



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** 26 June 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. Minutes (enclosed):
 - 1.1 Council Meeting – 22 May 2012
Item 10.1.1* The Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions (NI) Order 1985 - The Playhouse, 47 Main Street, Portrush
(In Committee)
 - 1.2 Annual Meeting – 11 June 2012
 - 1.3 Special Meeting – 12 June 2012
2. Committee Reports (enclosed):
 - 2.1 Planning Committee – 22 May 2012
 - 2.2 Policy and Development Committee – 19 June 2012
3. Causeway Volunteer Centre – Bid to Deliver North Volunteering Strategy
Ms. Ann McNickle, Causeway Volunteer Centre, will address Council
4. Environmental Services Report (enclosed)
Item 5.1* Craigahulliar Landfill Site Phase 2 Capping **(In Committee)**
For Information:
Item 5.2* 800 Seacoast Road, Downhill **(In Committee)**
5. Leisure Services' Report (enclosed)

6. Correspondence, including inter alia:
 - a) Participation Policy Statement of Intent (copy letter dated 25 May 2012 and copy Statement of Intent from Northern Ireland Commissioner for Children and Young People enclosed)
Decision required regarding endorsement of Statement.
 - (b) Campaign for a medal of recognition for the Veterans of the Arctic Convoys during World War II (copy letter dated 14 June from Newtownabbey Borough Council enclosed)
Decision required regarding support.
 - (c) Local Government Reform Motion (copy letters dated 15 June 2012 from Strabane District Council enclosed)
Decision required regarding support.
 - (d) Funding application under the Northern Ireland Rural Development Programme North East Region (copy letter received 20 June 2012 from The Coast Office Society Ltd. enclosed)
Decision required regarding support.
 - (e) Reports available in Members' Library (List enclosed)
7. Consultation Documents (List enclosed)
8. Documents for Sealing

Enclosed for Information:

- i) 'On the Move' (Summer 2012) – The Official Magazine of the Department for Regional Development

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

COUNCIL MEETING

22nd May, 2012.

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

Aldermen

W. T. Creelman
N. F. Hillis

W. J. McClure

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
(Items 3.0 – 11.0)
C. Archibald
D. D. Barbour
(Items 1.0 – 7.0)
Y. Boyle (Ms.)
A. S. Cole
G. Duddy
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)

M. Fielding
B. Fitzpatrick
D. Harding
R. J. Holmes
R. A. Loftus (Mrs.)
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, Head of Performance, Policy and Governance, Acting Head of Finance, Head of Development and Clerical Assistant

Apology:

Alderman Mrs. Hickey

1.0 WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

2.0 SYMPATHIES

The Mayor expressed sympathy to the family of Mark Buckley, who had been tragically killed during the North West 200 Races and asked that a letter be sent to Mr. Buckley's family extending Council's condolences. He also expressed sympathy at the death of Ms. Colette Ward, former Human Resources Manager who had died at the weekend. As a mark of respect, a minute's silence was held.

3.0 NORTH EAST PEACE III LEADERSHIP IN A SHARED SOCIETY PROJECT

The Head of Development Services outlined the North East Peace III Leadership in a Shared Society Project and Mr. Colin Neilands and Ms. Diane Greer, of the Workers' Educational Association gave a short presentation on the Project Aims and the suggested Training Timetable.

Agreed:

That nominations of five to seven Members to the WEA be made to the Policy and Development Committee.

4.0 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 24th April, 2012 were confirmed and signed.

5.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Planning Committee

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

5.2 Leisure and Environment Committee

Councillor Cole moved the adoption of the Leisure and Environment Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Alderman Creelman:

Matters arising:

5.2.1 Strip of Land in Mountsandel Area

Following a Member's request the Corporate Director of Environmental Services gave an update on the development of a strip of land in the Mountsandel area.

He reported that discussions were taking place between Council Officers and the Community Policing Team and that a Community Consultation was due to take place following the dialogue.

5.2.2 Regional Review of Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive recommended that professional help be sought to provide assistance to Council in preparing a response to the Compton Report and in making a case to the Minister.

Agreed:

On the proposal of Councillor McQuillan and seconded by Alderman McClure that a consultant be sought, as recommended.

5.2.3 The Playhouse, 47 Main Street, Portrush

It was agreed that this item be discussed "In Committee" at the end of the Meeting.

5.3 North West '200' Committee

Alderman Creelman moved the adoption of the North West '200' Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick and agreed.

5.4 Policy and Development Committee

Councillor Barbour moved the adoption of the Policy and Development Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor McClarty.

Matters arising:

5.4.1 Public Consultation on the Future Operations of the Office of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland (OPONI)

Councillor Holmes asked that the minute reflect that the decision taken regarding this topic reads:

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

5.4.2 Environmental Improvement Scheme – Station Square, Portrush

Reference was made to a letter from the Planning Service to The Paul Hogarth Company which stated that the lighting scheme was contrary to planning permission.

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development advised that two lighting structures would have to be removed; however, all other works within the scheme were compliant with Planning Regulations.

The Report was agreed subject to the amendments.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Notion of Motion

Consideration was given to a letter from Down District Council dated 16th April, 2012 (previously supplied) that sought support to call upon the Minister to introduce legislation that would see perpetrators of serious crime against the elderly receive custodial sentences.

Agreed:

That Council support the Notice of Motion.

Councillors Ms. Boyle and Fitzpatrick asked that their opposition be recorded.

7.0 DOCUMENTS TABLED

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

8.0 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.

9.0 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

1. Licence (in duplicate) Council to Mr. C. Lyttle and Ms. R. Crennell – Provision of beach and surfing sundries at Whiterocks, Portrush
2. Licence (in duplicate) and Contract for Services (in duplicate) Council to Messrs. A. and I. Hill – Provision of surfing services at Watersports Centre, East Strand, Portrush
3. Conveyance (in duplicate) Council to Roadside (Garages) Limited – Portion of land at Somerset, Coleraine
4. Deed of Consent to Licence (in duplicate) Council to Fletcher Gordon Limited – To enter upon lands for the purpose of undertaking works at 3-5 Lansdowne Crescent, Portrush
5. Deed of Consent to Licence (in duplicate) Council to Mr. P. R. Henry and Ms. A. M. Henry, PRH Construction – To enter upon lands for the purpose of demolishing properties at 2-6 Bath Road, Portrush
6. Licence (in duplicate) Council to Coleraine and District Motor Club – NW200 lands
7. Agreement (in duplicate) Council and P. McColgan and Sons Ltd. – Environmental Improvements at East Strand, Portrush (Street Lighting Scheme)
8. Cemetery Titles Grant of Right of Burial – Deeds Register Nos. 3872 – 3877 inclusive:

Agherton	1
Ballywillan	1
Coleraine	2
Kilrea	0
Portstewart	2

11.0 THANKS

The Mayor commented that this would be his last Council Meeting as Mayor and thanked all Members and Officers for their support over the year.

ANNUAL MEETING

Minutes of proceedings of Coleraine Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on Monday, 11th June, 2012 at 6.30 pm.

Convened: As per Notice attached

Present: The Mayor, Alderman J. M. Bradley, in the Chair
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 (Mrs.)
C. Archibald
Y. Boyle (Ms.)
A. S. Cole
G. Duddy
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)
M. Fielding
B. Fitzpatrick

D. Harding
R. J. Holmes
R. A. Loftus (Mrs.)
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, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apology: Councillor Barbour

1.0 OUTGOING MAYOR'S REMARKS

Alderman Bradley reflected on his year in office and the number of official engagements attended. Alderman Bradley thanked the outgoing Deputy Mayor, Councillor King, for his support and dedication throughout the year. Thanks were also extended to the Aldermen, Councillors, Chief Executive, officers and staff for their help and support during his term in office.

Members paid tribute to Alderman Bradley for the dedication and manner in which he had carried out his official duties.

2.0 OUTGOING DEPUTY MAYOR'S REMARKS

Councillor King advised members that it had been an honour for him to attend the Award Ceremony in Dublin on 7th June, 2012 and receive the special award for Coleraine for five Blue Flag Beaches. Thanks were extended to all staff involved in achieving such an award.

Councillor King congratulated Alderman Bradley on such a successful year and said it had been a pleasure to have worked with him. He also thanked members and staff for their support and help during his year as Deputy Mayor.

3.0 ELECTION OF MAYOR

It was proposed by Alderman McClure, seconded by Alderman Creelman and agreed:

That Councillor Cole be appointed Mayor for 2012/2013.

On taking the Chair, Councillor Cole signed the formal acceptance of office and thanked Council for their endorsement of him as Mayor.

Members congratulated Councillor Cole on his appointment.

4.0 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

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

That Alderman Mrs. Hickey be appointed Deputy Mayor for 2012/2013.

Alderman Mrs. Hickey signed the formal acceptance of office.

5.0 CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES

5.1 Leisure and Environment Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Duddy, seconded by Alderman McClure and agreed:

That Councillor M. Fielding be appointed Chairman of the Leisure and Environment Committee for 2012/2013.

5.2 Planning Committee

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

That Councillor McLaughlin be appointed Chairman of the Planning Committee for 2012/2013.

5.3 Policy and Development Committee

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

That Alderman Hillis be appointed Chairman of the Policy and Development Committee for 2012/2013.

6.0 COMMITTEES - STRUCTURE AND TIMETABLE

Consideration was given to the Chief Executive's Report on Committees – Structure and Timetable (previously supplied).

It was proposed by Alderman McClure, seconded by Councillor Harding and agreed:

That Council accept the proposed schedule of meetings.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

12th June, 2012.

Convened: To consider presentations from Northern Ireland Housing Executive, Translink and Roads Service

Present: The Mayor, Councillor A. S. Cole, in the Chair
The Deputy Mayor, M. T. Hickey (Mrs.)

Aldermen

W. T. Creelman W. J. McClure
N. F. Hillis

Councillors

C. Archibald D. Harding
Y. Boyle (Ms.) (Items 1 – 3)
(Items 1 - 2) W. A. King
G. Duddy (Items 1 - 4)
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.) R. A. Loftus (Mrs.)
M. Fielding W. McCandless
B. Fitzpatrick G. L. McLaughlin

Officers in Attendance:

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Senior Environmental Health Officer and Clerical Assistant

Apologies:

Alderman Bradley, Councillors, Barbour, McClarty and McQuillan

1.0 WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2.0 NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE (NIHE) – COLERAINE DISTRICT HOUSING PLAN AND LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY

Mr. Frank O'Connor, Area Manager, Mr. Clark Bailie, Director of Finance, Mr. Gerry McCloskey, District Manager, Ms. Mona Conway, Area Planner and Ms. Yvonne Montgomery, Information Officer, from NIHE were in attendance to present the Coleraine District Housing Plan and Local Housing Strategy for 2012/13.

Mr. Bailie explained the financial constraints being experienced by NIHE due to budget cuts. He highlighted that in previous years under the 'Right to Buy' Scheme, when tenants had the opportunity to purchase their Housing Executive property, approximately £100 million in revenue had been realised. Projections for the coming year were for income of approximately £9 million.

Mr. O'Connor highlighted various issues from the report, including maintenance and upkeep; social housing; welfare reform; and fuel poverty.

The representatives then answered Members' various questions.

The Mayor thanked the representatives for their presentation, after which they withdrew from the meeting.

3.0 TRANSLINK – ULSTERBUS

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised Members that the representatives from Translink had been unable to attend and that the presentation would be rescheduled.

4.0 ROADS SERVICE NORTHERN DIVISION

Mr. Jim Campbell, Network Planning Manager and Mr. Austin Montgomery, Section Engineer from Roads Service were in attendance to present the Northern Division Annual Report 2012/13.

Mr. Campbell drew attention to the Request Form enclosed with the Report to be used for specific enquires. He asked that these be completed for the end of the meeting by any Members with queries. Mr. Campbell outlined various issues within the report including the 2011/12 expenditure profile; completed and proposed works; 2012/13 proposed traffic schemes; street lighting; and planning.

Mr. Campbell then advised Members that the A26 Frosses Dualling Scheme had been put back until, at least, 2015 and would be subject to funding. Members expressed their disappointment at the news and that the dualling of the A26 Frosses Road had long been recognised as a key piece of infrastructure needed, not only to develop the area but also to improve safety.

The representatives then answered Members' various questions.

The Mayor thanked the representatives for the presentation.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

22nd May, 2012.

Present: Alderman W. J. McClure in the Chair

The Mayor, Alderman J. M. Bradley
(Items 2.0 – 6.1)

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor W. H. King

Aldermen

W. T. Creelman

N. F. Hillis

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
(Items – 2.0 – 6.1)

D. Harding
(Items 3.0 – 6.1)

D. D. Barbour

R. J. Holmes

Y. Boyle (Ms.)

R. A. Loftus (Mrs.)

A. S. Cole

W. McCandless

G. Duddy

D. McClarty

E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)

G. L. McLaughlin

M. Fielding

A. McQuillan

B. Fitzpatrick

(Items 2.0 – 6.1)

Also in Attendance:

Representatives from the Planning Service – Ms. H. O’Toole,
Area Planning Manager and Mr. M. Wilson

Officers in Attendance:

Principal Administrative Officer, Principal Environmental
Health Officer and Clerical Assistant

Apologies:

Alderman Mrs. Hickey and Councillor Archibald

1.0 WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Meeting including Ms. Helena O’Toole, Area Planning Manager and press officers.

2.0 DRAFT NORTHERN AREA PLAN 2016

Ms. O’Toole gave a brief presentation on the proposed Northern Area Plan timeframe and answered Members’ questions.

She acknowledged Council's concern regarding the 2016 life of the Plan and pointed out that Planning Policy Statement 1 made provision for a Development Plan to have relevance after its notional plan end date. She stated further that there was a suite of other Planning Policy Statements and Regional Planning Policy sitting above the NAP which would continue to have relevance and help to guide development proposals. It was noted that, in so far as NAP 2016 was concerned, Planning Service would continue to use the Plan where relevant to inform decisions beyond 2016 until the new Plan was put in place and if it was to be amended or replaced it would be under a completely new process as dictated by the Planning Reform Bill.

In conclusion, Ms. O'Toole referred to two major changes in process as set out in the Planning Reform Bill:

(1) there would be systematic consultation and engagement with the local community in taking forward a new Plan and in the consideration of major planning applications. The whole process behind this would be determined by guidelines, yet to be published. New Councils would be involved in determining all stakeholders and the people and communities to be consulted.

(2) adopted Plans in the future would have primacy – presently they are one of a number of material considerations. Because of this primacy, the work done in preparing the Plans had to be very strongly evidence based.

The Chairman thanked Ms. O'Toole for her presentation, after which she withdrew from the Meeting.

3.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

Applications Deferred from Previous Meeting

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| 3.1 | <u>Application No. D1</u>
<u>C/2010/0572/F</u>
<u>Function room above car</u>
<u>parking at rear of 2 Bayhead</u>
<u>Road, Portballintrae for</u>
<u>Bayview Hotel</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be approved. |
| 3.2 | <u>Application No. D2</u>
<u>C/2010/0679/F</u>
<u>Change of use from</u>
<u>agricultural shed to timber post</u>
<u>sheathing plant at 111 Agivey</u>
<u>Road, Kilrea for</u>
<u>Mr. G. Wilson</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was agreed that the application be refused. |
| 3.3 | <u>Application No. D3</u>
<u>C/2011/0113/O</u>
<u>Proposed two storey dwelling</u>
<u>and double detached garage</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be approved. |

60m east of 272 Drumcroone Road, Coleraine for Mr. T. Oliver

- 3.4 Application No. D4
C/2011/0322/O
Replacement bungalow dwelling at site adjacent to 74 Carhill Road, Garvagh for Mr. K. Bradley
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 3.5 Application No. D5
C/2011/0340/F
Erection of 1 no. 225kw wind turbine with a hub height of 40m to supplement existing farm business 630m north east of 75 Cullyrammer Road, Garvagh for Mr. J. McClure
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be held until a reply was received from the Minister.
- 3.6 Application No. D6
C/2011/0344/F
Proposed footway alterations to facilitate off-street vehicular parking and turning within existing site curtilage, all accessed via the existing property vehicular entrance on its northern boundary at 70 Nursery Avenue, Coleraine for Mr. R. McMitchell
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be refused.
- 3.7 Application No. D7
C/2011/0391/F
Alterations to form new entrance doorway to front elevation replacing existing window opening at 95A Main Street, Garvagh for Garvagh Sports and Social Club
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse both applications.
- It was agreed that the applications be held for one month to facilitate the submission of further information.
- Application No. D8
C/2011/0392/LBC
Replacing window opening to form entrance doorway at 95 Main Street, Garvagh for Garvagh Sports and Social Club

- 3.8 Application No. D9
C/2011/0592/O
Proposed infill site for
dwelling approximately 45m
north of 11 Greenhill Road,
Aghadowey for
Mr. N. McElroy
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse both applications.
- It was agreed that both applications be refused.
- Application No. D10
C/2011/0600/O
Proposed infill site for
dwelling approximately 85m
north of 11 Greenhill Road,
Aghadowey for
Mr. N. McElroy
- 3.9 Application No. D11
C/2011/0612/O
Proposed one and a half storey
traditional dwelling at 44A
Drumeil Road, Aghadowey for
Mr. R. Jess
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- The Planning Service advised that this application had been withdrawn.
- 3.10 Application No. D12
C/2011/0618/F
Construction of one and a half
storey dwelling house and
garage 190m north of 111
Boleran Road, Coleraine for
Mr. P. Mullan
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 3.11 Application No. D13
C/2011/0636/F
Proposed amendments to
previously approved
development of 3 no.
apartments at 50-52 Causeway
Street, Portrush for Portrush
Lofts Ltd.
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 3.12 Application No. D14
C/2011/0615/O
Proposed dwelling and garage
on a farm 160m north-east of
25 Leeke Road, Portrush for
Mr. D. Mallagh
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be held for two weeks to allow Planning to reassess additional information submitted.

New Applications

- 3.13 Application No. 1
C/2010/0483/F
Proposed 70 bed nursing
home, GP Medical Centre and
renovation to existing town
houses, at 18-36 Lower
Captain Street, Coleraine
including lands to the rear for
Mr. J Hughes
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by The Mayor, seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick 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.
- 3.14 Application No. 2
C/2011/0395/F
Retrospective planning for the
retention of the access lane,
regrading of site levels and
retaining wall and pillars to the
rear of 11-15 Tirkeeran Road,
Garvagh for Mr. D. Heaney
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Loftus, 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.
- 3.15 Application No. 4
C/2011/0634/F
Construction of one and a half
storey dwelling house and
garage at site 25m east of 20
Tirkeeran Road, Garvagh for
Mr. & Mrs. Bradley
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Loftus, 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.
- 3.16 Application No. 5
C/2012/0048/O
Demolish existing dwellings
and replace with new
townhouse development at 1-3
Glenmanus Village, Portrush
for Mr. D. Wallace
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Duddy and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate additional information to be submitted.

4.0 OFFICE MEETINGS

It was noted that the office meetings would be held on Friday, 22nd June, 2012.

5.0 GENERAL PLANNING ISSUES

5.1 Craig Vara Cottage, Portrush and 12 Ballymacrea Road, Portrush

In response to a Member's query, Mr. Wilson stated that update details on the enforcement issues on both items would be brought to a later Meeting.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Second Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Garvagh

The Principal Administrative Officer outlined the letter received from the Northern Ireland Environment Agency, dated 20th April, 2012 (previously supplied).

Agreed:

That a decision be deferred until the June Planning Committee meeting by which time the Church Congregation Committee would have considered the matter.

POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

19 June 2012

Present: Councillor N F Hillis, in the Chair

The Deputy Mayor, Alderman Mrs M Hickey

Aldermen

J M Bradley
(Items 4.1 – 6.2.1(i))

W T Creelman
(Items 1.0 – 6.2.1(i))
W J McClure

Councillors

C S Alexander (Ms)
C Archibald
D D Barbour
(Items 1.0 – 6.1)
Y Boyle (Ms)
(Items 4.1 – 6.2.1(i))
G Duddy
(Items 4.1 – 6.2.1(i))
E P Fielding (Mrs)
M Fielding
B Fitzpatrick

D Harding
W A King
(Items 1.0 – 6.2.1(i))
R A Loftus (Mrs)
(Items 1.0 – 6.1)
W McCandless
D McClarty
(Items 1.0 – 6.1)
G McLaughlin
A McQuillan
(Items 4.1 – 6.2.1)

Officers in Attendance:

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Corporate Director of Leisure and Development, Head of Performance, Policy and Governance, Head of Development Services, Acting Head of Finance, Acting Community Development Manager (Items 1.0 – 6.1), Tourism Manager (Items 1.0 – 6.1), Portrush Regeneration Manager (Items 1.0 – 6.1) and Administrative Assistant

Also in Attendance:

Mr David Williamson, Williamson Consulting (Item 4.1);
Mr Donnelly, Donnelly and O'Neill Architects (Item 4.2);
Mr William Cameron, Department of Social Development (Item 6.2.1).

Apologies: The Mayor and Councillor Holmes

1.0 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Barbour to the meeting following his recent period of illness. He also thanked his party members for his nomination as Chairman.

2.0 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Recommended:

On the proposal of Alderman McClure and seconded by Councillor Mrs Fielding, that Alderman Creelman be appointed Vice Chairman of the Policy and Development Committee.

3.0 IN COMMITTEE

It was agreed to consider a number of items 'In Committee' at the end of the meeting.

4.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES' REPORT

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

Matters arising:

4.1 Community Support Plan Research Project: Exploring Options for the Commissioning of Generalist Voluntary Advice Services at Local Government Level

The Chairman welcomed Mr David Williamson, Williamson Consulting, who was in attendance to present the findings of the above report.

The Head of Development Services provided a brief summary of the background to the report. Mr Williamson then outlined the process adopted and highlighted key themes including the policy context; current provision, objectives and specification for advice provision and determining need; comparisons by area and by cost effectiveness; options and preferred option; and implementation and tender selection process.

A period of discussion ensued during which Mr Williamson answered Members' questions.

Recommended:

On the proposal of Councillor McQuillan and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick, that Council approves the preferred option as detailed in the report "Commissioning of Voluntary Generalist Advice – Review for North East Councils".

4.2 Funding Applications for Whiterocks Amenity Area, Portballintrae Environmental Improvements and Castlerock Promenade

The Chairman welcomed Mr Donnelly, Donnelly and O'Neill Architects to the meeting.

The Tourism Manager summarised the background to the funding applications. Mr Donnelly then presented an overview of the proposed environmental improvement concepts and designs for Members' consideration. During a period of discussion, the Tourism Manager and Mr Donnelly answered Members' questions and clarified a number of issues in relation to proposed parking provision, framework for procurement and funding, safety considerations and public consultation.

The Head of Development Services advised that the scheme would come back to Council for approval and requested Committee's endorsement to submit plans prior to ratification by Council.

Recommended:

That Council approves the designs for Portballintrae, Whiterocks and Castlerock as presented.

4.3 Coleraine Harbour Commissioners: Appointment of Chairman and Vice Chairman

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

Recommended:

On the proposal of Alderman McClure and seconded by The Deputy Mayor, that the appointments of Mr Donaghy and Mr Oliver be extended for a further one-year period to 30 June 2013.

4.4 Causeway Coast and Glens Tourism Area Partnership (CC>AP) Representation

As a result of the restructuring of CC>AP Council had been asked to nominate a second representative to the Board, Alderman Hillis having previously been nominated at the Annual Meeting of Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Fitzpatrick and seconded by Councillor Mrs Loftus:

That Councillor Ms Boyle be nominated.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Fielding and seconded by Councillor M Fielding:

That the Mayor be nominated.

On being put to the Meeting, Councillor Ms Boyle received ten votes in favour and The Mayor received eight votes.

Recommended:

That Councillor Ms Boyle be nominated to the Board of CC>AP.

4.5 North East Peace III Leadership in a Shared Society

Committee was requested to nominate up to 7 Members to participate in this programme with consideration given to cross-party engagement and newly elected Members.

Recommended:

That the following Members be nominated to participate in the programme:

Alderman McClure and Councillors Ms Alexander, Ms Boyle, Duddy, M

Fielding, King, Mrs Loftus and McCandless (8).

4.6 Irish Open Golf

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development presented an update of the arrangements for the Irish Open Golf competition.

Members recognised the opportunity for advantageous publicity this presented for the area and commended Officers on the excellent work which had been carried out in the organisation of the event on a very short timescale.

4.7 STATION SQUARE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development addressed queries previously raised by Members in regard to this project.

In an amendment to information previously advised, Mr Baker reported that 10 of the feature lights at the Scheme were within permitted development; 2 additional lights would be removed on 20 June 2012. This would complete outstanding planning issues.

In response to a question from Councillor Ms Alexander, the Director of Leisure and Development reiterated his previous advice that the boat structure had been erected in accordance with the approved plans. A copy of Fleming Mounstephen Planning's report on the scheme would be provided to the enquirer.

4.8 For Information

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

- i) Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP).
- ii) Good Relations Programme.
- iii) West Bay Promenade Environmental Improvement Scheme, Portrush – Members' attention was drawn to the date and time of this Consultation Workshop on 20 June 2012 at 5.00 pm.
- iv) Station Square Environmental Improvement Scheme – Members' attention was drawn to the date and time of the formal opening of this scheme on 21 June 2012 at 10.00 am.

4.9 EMPTYING OF BINS

Reference was made by a number of Members to overflowing bins in Portrush and Castlerock during recent public event weekends.

Members were assured that although bins were emptied more frequently at such times, this would be reviewed in the light of their comments.

5.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

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

Matters arising:

5.1 Finance

5.1.1 For Information

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

5.2 NILGA – Proposed Amendments to Constitution

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

Recommended:

That Council agrees the change to the NILGA constitution, as contained in the report.

5.3 Members' Services

5.3.1 Armed Forces Day flag raising

Consideration was given to the proposed programme for this annual event, which would take place on 25 June 2012 commencing at 10.30 am.

Recommended:

That Council supports Armed Forces Day by accepting the proposed programme.

In response to Members' requests the Head of Performance, Policy and Governance would make enquiries into the commitments of local regiments before approaching Regiment Commanders with an invitation to attend Coleraine.

Members' comments in relation to including such attendance into a previously organised public event were noted by the Head of Performance, Policy and Governance.

5.3.2 For Information

Members noted information on the Forecast of Events June - August, as contained in the report.

5.4 Review Of Public Administration (RPA)

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive updated Members on developments with the RPA implementation structure and the proposed programme of development. Members noted that the first meeting of the Regional Transition Committee (RTC) had taken place and that the next meeting had been scheduled for 21 June 2012. Minutes of the meetings would be provided to Members when available.

The contents of the paper 'Regional Transition Operational Board – Task and Finish Working Groups' (previously supplied) were noted.

5.5 Future Search

Members noted that the Future Search Conference, which took place during 24/26 May 2012, had been very successful with attendance of over 90 delegates from a wide cross section of the Borough.