

COLERAINE BOROUGH COUNCIL

**COUNCIL MEETING
23 September 2014**

MINUTES BOOKLET

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Meeting	Council
Date and Time	26 August 2014 at 3.05pm
Location	Council Chamber, Cloonavin
Chair	The Mayor, Councillor G Duddy
Present	Deputy Mayor, Councillor Y Boyle Aldermen W Creelman, M Hickey and N Hillis Councillors C Alexander (Items 1.0 – 10.2), C Archibald, T Clarke, S Cole, M Fielding, B Fitzpatrick, D Harding, W King, M Knight- McQuillan (Items 5.0 – 14.3.2), R Loftus and S Quigley
In Attendance	Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Corporate Director of Leisure and Development, Interim Director of Environmental Services, Acting Head of Central Services, Head of Estates and Facilities, Parks Service Manager (Items 1.0 – 10.1) and Administrative Assistant

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Alderman Fielding, Councillors Barbour, Holmes, McCandless and Sugden.

2 DEATH OF ALDERMAN W J MCCLURE

The Mayor referred to the recent death of Alderman McClure and spoke of the faithful and outstanding manner in which he had served as a Council Member since 1977. Alderman McClure would be sadly missed, especially by his wife and family and Council's heartfelt sympathy was passed to them and the extended family. As a mark of respect Members stood to observe a minute's silence.

Members from the various political parties joined The Mayor in expressing condolences and many sincere tributes were paid to the memory of Alderman McClure.

3 CHAIR'S BUSINESS

3.1 World Race Missionaries

The Mayor advised Members that a Reception had been held in the Parlour for forty Americans from World Race Missionaries who were in Coleraine helping out at Causeway Coast Vineyard Church. The group would spend eleven months touring eleven countries of the world.

3.2 Pipe Band Championships – Portrush

The Mayor had attended the Pipe Band Championships held in Portrush on Saturday 23 August 2014. This had been an exceptional day with a massive crowd of people attending.

A special word of thanks was extended to the Events Team.

3.3 2014 Milk Cup

The 2014 Milk Cup had been another successful event. Thanks were extended to the staff responsible for ensuring the pitches and facilities were in excellent condition.

3.4 Air Waves Portrush – 6/7 September 2014

The Mayor reminded Members to respond to the invitation stating preferred day for attending Air Waves Portrush 2014.

3.5 WW1 Candlelit Vigil – The Diamond, Coleraine

The Mayor invited the Deputy Mayor to comment on the WW1 Candlelit Vigil held at The Diamond, Coleraine on 4 August 2014 to commemorate the hour and day that the War started.

The Deputy Mayor advised Members that there had been a nationwide request to turn lights off at 10.00 pm on 4 August 2014. Members had processed with candles and the Royal British Legion Bands were in attendance. It had been a very memorable evening with over one thousand people attending. Thanks were expressed to staff involved.

The Mayor thanked the Deputy Mayor for attending various events on his behalf.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

Councillor Knight-McQuillan joined the Meeting.

5 PRESENTATION

The Mayor welcomed Dr Michael F Ryan, Consultant Chemical Pathologist, Causeway Hospital who was in attendance to provide a presentation on the problem of obesity.

Dr Ryan elaborated on this medical condition and highlighted the following factors:

- Scale of the problem – since 1994 obesity had increased by 75% in men and 41% in women;
- Obesity and cancer risk;
- The growing epidemic of type 2 diabetes in relation to obesity;
- Prevalence, consequences, costs, causes;
- Weight management;
- BMT program – 12 weekly sessions each lasting 90 mins.

Dr Ryan stressed that there was an urgent need to address the obesity issue, specifically in the community, to prevent complications such as diabetes and put forward the following proposal to Council:

- Together with partners ‘adopt’ a community weight management strategy;
- Focus on prevention of diabetes in high risk individuals as marker of success;
- Provide leadership in this area through example at Council and political levels;
- Work in partnership with team to develop and deliver this programme for the community.

Dr Ryan answered various Members’ questions.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Harding and seconded by Councillor Quigley that Council work in partnership to develop and deliver the BMT program for the community.

The Mayor thanked Dr Ryan for his informative presentation after which he withdrew from the Meeting.

6 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 22 July 2014 were confirmed and signed.

7 COMMITTEE REPORT

7.1 Planning Committee

The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of 22 July 2014 were proposed by the Chair, Councillor King, seconded by Councillor Harding and agreed.

8 'IN COMMITTEE'

It was agreed to take a number of items 'In Committee' at the end of the Meeting.

9 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

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

9.1 Coleraine Civic Amenity Site and Depot

The Interim Director of Environmental Services reported that officers had been assessing the current layout at Coleraine Civic Amenity Site and Depot. In conjunction with the Health and Safety advisor and staff, proposals to improve operations had been devised. Members were advised that Appendix 1 of the Report outlined the current layout of the Site and Depot and Appendix 11 the proposed changes.

In respect of this capital project the following process was being utilised:

Stage 1	Scoping, Feasibility and Outline Business Case
Stage 2	Procurement and Final Business Case
Stage 3	Operations Contract and Management
Stage 4	Operational Management

Officers were seeking approval to move to Stage 2 which would include public advertisement and tendering for works. The tender report would be brought back to the Environmental Services Committee for approval.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick and seconded by Councillor King that Council approve moving to Stage 2 of the process for the Civic Amenity Site and Depot improvements.

9.2 Causeway Hospital Event to Commemorate Organ Donors

Reported that an event had been scheduled for Wednesday 15 October 2014 in Causeway Hospital to commemorate those who had donated organs and also to showcase the excellent work that the Hospital does regarding harvesting these organs. Representatives from Causeway Hospital, Northern Health and Social Care Trust, Northern Ireland Transplant Association and Coleraine Borough Council would be in attendance together with local media, members of the public, families of donors, transplant patients and their families. Light refreshments would be provided (approximate cost £250).

There would be a number of informative presentations and speeches at the event and there would also be an opportunity for people to sign the organ donor register.

A seat would be unveiled in the Hospital gardens which had been donated by Council to commemorate local people who had donated organs. The bench, with an engraved commemorative plaque, would cost £473.76.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Quigley and seconded by The Deputy Mayor that Council approve the funding for this event.

9.3 Cinema Licence – Cinemas (Northern Ireland) Order 1991

Application for grant of Cinema Licence was considered in respect of Brew Bar, 47 Main Street, Portrush - Mr Kristofer Charteris/Applicant (Report circulated to each Member).

Agreed: That the Licence be issued as applied for.

10 LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

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

10.1 Vehicular Access to Council's Cemeteries

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development outlined the significant operational problems arising from vehicular access at Council's cemeteries. The Parks Service Manager answered Members' questions on the problems which were detracting from the serenity that should prevail in a cemetery environment, the structural damage being caused and the health and safety risk.

It was noted that Ballymoney Borough Council had recently introduced an automated barrier system to restrict all vehicle access to cemeteries with exceptions for funeral processions and those with a registered disability.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Cole and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick that Council agree, in principle, that uncontrolled vehicular access to Council's cemeteries should cease.

Officers would investigate and apply the means to effectively restrict general vehicle access, permit access for appropriate traffic only, manage parking and effectively communicate these arrangements to the public.

10.2 For Information

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

- Northern Ireland International Air Show: Air Waves Portrush – 6/7 September 2014
The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development provided a presentation to Members on Air Waves Portrush 2014 highlighting the main aspects and attractions proposed for the event. Various Members' questions were answered and thanks were expressed to the Events Team.

Councillor Alexander left the Meeting during the above item.

- CAUS – Outdoor Skateboard Park/Metropole Site Update
- Accreditation Update
- North East Peace III Partnership Conference Diary Date

11 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

The Report of the Chief Executive was considered (previously supplied).

11.1 For Information

Members noted information on the following topic, as detailed in the Report:

- Accounts

12 CORRESPONDENCE

Members noted the following correspondence (previously supplied):

- Letter dated 30 July 2014 from the Post Office re changes to Ballysally Post Office
- Letter dated 4 August 2014 from Northern Ireland Water re Elected Representatives Line
- Letter of response dated 5 August 2014 from the Private Secretary to Danny Kennedy MLA re the Concessionary Fare Scheme
- NILGA/Tourism Consultation Key Council Engagement Event – 16 September 2014
- Email dated 6 August 2014 from River Links re ‘Opportunities in Rural Areas’ Conference 17 September 2014
- Forecast of Events
- Documents for Tabling
- Consultation Documents

13 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

1	<u>Land Transfer</u>	CBC to Aileen McVitty – Lands at front of 35 & 36 Portstewart Road
2	<u>Amended Letter of Offer</u> (In Duplicate)	Invest Northern Ireland to CBC – Grant
3	<u>Cemetery Titles</u>	Grant of Right of Burial – Deeds Register Nos. 4140 - 4149 inclusive:
		Agherton 1
		Ballywillan 3
		Coleraine 3
		Kilrea -
		Portstewart 3

Meeting **Planning Committee**

Date and Time **26 August 2014 at 2.30pm**

Location Council Chamber, Cloonavin

Chair Councillor W King

Present The Mayor, Councillor G Duddy
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Y Boyle
Aldermen W Creelman, M Hickey and N Hillis
Councillors C Alexander, C Archibald, T Clarke, S Cole, M Fielding,
B Fitzpatrick, D Harding, R Loftus and S Quigley

In attendance Mr M Wilson - Planning Service, Democratic Services Manager, Acting
Head of Central Services, Senior Environmental Health Officer and
Administrative Assistant

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Alderman Fielding, Councillors Barbour, Holmes, Knight-McQuillan, McCandless and Sugden.

2 CHAIR'S BUSINESS

2.1 Death of Alderman W J McClure

The Chair referred to the recent death of Alderman McClure and conveyed sympathy, on behalf of the Planning Committee, to his wife and family.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

4 PLANNING CONSULTATION

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

4.1 Applications Deferred from Previous Meeting

Application D1 C/2013/0292/F Proposed replacement two-storey dwelling and garage (amended site boundary to previous approval C/2009/0577/O) at 85 Carthall Road, Coleraine for Mr and Mrs G Brownlow.

The opinion of Planning Service was to approve.

Agreed: That the application be approved.

Application D2 C/2013/0416/F Proposed general purpose agricultural storage building at rear of No 31 Ballyrashane Road, Coleraine for Mr R S Lyons.

The opinion of Planning Service was to approve.

Agreed: That the application be approved.

Application D3 C/2013/0472/O Proposed infill site for dwelling and garage between 17 and 21 Agivey Road, Kilrea for Mr T Quigg.

The opinion of Planning Service was to approve.

Agreed: That the application be approved.

Application D4 C/2013/0482/O Proposed infill outline application for a domestic rural dwelling and associated garage at site 93m east of 10 Magheramore Road, Garvagh for Mr J Linton.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: That the application be held for two weeks.

Application D5 C/2014/0054/F Proposed new dwelling (change of house type from single storey dwelling with garage approved under ref C/2012/194/F to two storey dwelling with garage) 120m north of No 50 Lisnagrot Road, Kilrea for Mr C Kieft.

The opinion of Planning Service was to approve.

Agreed: That the application be approved.

Application D6 C/2014/0096/F Proposed two storey front and rear extension, single storey side extension, change of window style, roof finish, external render and change from flat to pitch roof on existing garage at 12A Downing Park, Portstewart for Mr R Godfrey.

The opinion of Planning Service was to approve.

Agreed: That the application be approved.

Application D7 C/2014/0165/F Proposed new infill dwelling under CTY8 of PPS21 with detached double garage and associated site works at site between 6 and 8 Ballyhackett Lane, Castlerock for Mr D Pollock.

The opinion of Planning Service was to approve.

Agreed: That the application be approved.

4.2 New Applications

Mr Wilson enlarged on the new applications listed on the planning schedule and the recommendations were accepted subject to the following:

Application No C/2013/0251/F Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 No 3 storey dwellings and garages at 7 Harbour Place, Portstewart for Mr J Keatley.

The opinion of Planning Service was to approve.

It was noted that Council and the applicant both held title to a small portion of the land. Reference was made to the public right of way at this location and the Democratic Services Manager advised that the proposal would not cause interference.

Agreed: That the application be approved

Application No C/2013/0499/O Proposed dwelling on a farm under PPS21 CTY10 16m south of 96 Dunboe Road, Coleraine for Mr I Cameron.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: On the proposal of Alderman Hillis and seconded by Councillor Harding 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.

Application No C/2014/0062/F Proposed two storey extension to rear of dwelling, roof space conversion and internal alterations at 22 Crocknamack Road, Portrush for Helen Lowry.

The opinion of Planning Service was to approve.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Quigley and seconded by Alderman Hickey 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.

Application No C/2014/0068/F Proposed amended entrance and natural stone garden wall to the front of the site at Blacksmyths Cottage, Ballymagarry Road, Portrush for Michelle Long.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Alexander 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.

Application No C/2014/0081/F Proposed residential development comprising of 3 dwellings (1 detached and 2 semi-detached dwellings) to include demolition of existing garage on site at 8 St Patrick's Avenue, Coleraine for Messrs Porter.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Fielding and seconded by Alderman Hillis 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.

Application No C/2014/0128/F Proposed internal renovation accommodating new function as a restaurant/take away at 6 Dunluce Avenue, Portrush for Shannon McKinney.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: On the proposal of Alderman Hillis 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.

Application No C/2014/0158/F Proposed extension to previously approved site curtilage (approved under C/2011/0136/F) and new site boundary retaining wall adjacent the "Cliff Walk" Path at 82 Strand Road, Portstewart for Mr T Wallace.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Quigley and seconded by Councillor Fielding 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.

Application No C/2014/0199/F Proposed 250kw wind turbine with 32m hub height for farm and grid use 592m south west of 19 Ballyhackett Lane, Castlerock for Mr W Purcell.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: On the proposal of Alderman Hillis and seconded by Councillor Clarke 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.

Application No C/2014/0223/F Proposed alterations to roof to form recessed balcony to front and new dormer to the rear of the dwelling at 49 Kerr Street, Portrush for Mr C A Crossie.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Alexander and seconded by Alderman Hillis 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.

Application No C/2014/0251/F Proposed demolition of existing two and half storey hotel building and replacement with 2 No two storey detached dwellings and detached garages at 58 Ballyreagh Road, Portrush for Causeway Homes Ltd.

The opinion of Planning Service was to refuse.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Cole and seconded by Alderman Hickey 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.

5 OFFICE MEETINGS

It was noted that the Office Meetings would be held on Friday 19 September 2014.

6 GENERAL PLANNING ISSUES

There were no general planning issues.

7 NORTHERN IRELAND ENVIRONMENT AGENCY (NIEA)

Consideration was given to the report on the NIEA's Listing of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest (previously supplied).

Members noted that the Department had reviewed the listed status of the following buildings within the Borough and had concluded that their statutory listings should be retained:

Northern Constitution, 20 Railway Road, Coleraine
83-89 Main Street, Garvagh
1-3 The Diamond, Portstewart
5-7 The Diamond, Portstewart
9-11 The Diamond, Portstewart
13 The Diamond, Portstewart
15 The Diamond, Portstewart
6 and 8 Bath Street, Portrush
29-31 Kerr Street, Portrush

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Application C/2013/0248/F – Erection of Wind Farm and Associated Infrastructure on lands at Windy Hill, Co Londonderry

8.2 Application C/2013/0359 – Road Improvement Works to facilitate delivery of wind turbine components to proposed Windy Hill Wind Farm

Read letters dated 22 July 2014 from the Department of the Environment Strategic Planning Division (previously supplied) advising Members that with regard to the above applications an appeal under Article 33 of the Planning (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 had been submitted to the Planning Appeals Commission. Members noted that jurisdiction on the applications had, therefore, passed to the Commission.

8.3 Application C/2011/0341/F – Proposed Erection of Agricultural Anaerobic Digestion Facility on lands adjacent to 15 Drumslade Road, Coleraine

Read letter dated 22 July 2014 from the Minister of the Environment (previously supplied) advising Members that he had agreed to meet with John Dallat MLA on this matter and would subsequently review the application. Noted.

8.4 Wind Farm Visit and Wind Energy Seminar

The Democratic Services Manager reported that Members were invited to a Wind Farm Visit and Wind Energy Seminar on Wednesday 3 September 2014 (email dated 23 July 2014 from Northern Ireland Renewables Industry Group previously supplied).

Members interested in attending were asked to contact the Democratic Services Manager.

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

Meeting	Environmental Services Committee
Date and Time	2 September 2014 at 6.30pm
Location	Bann View Committee Room, Cloonavin
Chair	Councillor T Clarke
Present	The Mayor, Councillor Duddy Councillors T Clarke, S Cole (items 6 - 8.3), M Fielding, B Fitzpatrick, R Holmes and R Loftus
In attendance	Interim Director of Environmental Services, Head of Estates and Facilities and Business Support Assistant (CE)

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Councillors Alexander, Harding, King and Sugden.

2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

On the proposal of The Mayor and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick, that Councillor Clarke be appointed Vice Chair of the Environmental Services Committee.

3 CHAIR'S BUSINESS

There was no Chair's business.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5 REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATIONS

There were no requests for presentation.

Councillor Cole joined the meeting.

6 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES' REPORT

Consideration was given to the Report of the Interim Director of Environmental Services (previously supplied).

6.1 Extension to Waste Contracts

Members were referred to the report, which highlighted that on 4 October 2011 that Council had approved contracts, on the recommendation of North West Region Waste Management Group, as follows:

- Collection and treatment of engine oil, vegetable oil, paints and varnishes to ENVA Ltd.
- Collection and recycling of tyres to R4.
- Waste related consultancy services framework to include the following:
 - RPS
 - Atkins
 - SKM Enviros
 - Golder Associates
 - SLR Consulting Ltd

- WYG

The Corporate Director of Environmental Services noted that contracts had been agreed for a minimum period of 3 years, with Council's option to extend the contract for a further one year period, followed by a one year period giving a possible total of 2 years extension to the contract period.

The Corporate Director of Environmental Services advised Members that Council were satisfied with the level of service provided and requested consideration of a 12 month extension to contracts, in line with other Cluster Councils.

Recommended: That Council agree extension of said contracts for a 12 month period.

6.2 For Information

6.2.1 Building Control Report

Information relating to Building Control activity during the period 22 May – 14 August 2014 was noted including:

- Applications:
 - 82 applications had been received for assessment.
 - 183 applications had been recommended for Building Control approval.
 - 1202 inspections had been carried out.

6.3 Dereliction Intervention Funding

The Head of Estates and Facilities noted that at the Environmental Services Committee on 3 June 2014, Members' had raised concerns about delivery of the Cornerstone Building project in Garvagh and a number of issues had been identified:

- The plinths had been inaccurately built and had to be rebuilt by another contractor.
- The ground was not sufficient to carry a lawnmower and was sinking.

Council had agreed responsibility for the construction of the plinths and the artwork to be inset would be provided by TBF Thomson Trust (TBFTT) through artist Ross Wilson. The Head of Estates and Facilities referred to the report which provided background and presented the findings. It was highlighted that the specifications had been altered by the artist after delivery of architect's drawings and that Council had made the necessary adjustments before construction.

Following a site meeting with TBFTT it had been agreed that Council had met its obligations on two occasions and that any further work that was required should form part of the artist's work.

The Head of Estates and Facilities advised that the landscaping project had been agreed as to be delivered by Council and maintained thereafter by TBFTT. This consisted of the introduction of approximately 250mm of topsoil and compost mix on bare soil and turf laid. The work took place during one of the wettest periods for years and the result was that the area had been heavily soaked. As topsoil and turf cannot be laid overly compressed and must be allowed to settle naturally, this would reduce the load bearing capability for several months.

Members noted that heavy machinery had been used during a period of exceptionally bad weather and this had damaged the landscaping. The Head of Estates and Facilities noted that TBFTT were satisfied with the completed works and were happy to take ownership, which was further noted in letter of thanks received from TBFTT dated 03 March 2014.

6.4 North West Regional Waste Management Group (NWRWMG) Minutes

The Corporate Director of Environmental Services elaborated on Minutes of the NWRWMG Joint Committee from 19 March 2014, 7 May 2014 and 4 June 2014 and answered Members' questions regarding future infrastructures.

6.5 Outcome of Legal Proceedings

The Litter (NI) Order 1994

- i) Defendant: Karoma Yildrim, 48 Railway Road, Coleraine
Result: Fine: N/A, Legal Costs: £100, Court Costs: £19
- ii) Defendant: Ryan Hull, 57 Maple Drive, Coleraine
Result: Fine: £125, Legal Costs: £100, Court Costs: £19, Offender Levy: £15

The Dogs (NI) Order 1983 as amended

- i) Defendant: Mrs Suzan Maher, 4 Gortgranagh Drive, Coleraine
Result: Fine: £100 x 2, Legal Costs: £100, Court Costs: £30, Offender Levy: £15
- ii) Defendant: Mr Martin Robinson, 1 Queens Park, Coleraine
Result: Fine: £100, Legal Costs: £100, Court Costs: £30, Offender Levy: £15

7 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 Body Cameras Used within Council

The Corporate Director of Environmental Services, at the request of Members, discussed the use of body cameras by Officers within Council. He advised that Enforcement Officers, Dog and Litter Wardens had utilised these since introduction approximately a year ago and that they had proved effective in the line of duties undertaken.

The interim Director of Environmental Services would report to The Mayor regarding retention times of recorded material.

8.2 Request for works

Members had noted areas of work required by Council as follows:

- Mullaghacall Road – Hedges need cut back further to stop anti-social behaviour.
- Toilets in Kilrea – Need cleansing.
- Dunluce car park - Hedges need cut.

The Interim Director of Environmental Services advised Members that the areas mentioned would be addressed.

8.3 Bin Collection Services

As a result of the media attention which had surrounded Banbridge Council's trial change of schedule for the black bin service to monthly collection, Members sought assurances on Council's future service. The interim Director of Environmental Services assured Members that Council had no plans to alter the current service.

Meeting	Leisure and Development Committee
Date and Time	9 September 2014 at 6.30pm
Location	Bann View Committee Room, Cloonavin
Chair	Councillor W McCandless
Present	The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Y Boyle Aldermen P Fielding and N Hillis Councillors D Barbour, M Fielding, R Loftus and S Quigley
In Attendance	Corporate Director of Leisure and Development, Head of Development Services and Administrative Assistant

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Alderman Hickey, Councillors Clarke, Knight-McQuillan and Sugden.

2 CHAIR'S BUSINESS

2.1 Sympathy

The Chair referred to the recent death of Alderman Hickey's brother and extended condolences to Alderman Hickey and family.

2.2 Air Waves Portrush 2014

The Chair commented on the glowing tributes circulating with regard to Air Waves Portrush. Thanks and congratulations were extended to all persons involved in making it such an excellent event.

The Mayor would be arranging a Reception for staff involved in the event.

2.3 Rugby Avenue Sports Village - Phase 1

The Chair referred to the completion of Phase 1 – Rugby Avenue Sports Village and congratulated the officers involved.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

4 REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATIONS

There were no requests for presentations.

5 LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

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

5.1 DETI Review of the Northern Ireland Tourist Board and Tourism Structures

The Head of Development Services provided Members with an overview of the independent review of the Northern Ireland Tourist Board (NITB) and wider Tourism Structures. The overall aim of the review was to ensure that current organisational structures were the optimum

necessary to deliver the targets and actions set out in the Programme for Government and Economic Strategy.

Mr John Hunter CB had been appointed in December 2013 to conduct the review and his report had been completed and was now out for public consultation with responses requested by 22 September 2014. The draft response was presented to Committee Members for consideration and the Head of Development Services elaborated on the comments contained within.

The Chair thanked the Head of Development Services for preparing such a comprehensive response.

Recommended: That Council approve, in principle, the response to the DETI consultation on the Review of the NITB and wider Tourism Structures, subject to Members' comments being incorporated.

5.2 Dunluce Centre

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development advised Members that whilst officers had been pursuing the social enterprise concept for the Dunluce Centre, as agreed by Council in June 2014, interest had now been expressed by commercial entities. This commercial interest presented the opportunity to reduce the financial support necessary from Council.

Recommended: That Council agree that the June 2014 Council approval be amended to allow officers to develop the concept of a social enterprise scheme incorporating commercial interest, which would be of appropriate scale and fit.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Air Waves Portrush 2015

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development commented on the success of Air Waves Portrush 2014 and emphasised the importance of confirming the 2015 date.

Recommended: That Air Waves Portrush 2015 be held on 5/6 September 2015.

7.2 Mayor's Receptions

Reference was made to the protocol regarding Members being invited to Mayor's Receptions and in particular the attendance of the Chair of Leisure and Development Committee at relevant Receptions. The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development advised Members that the query would be noted.

7.3 Funding Application – Harpur's Hill Community Centre

Following a question regarding the funding application for Harpur's Hill Community Centre being refused the Head of Development Services advised that the scheme would proceed when funding became available.

7.4 Toilets – Portrush

Reference was made regarding the need for more toilet facilities in Portrush generally but in particular in Dunluce Avenue where many visitors were arriving by bus.

The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development would contact the Interim Corporate Director of Environmental Services regarding this matter.

Meeting	CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Date and Time	16 September 2014 at 6.30pm
Location	Bann View Committee Room
Chair	Councillor Fitzpatrick
Present	The Mayor, Councillor G Duddy (Items 7.1 – 8) Alderman P Fielding, Councillors C Alexander, D Barbour, T Clarke, M Fielding, D Harding and S Quigley
In Attendance	Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Assistant Director of Finance and Support Services, Democratic Services Manager, GIS Officer and Business Support and Administration Manager

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Alderman Hickey, Councillors Cole and Sugden and Acting Head of Central Services.

2 CHAIR'S BUSINESS

2.1 Additional Item

The Chair agreed that an additional item could be considered at the end of the meeting.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4 REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATIONS

There were no requests for presentations.

5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

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

5.1 Accounts

It was noted that accounts for August 2014 had been previously supplied.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 East Strand

In response to a question from Councillor Alexander, the Chief Executive advised that it was hoped to complete all repair work on this scheme over the next 2-3 weeks.

The Mayor entered the meeting.

Councillor Alexander asked for details of the cost of the remedial work on this scheme and the legal position vis-à-vis those responsible for the repairs, to be brought to the September meeting of Council. The Corporate Director of Leisure and Development would be advised.

7.2 Sympathy

Sympathy was extended to Alderman Hickey on the recent loss of her brother who had lived in Canada.

7.3 Biodiversity Garden

Reference was made to the overgrown condition of this garden. The Chief Executive agreed to raise this with Council's Biodiversity Officer.