensed with a scheme recognised by Coleraine Borough Council.

### **6.1.3 Coleraine Young Farmers' Club, Garage/Store, 74 Ballinteer Road, Macosquin, Coleraine**

An application for a grant of an occasional Entertainment Licence had been received from Miss Kathryn Smyth.

Days and times on which it is intended to provide entertainment:

Saturday/Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> June, 2012 7.00 p.m. – 1.00 a.m.

#### **Recommended:**

That the occasional Entertainment Licence be granted subject to the following:

- Compliance with NIF&RS Report.
- All door supervisors employed must be licensed with a scheme recognised by Coleraine Borough Council.

### **6.2 Enforcement Policy**

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

#### **Recommended:**

That Council approve the revised Enforcement Policy dated May 2012 as per Appendix II of the report.

### **6.3 For Information**

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

- Sale of Part Worn Tyres within Coleraine Borough Council  
The Motor Vehicle Tyres (Safety) Regulations 1994 (as amended)
- Proposed Grant Scheme for Private Borewells
- Building Control
- North Waste Regional Waste Management Group Minutes - 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2012

## **7.0 WASTE MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP**

Consideration was given to the minutes of the Waste Management Working Group of 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2012.

### **Recommended:**

On the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick and seconded by Councillor Duddy, that Council approve the minutes.

## **8.0 REGIONAL REVIEW OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE IN NORTHERN IRELAND**

The Corporate Director of Environmental Services referred to a recent meeting at which the Regional Review of Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland was discussed and advised members that Mr. Donaghy, Chief Executive, NH&SCT would be returning for further discussion on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2012 at 6.30 p.m. He urged as many members as possible to attend this important meeting.

## **9.0 SPONSORSHIP OF ROUNDABOUTS**

Further to a member's query regarding the sponsorship of Bushmills Road Roundabout, the Corporate Director of Leisure and Development advised he would look into the matter.

## **10.0 CASTLEROCK BOWLING CLUB**

Further to a member's query regarding the provision of lighting at Castlerock Bowling Club, the Corporate Director of Leisure and Development advised he would discuss the matter with the member after the meeting.

## **11.0 PORTRUSH REGENERATION SCHEME**

Further to a member's query, the Corporate Director of Leisure and Development advised that this scheme would be discussed at a future meeting.

## **NORTH WEST '200' COMMITTEE**

**3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2012.**

**Present:** Alderman Creelman, in the Chair

### **Alderman**

N. F. Hillis

### **Councillors**

E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)                      B. Fitzpatrick

**Officers in Attendance:** Principal Environmental Health Officer, Events Assistant and Administrative Assistant.

**Representative from PSNI:** Inspector S. McCauley

**Also in Attendance:** Mr. M. Whyte, Technical Director, North West '200'  
Mr. G. McAuley, Operations Manager, North West '200'

**Apologies:** Alderman Mrs. Hickey, Councillor Barbour, Refuse and Cleansing Manager, Outdoor Recreation Manager, Licensing/Enforcement Officer, Chief Inspector Thompson and Events Officer

### **1.0 WELCOME**

Alderman Creelman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **2.0 MINUTES OF MEETING OF 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2012**

The minutes of meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2012 were agreed.

### **3.0 ROAD CLOSURES - PR AND ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS**

Mr. Whyte advised he had received confirmation of the road closures. He also advised that access routes around the course were detailed on the North West '200' website. A press release would be issued and the access routes would be highlighted again.

### **4.0 TRANSFER OF COUNCIL LANDS**

The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised that the transfer of lands had been dealt with.

## **5.0 CAMP SITES AND CAR PARKING**

Mr. Whyte confirmed that the official camp site was at Blair's Caravan Park.

The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised that there was an issue with lights at the camp site and Mr. Colin Mairs would have to liaise with residents.

The Principal Environmental Health Officer referred to land on Ballyreagh Road, previously used as a family camp site, but now to be used for car parking only by the club and queried how it would be managed on Friday night in relation to unauthorised camping. Mr. Whyte advised that the car park would be open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday for use as an official car park for the club and would be locked at other times. He also advised he could arrange security personnel to patrol the area on Friday night/Saturday morning. The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised she would liaise with the adjoining land owner to ascertain what arrangements he had in place.

The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised she would liaise with the manageress of The Ramada in relation to the opening of the Inn on the Coast.

## **6.0 STREET TRADERS**

The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised that following advertisement of eleven sites at the four street trading locations, four complete applications were received and several were returned because they did not meet the criteria. One trader attended the lottery and was allocated Glenvale Avenue, therefore, ten trading sites have still to be allocated. Two traders have since resubmitted their application and now meet the criteria.

It was agreed that all traders, meeting the criteria, be entered into a lottery for the ten remaining trading sites and a location picked for them.

The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised that independent people were required to scrutinise the lottery and she would ask the Licensing/Enforcement Officer to liaise with the Chairman.

## **7.0 HOSPITALITY**

Mr. Whyte gave an update on the hospitality arrangements and informed Committee that numbers were up from last year. He advised that the marquee would be open to the public on Saturday night, at stages, depending on capacity.

## **8.0 SPONSORSHIP**

Mr. Whyte advised Committee of two new sponsors; Vauxhall, sponsors of the Supertwin Race and LiveWire AV Solutions, sponsors of the Superstock Race. He also advised that the sponsors from last year were still on board.

## **9.0 HEALTH & SAFETY**

Mr. McAuley updated Committee on Health and Safety matters.

#### **10.0 RACE WEEK FESTIVAL**

The Events Assistant gave an update on the Race Week Festival and advised Committee of extra events.

#### **11.0 POST RACE CLEAN-UP/RECYCLING**

The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised that arrangements were in place for the post race clean-up and recycling.

#### **12.0 DRD ROADS SERVICE**

Mr. Whyte conveyed thanks to DRD Roads Service and Central Government for their help and praised them for their excellent co-operation with the event.

#### **13.0 BIG SCREEN**

Mr. Whyte advised that a big screen would be put in place at the Metropole and would be used on Thursday and Saturday.

#### **14.0 THANKS**

Mr. Whyte referred to various meetings with Council and the many agencies involved in the event and passed on his thanks.

#### **15.0 LIVE TV COVERAGE**

Mr. Whyte advised that the races would not be shown live on TV and he would announce this and place it on the website.

#### **16.0 STEWARDSHIP OF COUNCIL LAND**

The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised that officers would be on duty as in previous years.

#### **17.0 BIN COLLECTIONS**

The Principal Environmental Health Officer advised that the refuse collection due on the Thursday would be collected on Wednesday and residents had been informed.

## **POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**15 May 2012**

**Present:** Councillor D D Barbour, in the Chair  
The Mayor, Alderman J M Bradley  
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor W A King

### **Aldermen**

W T Creelman  
M T Hickey (Mrs)

N F Hillis  
W J McClure

### **Councillors**

C S Alexander (Ms)  
C Archibald  
Y Boyle (Ms)  
A S Cole  
G Duddy  
E P Fielding (Mrs)  
(Items 1.0 – 2.5)  
M Fielding  
(Items 1.0 – 2.5)

D Harding  
(Items 2.1 – 8.0)  
R J Holmes  
R A Loftus (Mrs)  
W McCandless  
D McClarty  
A McQuillan  
(Items 1.0 – 2.1)

### **Officers in Attendance:**

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Corporate Director of Leisure and Development, Head of Performance, Policy and Governance (Items 2.1 – 8.0) , Head of Development Services, Acting Head of Finance, Economic Development Manager (Items 1.0 – 2.6), Neighbourhood Renewal Manager (Items 1.0 – 2.2) and Administrative Assistant

### **Also in Attendance:**

Mr Alastair Hamilton, Chief Executive, Mr Des Gartland, Manager, North Western Office and Ms Shelley Pinkerton, Client Manager, Clients Group and Entrepreneurship, Invest NI (Items 1.0 - 2.1).

Mr Martin Duffy, Moore Stephens (Items 1.0 - 2.2).

### **Apology:**

Councillor McLaughlin

## **1.0 THANKS**

The Chairman highlighted that this would be the last meeting of the Policy and Development Committee before the Annual Meeting and thanked the Mayor, Council Members and Officers for their support during his term as Chairman.

## **2.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES' REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

### **2.1 Invest Northern Ireland (Invest NI)**

The Chairman welcome Mr Alastair Hamilton, Mr Des Gartland and Ms Shelley Pinkerton who were in attendance to update Committee on the work of Invest NI.

Mr Hamilton outlined the areas of work in which Invest NI was involved and provided information on historical offers, assistance and investment patterns; and outcomes from the 2008-2011 Programme for Government including a breakdown of jobs promoted and customer satisfaction over the period. He then advised on the targets arising from the Programme for Government 2011-2015 and highlighted key themes including challenges faced; a new operating model for supporting customer segmentation; assistance available for business; and specific and future measures for partnership working with Coleraine Borough Council.

During a period of discussion, Mr Hamilton answered Members' questions in relation to intellectual property; the manufacturing sector; the Business Start-up Scheme; town centre development; and support and benefits available to firms to encourage them to set up in Northern Ireland. In response to Members' requests Mr Hamilton agreed to provide further information on the work of Invest NI for their information.

Mr Hamilton asked that his appreciation for the work and professionalism of Council Members and Officers who attended the recent House of Lords event be put on record. He reported that good feedback from the event was being received and would be built upon.

Members thanked Mr Hamilton for his comprehensive presentation and responses to questions. Thanks were also expressed to Ms Shelley Pinkerton for her work in the Borough.

### **2.2 King George VI Hall Options Appraisal**

The Chairman welcomed Mr Martin Duffy who was in attendance to present the findings of the options appraisal carried out on the site of the King George VI Hall.

Mr Duffy outlined the context for the work including the terms of reference, process followed, evaluation of options and options assessed as being most viable, as contained in the report (previously supplied).

#### **Recommended:**

On the proposal of Councillor McCandless and seconded by the Mayor, that Council agrees to:

- i) Clear and make safe the site.
- ii) Retain the site for a few years during which time declarations of

interest would be assessed and the greatest social need determined.

### **2.3 Exploring Enterprise Programme**

Consideration was given to information on the Exploring Enterprise Programme, as contained in the report.

#### **Recommended:**

That Council contributes £5,000 match funding to the Causeway Enterprise Agency.

### **2.4 Public Consultation on the Future Operation of the Office of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland (OPONI)**

Consideration was given to a draft response to this Consultation based on prior experience of the operation of the District Policing Partnership and Community Safety Partnership.

A period of discussion ensued during which it was proposed by Councillor Holmes and seconded by Councillor Duddy:

That the post of Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland should be open to all applicants irrespective of background.

It was proposed, as an amendment, by Alderman Mrs Hickey and seconded by Councillor Ms Boyle:

That those with a Northern Ireland policing background should be excluded from applying for the post.

On being put to the meeting, the amendment was lost with five votes in favour and twelve votes against.

#### **Recommended:**

With eleven votes in favour and five votes against, that Council approves the response to the Police Ombudsman consultation process subject to inclusion of the opinion that the post of Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland should be open to all applicants irrespective of background.

### **2.5 London Investment Event Update**

The Head of Development Services updated Committee on the recent event at the House of Lords which had been attended by the Northern Ireland Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Investment and the Minister of State. The purpose of the event was to attract the interest of potential Investors to Coleraine and a number of local business people had also attended to show their support.



Members viewed the DVD which had been presented to potential investors at the event which showcased the benefits of Coleraine as the 'Digital Causeway'.

It was noted that feedback from the event to date had been positive, with follow up contact planned. Members would be kept updated on developments.

The Mayor expressed his congratulations to Officers for the work carried out in organising the event and the representation made on the night. He also extended thanks to Lord Ballyedmond for his sponsorship.

## **2.6 For Information**

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

- i) Business Support Events:
  - 16 May 2012 – Employers Breakfast at The Royal Court Hotel.
  - 14 June 2012 – Procurement event for local businesses.
- ii) Community Festival Fund Applications 2012-2013.

## **3.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

### **3.1 Finance**

#### **3.1.1 Special Responsibility Allowance**

Attention was drawn to the Department of the Environment (DOE) Circular LG05/12 – "Guidance on Councillors Allowances – March 2012" (previously supplied), the key points of which were outlined by the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

Following the refusal of the Department to grant an extension to Council's current arrangement for Special Responsibility Allowances, it had not been possible to pay Members Special Responsibility Allowances for the month of April.

Members were reminded that a review of Council's governance structure was planned for later in the year. In the interim, a revised scheme of Special Responsibility Allowances had been considered by the Governance Working Group on 3 May 2012, as contained in the report.

#### **Recommended:**

On the proposal of Councillor Mrs Loftus and seconded by the Mayor, that Council approves the revised scheme of Special Responsibility Allowances with effect from 1 April 2012 subject to further appraisal following completion of the review of governance arrangements.

Further, that the Scheme of Allowances Payable to Councillors (previously

supplied) be adopted.

### 3.1.2 For Information

Members noted that Accounts for April 2012 had been previously circulated.

## 3.2 Members' Services

### 3.2.1 Leisure and Environment Committee – June

Consideration was given to details of upcoming Bank Holidays and Council presentations which would impact on the scheduled date of the June meeting of the Leisure and Environment Committee, as contained in the report.

#### **Recommended:**

That the Leisure and Environment Committee meeting on 6 June 2012 be cancelled and that any urgent issues be brought to the June meeting of Council.

### 3.2.2 For Information

Members noted information on the Forecast of Events, as contained in the report Members' attention was drawn to the 'Transforming Your Care' Workshop on 16 May 2012, which would be attended by Mr S Donaghy, Chief Executive of the Northern Health and Social Care Trust.

## 3.3 Irish Open Golf Competition

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development updated Members on developments with arrangements for the Irish Open Golf Competition including festival; trade preparation; physical presentation of the area; traffic and transport management plan; parking capacity; and travel arrangements.

Members noted that developments of arrangements for the Irish Open were formulated and discussed at a weekly meeting of Council Officers. Arrangements would be made for Members to attend one of these meetings.

## 4.0 ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANNUAL MEETING 2012

### 4.1 Date

#### **Recommended:**

That, in accordance with Standing Order 1.1(2), the 2012 Annual Meeting be held on Monday 11 June 2012 at 6.30 pm.

### 4.2 For Information

Members noted information on Appointments, as contained in the report.

#### **4.3 Appointment of Representatives**

Members noted that proposals for change would be presented to Council in Autumn 2012 following a review of the Committee structure.

##### **Recommended:**

That Council retains the existing system of appointment in the interim, as detailed in the report, with the proviso that any party may change its member(s).

#### **5.0 LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ORGANISATION BILL**

Read letter dated 27 March 2012 from the Chief Executive of the Northern Ireland Local Government Association (NILGA) along with a Press Release dated 29 February 2012 (previously supplied).

A period of discussion ensued during which reference was made to a lack of clarity about NILGA's role in the Review of Public Administration process. The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that the Chief Executive of NILGA had previously expressed an interest in making a presentation to Council.

##### **Recommended:**

- i) That Council supports the view that defined and substantial investment needs to be enabled by Central Government to meet key upfront costs required for Local Government Reform.
- ii) That the Chief Executive of NILGA be invited to address Council.

#### **6.0 LOUGH NEAGH WATER LEVEL MANAGEMENT**

Read letter dated 1 May 2012 from the Ulster Farmers' Union inviting a representative from Council to attend a meeting to discuss farmers' concerns with the current operational water levels of Lough Neagh and the effects on their businesses.

##### **Recommended:**

On the proposal of Councillor Holmes and seconded by Councillor McClarty, that the Deputy Mayor attend on behalf of Council.

#### **7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME - STATION SQUARE, PORTRUSH**

Reference was made to a previous Council decision on this issue and the accuracy of information provided on the height of the structure was queried.

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development outlined the consultation process which had taken place during March 2010 – March 2011 on the design of the scheme. The design was then tabled on 7 January 2011 and drawings approved by the Planning Service on 20 June 2011. The Paul Hogarth Company had developed the scheme and had advised it was built in accordance with the approved drawings. Completion of the scheme was forecasted within twenty five working days.

A lengthy discussion ensued during which Councillor Ms Alexander asked that her opposition to the structure at Station Square be recorded. Councillor Ms Alexander then tabled 'before' and 'after' photographs of the scheme. In response to further queries about the height of the build, it was reiterated by both the Corporate Director of Leisure and Development and the Town Clerk and Chief Executive that the scheme had been constructed in accordance with the approved plans and that this had been confirmed by the Paul Hogarth Company and Council's Technical Services.

It was then proposed by Councillor Ms Alexander and seconded by Councillor Ms Boyle:

That Council takes steps to reduce the height of the concrete structure to the height agreed on the plans.

A number of Members expressed their sympathies with residents of Kerr Street who were objecting to this scheme and referred to a previous offer to reduce the height of the build, which had been rejected.

At this point in the meeting it was advised that the decision taken by Council on 24 April 2012 could only be challenged by a rescinding motion signed by five Members.

**Recommended:**

On the proposal of the Mayor and seconded by Councillor McClarty that, as no rescinding motion had been tabled, Committee move onto the next business.

A further proposal by Councillor Ms Alexander that an independent investigation be undertaken to measure the structure against the approved plans, failed to find a seconder.

**8.0 SPECIALITY MARKET**

In response to a Member's query, the Head of Development Services advised that the Coleraine Speciality Market took place on a monthly basis except on special occasions when a second market might be held.