

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of Coleraine Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on TUESDAY the 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2000 at 7.30 p.m.

H. W. T. MOORE,

Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

Cloonavin,  
41 Portstewart Road,  
COLERAINE.

A G E N D A

1. Minutes (enclosed):
  - 1.1 Council Meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2000
2. Committee Reports (enclosed):
  - 2.1 Leisure and Environment Committee – 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2000  
**(Item 3.8.2)** Entertainments Licence (Renewal) –  
The Springhill Bar, Portrush  
  
Objections to the renewal will be heard and the applicant will be in attendance to address Council.
  - 2.2 Planning Committee - 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2000
  - 2.3 Policy and Development Committee – 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2000
  - 2.4 Police Liaison Committee – 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2000
3. Coleraine Harbour Commissioners : Appointment Procedure – Autumn 2000 (Report enclosed)
4. Coleraine District Housing Plan 2000 – 2001 (enclosed)  
  
Representatives of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive will attend to present the plan.
5. Correspondence
6. Documents for Sealing

To: Each Member of Council.

21<sup>st</sup> July, 2000.

## **COLERAINE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Minutes of proceedings of Coleraine Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2000 at 7.30 p.m.

**Convened:** As per Notice attached

The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.), in the Chair

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

### **Aldermen**

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)

(Items 2.1.1 – 14.1)

P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)

(Items 1.0 – 3.0)

W. H. King

W. J. Watt

### **Councillors**

D. D. Barbour

E. T. Black (Mrs.)

R. S. Bolton

J. M. Bradley

(Items 2.3.3 – 14.1)

O. M. Church (Mrs.)

W. T. Creelman

N. F. Hillis

(Items 1.0 – 3.0)

D. McClarty

(Items 1.0 – 3.0)

G. L. McLaughlin

(Items 1.0 – 5.0)

R. A. McPherson

W. Mathews

E. M. Mullan

(Items 3.0 – 14.1)

E. O'Hara

(Items 1.0 – 4.3)

R. D. Stewart

### **Officers in Attendance:**

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Leisure Services, Director of Corporate Services, Director of Environmental Health, Director of Technical Services, Policy Development Officer (1.0 – 3.0), Head of Development Services and Administrative Assistant

**Apologies:** Alderman McClure and Councillor Dallat

## **1.0 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2000 and the Annual Meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2000 were confirmed and signed.

## **2.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **2.1 Leisure and Environment Committee**

The Chairman, Councillor O'Hara, moved the adoption of the Leisure and Environment Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Creelman.

Matters arising:

- 2.1.1 Northern Health and Social Services Board – Area Children and Young People’s Committee Councillor McLaughlin reported on the Area Children and Young People’s Committee Workshop which he had attended in Ballymena on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2000.
- 2.1.2 Portrush Town Hall It was agreed that this matter be deferred to the September meeting of Committee to facilitate a response to the current planning application for an extension to the building.
- 2.1.3 Coleraine Cemetery It was agreed that this matter be deferred to a future meeting of Committee.

The Committee Report was, therefore, adopted subject to these amendments.

- 2.2 Planning Committee The Chairman, Councillor McLaughlin, moved the adoption of the Planning Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Alderman Ms. Alexander and agreed.
- 2.3 Policy and Development Committee The Chairman, Councillor Barbour, moved the adoption of the Policy and Development Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor O’Hara.

Matters arising:

- 2.3.1 Addendum to Council’s Equality Scheme Consideration was given to the Addendum to Council’s Equality Scheme (previously supplied).  
  
The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that 20 – 25 responses had now been received and Council would be able to meet the Equality Commission deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2000.
- 2.3.2 Unauthorised Camping The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported on the need to have contingency plans to deal with instances of unauthorised camping.  
  
It was agreed that Council grant delegated authority to the Town Clerk and Chief Executive and in his absence, to his deputy, to initiate legal proceedings to require trespassers on Council lands to vacate the land in circumstances where operational difficulties and safety concerns arise.
- 2.3.3 Northern Corridor Railways Group The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that a meeting of the Northern Corridor Railways Group would be held at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2000 at Cloonavin.  
  
Council had already designated four members to consider this issue and was now asked to nominate two members to serve on the Group plus two substitutes.

It was proposed that the following members be nominated to serve on the Group:

Aldermen King and McClure  
Councillor Dallat

On being put to the Meeting the nominated members received the following votes:

Alderman King	9 votes
Alderman McClure	9 votes
Councillor Dallat	8 votes

Aldermen King and McClure were, therefore, nominated to serve on the Group with Councillors Dallat and Hillis acting as substitutes.

2.3.4 Coleraine Harbour  
Commissioners – Nominations

It was agreed that this item be considered “In Committee” at the end of the Meeting.

The Committee Report was, therefore, adopted subject to these amendments.

### **3.0 CCTV - COLERAINE TOWN CENTRE**

The Mayor welcomed Chief Inspector N. Kyle, R.U.C. Coleraine and Mrs. S. Scott, Town Centre Manager, representatives of the CCTV Working Group, who were in attendance to present the report to Council (previously supplied).

The CCTV Working Group had been formed to prepare a bid for round two of the Police Authority for Northern Ireland CCTV Competition Challenge.

Chief Inspector Kyle elaborated on the main changes incorporated in round two based on six CCTV cameras within central Coleraine and the key issues for consideration by Council.

Following a full discussion, during which the representatives answered various members’ questions, it was agreed that the Working Group prepare a scheme for the July meeting of the Policy and Development Committee which would include options such as:

- (a) Six CCTV cameras plus two extra cameras (one for Market Yard and one for Anderson Park) with capital costs to be shared between public and private sector;
- (b) Joint funding of recurrent costs involving:
  - (i) Council;
  - (ii) Private Sector;
  - (iii) Income from other sources.

### **4.0 ROADS SERVICE REPORT - JUNE 2000**

The Mayor welcomed Mr. D. Orr, Divisional Roads Manager and Mr. M. Glover, Section Engineer, who were in attendance to present the Roads Service Report – June 2000 (previously supplied).

Mr. Orr elaborated on the programme of work already carried out and outlined plans for the forthcoming years.

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| 4.1 | <u>A26 Improvements</u>            | The Divisional Roads Manager reported on the results of the study on the A26 and the proposals incorporating overtaking lanes, speed limits and other improvements.                             |
| 4.2 | <u>Dunhill Road</u>                | Reported that £150,000 had been allocated for the provision of a climbing lane between Greenmount Roundabout and the Bushtown Road.   |
| 4.2 | <u>Lodge Road Roundabout</u>       | Reported that a scheme to signalise this roundabout was currently at design stage. Signals would also be provided at the Hospital junction with Newbridge Road.                                 |
| 4.3 | <u>Waterside Foot/Cycle Bridge</u> | Construction of the foot/cycle bridge across the River Bann was ready to go to tender subject to agreement regarding an objection. It was hoped that the commencement date would be the Autumn. |

Various other queries were raised by members and the Divisional Roads Manager agreed to investigate these and report back in due course.

## **5.0 PORTRUSH TRAFFIC SCHEME**

The Divisional Roads Manager outlined the history of the Portrush Traffic Scheme since its introduction in 1994.

Roads Service had received representations about possible amendments to the scheme. The proposal was to reopen access to Eglinton Street from the Metropole roundabout, making Eglinton Street two way as far as Sandhill Drive.

Following discussion it was agreed that this matter be deferred until September.

The Mayor thanked the Roads Service representatives for attending.

## **6.0 NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL**

Tabled:

Minutes of the Northern Health and Social Services Council dated 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2000.

## **7.0 BBC NORTHERN IRELAND**

Tabled:

BBC Northern Ireland – Annual Review 1999/2000.

## **8.0 THE POST OFFICE**

Tabled:

The Post Office Report and Accounts 1999/2000.

## **9.0 NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE**

Tabled:

Northern Ireland Housing Executive – Houses in Multiple Occupation.

## **10.0 PARADES COMMISSION**

Tabled:

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Report of the Parades Commission – 1999/2000.

## **11.0 NORTH-EASTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD**

Tabled:

Minutes of the North-Eastern Education and Library Board dated 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2000.

## **12.0 NEW CIVIC HEADQUARTERS**

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that the date for the transfer to the new civic headquarters had been re-scheduled from 14<sup>th</sup> August to 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2000.

Noted.

## **13.0 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING**

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

1. Lease and Counterpart Facilities at The Crescent, Portstewart;  
Council –to- Keith Davidson and Paula Regan,  
80 The Promenade, Portstewart.
  
2. Transfer Document and Counterpart Reid’s Lane, Coleraine;  
Francis and James Alexander Kennedy,  
Builders, 15 Drumack Road, Rasharkin –to-  
Council.
  
3. Cemetery Titles Registration Numbers 2602 – 2613 inclusive:  
Agherton 1  
Ballywillan 2  
Coleraine 2  
Kilrea 1  
Portstewart 6

## LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

4<sup>th</sup> July, 2000.

### Present:

Councillor E. O'Hara, in the Chair

The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

### Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)

W. H. King

(Items 1.0 – 10.0)

### Councillors

E. T. Black (Mrs.)

D. McClarty

R. S. Bolton

(Items 1.0 – 5.11)

(Items 1.0 – 12.1.2)

G. L. McLaughlin

J. M. Bradley

R. A. McPherson

(Items 2.0 – 12.2)

W. Mathews

O. M. Church (Mrs.)

E. M. Mullan

W. T. Creelman

(Items 2.0 – 12.2)

### Officers in

### Attendance:

Director of Leisure Services, Director of Environmental Health,  
Director of Technical Services, Community Services and  
Recreation Officer, Senior Technical Officer, Arts Centre  
Manager, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative  
Assistant

### Apologies:

Aldermen Mrs. Armitage and Watt

Councillors Barbour, Dallat, Hillis and Stewart

## **1.0 SYMPATHY**

The Chairman referred to the tragic and untimely death of Joey Dunlop, the renowned motor cycle racer from Ballymoney. He referred to the love, warmth, respect and admiration which Joey had instilled in not just the local community but throughout the world of motor cycling.

Members stood in silence as a mark of respect. The Mayor had sent a letter of sympathy to his family and a Book of Condolence had been opened in Coleraine Leisure Centre.

## **2.0 REFURBISHMENT AND EXTENSION OF FLOWERFIELD ARTS CENTRE**

The Chairman welcomed Mr. T. Stevens, Mr. C. Maguire and Mr. R. Young from Consarc Design Group who were in attendance to present their proposals for the refurbishment and extension of Flowerfield Arts Centre.

The representatives outlined their proposals which incorporated a new building at the rear of Flowerfield House, enhanced landscaping and car parking.

The cost of the scheme was estimated at approximately £1.68m. Grant aid would be sought through various bodies including the Arts Lottery Fund. The scheme would be further developed and a final cost estimate would be presented to Committee.

The Chairman thanked the representatives for the excellent presentation.

## **3.0 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

### **3.1 Arcadia Improvement Scheme**

The Director of Technical Services reported that the representatives from Ferguson McIlveen had been delayed. The presentation would take place later in the Meeting.



## 3.2 D.O.E. Roads Service

### 3.2.1 Proposed Abandonment - Ballyhackett Lane, Castlerock

The Department proposed to abandon a portion of Ballyhackett Lane, Castlerock. The stretch of roadway was no longer considered necessary for vehicular and pedestrian traffic and would be transferred to the Environment and Heritage Service who own the bed and soil of the area.

Recommended:

That Council agree.

## 3.3 The Controlled Waste (Registration of Carriers and Seizure of Vehicles) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999

Legislation required transporters of controlled waste to register with the Environment and Heritage Service. The Department has requested Council to require all account holders at Craigahulliar Landfill Site to provide their registration details or to indicate why they are exempt from registration. Anyone who failed to comply would have their account closed and denied access to the site.

The Duty of Care Regulations under Article 5 of the Waste and Contaminated Land (N.I.) Order 1997, which is due to come into operation later this year, will place the statutory responsibility on Councils as receivers of waste to ensure that the carriers using Council facilities for disposal purposes are properly registered and authorised.

Recommended:

That Council agree.

3.4 Trade Waste – Charging System

At the May, 2000 meeting of Council proposals had been approved regarding the method of charging for trade waste collections. Each customer with an agreement with Council to collect their trade waste was informed of the proposals and of the commencement date of 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2000.

Recommended:

That Council proceed with the arrangements to purchase the necessary bags and tape in preparation of the October implementation date.

3.5 Capping Contract - Craigahulliar Landfill Site

Seven tenders had been received for the capping contract at Craigahulliar Landfill Site as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Tender Amount</u>
	£
1. F. P. McCann	127,550.74
2. TAL Ltd.	142,075.80
3. GBL	159,287.20
4. R. J. Maxwell	164,706.07
5. Crawford Contracts Ltd.	169,000.00
6. B. Mullan & Sons	215,022.00
7. JPM Contractors	533,420.00

Recommended:

That Council accept the lowest tender from F. P. McCann in the sum of £127,550.74.

### 3.6 New Toilet Block – Portballintrae

#### 3.6.1 Main Contract

From a select list of six Contractors three tenders were received as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Tender Amount</u>
	£
1. Drumdollagh Construction, Armoy	111,900.00
2. E. Kearney, Portglenone	119,547.00
3. JPM Contracts, Dungiven	147,700.00

An arithmetical check on the lowest tender from Drumdollagh Construction resulted in a corrected tender amount of £113,423.55. The Contractor is standing by the tender amount of £111,900.00.

Recommended:

That the lowest tender from Drumdollagh Construction, Armoy in the sum of £111,900.00 be accepted.

#### 3.6.2 Electrical Services

From a select list of six electrical contractors five tenders were received as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Tender Amount</u>
	£
1. R. H. K. Davidson, Coleraine	7,569.00
2. D. C. Electrical Services, Portrush	7,728.00

3. Nevin Electrics, Coleraine	8,357.00
4. William Pinkerton, Limavady	8,840.00
5. J. F. & H. Dowds, Ballymoney	8,914.00

Recommended:

That Council accept the lowest tender from R. H. K. Davidson in the sum of £7,569.00.

### 3.6.3 Mechanical Services

From a select list of five mechanical contractors two tenders were received as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Tender Amount</u>
	£
1. Bateson Bros., Magherafelt	14,781.00
2. B. J. McKay, Randalstown	17,606.00

Recommended:

That Council accept the lowest tender from Bateson Bros., Magherafelt in the sum of £14,781.00.

### 3.6.4 Cost of Scheme

It was noted that adjusting the tender figure to take account of the actual electrical and mechanical quotations reduced the cost of the scheme to £105,083.75.

### 3.7 Static Compactor

Three tenders had been received for the supply and delivery of a static compactor for Loughanhill Depot as follows:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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		£
1. Moovmoor Engineering Ltd., Kildare	Moovmoor Mark 3	10,268.00
2. H. R. Holfeld Machinery Ltd. Lisburn	Anchorpac Model AP2200	16,868.00
3. D. A. Forgie Limavady	Pakawaste Powekrush 95	26,591.00

Recommended:

That Council accept the tender from H. R. Holfeld Machinery Ltd., Lisburn in the sum of £16,868.00 as recommended by the Director of Technical Services.

### 3.8 Entertainments Licences

#### 3.8.1 Shenanigans & O'Haras, 78 The Promenade, Portstewart

An application had been received in respect of Shenanigans & O'Haras, 78 The Promenade, Portstewart for variation of licence to include extension of hours to Sunday mornings from 1.00 a.m. – 2.00 a.m.

Recommended:

That the application for variation of the Entertainments Licence be granted.

#### 3.8.2 The Springhill Bar, 15/17 Causeway Street, Portrush

An application had been received for the renewal of the Entertainments Licence in respect of The Springhill Bar, 15/17 Causeway Street, Portrush.

Committee noted that as objections had been received to this application this matter would be considered at the July Meeting of Council.

3.9 Street Trading Licence

An application for the grant of a Street Trading Licence had been received from:

Mr. B. Dowey, 7 Castlehill Court,  
Ballymoney

Recommended:

That a Street Trading Licence  
be granted.

3.10 UK Management Plan for Exports and Imports of Waste - Consultation Paper

The Director of Technical Services outlined the UK Government's policies on exports and imports to and from the United Kingdom.

The most significant point from the local perspective was the relaxation of legislation to permit transportation of waste between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland to accommodate sub-regional waste management plans.

The Local Government Technical Advisors Group would formulate a corporate response.

Noted.

3.11 Building Control

3.11.1 Approvals

Approval had been given for sixty-one applications.

3.11.2 Report

The Director of Technical Services was asked to present a report on Building Control twice a year.

3.12 For Information

The Director of Technical Services provided information in his report on the following:

- (a) Property Certificates

#### **4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

4.1 Legal Proceedings

It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Councillor Bradley and agreed that these items be considered “In Committee” at the end of the meeting.

4.2 For Information

The Director of Environmental Health provided information in his report on the following:

- (a) Seminar – “Radiation Issues – Fact or Fiction”;
- (b) National Food Safety Week;
- (c) Vehicle Exhaust Emission Testing.

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

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

Matters arising:

5.1 National Cycle Route

Reported that The National Cycle – Route 93 was almost complete and one of the links for the main route to Portrush is from the West Strand Car Park to Kerr Street via The Promenade. In the past cycling was not permitted along The Promenade and this is reflected in the existing bye-laws.

Recommended:

That Council permit dual use of the West Bay Promenade for cycling.

It was also proposed by Councillor McClarty, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Black and recommended:

That Council rescind the existing prohibition regarding cycling on the West Bay Promenade, Portrush as contained in the Bye-laws for Seashores, Esplanades and Promenades – 1990.

5.2 Kilrea Sports Hall

Recommended:

That Council advertise for Main Contractors and Mechanical and Electrical companies who wish to be considered for inclusion on a select list for the Kilrea



Sports Hall Scheme.

5.3 Portrush Harbour

Recommended:

That approval be granted to remove sand from Portrush Harbour during low tides in September in an attempt to overcome the problem of silting up at the Harbour entrance and along the South Pier.

5.4 Portstewart Carnival

Recommended:

That Council assist the Portstewart Carnival, 24<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> July, 2000, as in previous years.

5.5 Local Government Arts Conference

The Local Government Arts Council Conference would be held in Bangor, Co. Down on 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2000.

Recommended:

That Councillors McClarty and Mullan and an officer attend the Conference.

5.6 Sports Development Officer

It was proposed by Councillor McClarty, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Black and recommended:

That the post of Sports Development Officer be

made a permanent position.

5.7 Portstewart Football Club

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

5.8 Mini-Car Rally

Recommended:

That Council grant permission for The Causeway Coast Mini-Car Club to use the Dunluce Centre Car Park, Portrush on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2000 from 11.30 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. to hold a rally and autotest.

5.9 Request for Assistance - Portrush Summer Theatre

Recommended:

That Council contribute £1,500 to Portrush Summer Theatre towards the Summer Season of Amateur Drama from 12<sup>th</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2000.

5.10 Coleraine Leisure Centre - Fitness Suite

The Director of Leisure Services advised members that the future needs of the fitness suite at Coleraine Leisure Centre would require consideration at the next meeting of Committee in September.

It was recommended that a small committee, consisting of the following members, be formed to visit fitness suites in other areas:

The Chairman, Councillor O'Hara

Alderman Watt  
Councillors Bradley, McClarty  
and Mullan

A detailed report would be presented to  
Committee in September.

5.11 For Information

The Director of Leisure Services provided  
information in his report on the following:

- (a) 'What's On' – July – December;
- (b) Milk Cup Millennium Carnival.

**6.0 ARCADIA IMPROVEMENT SCHEME**

The Chairman welcomed Mr. K. Graham and Mrs. K. Adams from Ferguson McIlveen who were in attendance to present proposals for the Arcadia Improvement Scheme.

The representatives outlined the proposals and costings as follows:

	£
Portneen	80,000
Former Paddling Pool Areas	76,000
Central Steps, Grass Terraces and Promenade	395,000
Arcadia Water, Sand and Rope Play Area	255,000
New Feature Building	258,000
Repairs to Sea Wall (excluding Arcadia Site)	<u>31,000</u>
	<u>1,095,000</u>

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Bradley, seconded by Alderman King and recommended:

That Council agree, in principle, to proceed with design proposals.

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

#### **7.0 PORTRUSH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP**

Read letter of thanks from Portrush Community Development Group for Council's continued interest and financial support for the 'Party at the Port' festival.

Noted.

#### **8.0 UNIVERSITY OF ULSTER**

Read letter of thanks from the University of Ulster for Council's financial support for Talks and Tours 2000.

Noted.

#### **9.0 V.I.P. VISIT**

Members were advised of a V.I.P. visit on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2000 between 10.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. A formal notice would be issued in due course.

#### **10.0 NORTH-WEST CROSS-BORDER WASTE MANAGEMENT GROUP**

Read letter from Magherafelt District Council seeking support for increasing the number of Council representatives on the North-West Cross-Border Waste Management Group from two to four.

The Director of Technical Services commented on the proposal.

Recommended:

That Council support existing membership of two representatives per Council.

## **11.0 PAVILION - ANDERSON PARK, COLERAINE**

Reference was made to naming the new pavilion at Anderson Park, Coleraine.

Following discussion it was agreed that this matter be considered at a future meeting of Committee.

## **12.0 “IN COMMITTEE”**

It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Councillor McPherson and agreed that these matters be considered “In Committee”:

### **12.1 Legal Proceedings**

#### **12.1.1 Public Health Acts 1878 – 1967 Environmental Pollution**

Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, regarding a complaint from Mrs. K. Mulholland in respect of environmental pollution arising from accumulations of farmyard waste and yard washings from a farmyard owned by Mr. D. Linton of 31 Gortacloughan Lane, Garvagh. The environmental pollution was affecting a dwelling at 32 Gortacloughan Lane, Garvagh owned by Mrs. K. Mulholland.

A statutory abatement notice had been served under delegated authority on Mr. Linton requiring previously agreed remedial measures to be completed by 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2000.

Mrs. Mulholland had again complained that the public health nuisance still existed and whilst some work had commenced, to date

Mr. Linton had not complied with the terms of the notice.

Recommended:

That legal proceedings be instituted against Mr. David Linton to secure abatement of the public health nuisance at 32 Gortacloughan Lane, Garvagh in the event of non-compliance with the notice by 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2000.

12.1.2 The Shops (Sunday Trading etc.) (N.I.) Order 1997  
Jingles, 15/17 Main Street,  
Portrush

Committee noted information, as detailed in the report, of the contravention by the proprietor of Jingles, 15/17 Main Street, Portrush regarding offences under Article 3 of The Shops (Sunday Trading, etc.) (N.I.) Order 1997.

A stall had been operated from the front of the large shop known as Jingles at 15/17 Main Street, Portrush on Easter Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2000.

Recommended:

That legal proceedings be instituted against Mrs. Marta Smyth for a contravention of Articles 3 and 6 of The Shops (Sunday Trading etc.) (N.I.) Order 1997.

## 12.2 Portstewart Football Club

The Director of Leisure Services outlined the background in relation to the land at Mullaghacall, Portstewart leased to Portstewart Football Club and specifically the rent arrears of £5,600.

Following a full discussion on this topic it was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Church and recommended:

That Council grant the Club a rent free period in respect of the time when the facilities were being developed.

The District Valuer would be asked to reassess the rental in light of the current position.

The matter would be kept under review.

On the proposal of Councillor McPherson and seconded by the Mayor the members resolved themselves out of "Committee" and ratified the recommendations made therein.

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

17th July, 2000.

**Present:** Councillor G. L. McLaughlin in the Chair  
The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)  
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

### **Aldermen**

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)	W. J. McClure
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.) (Items 1.0 – 2.5)	W. J. Watt (Items 1.0 – 2.36)
W. H. King	

### **Councillors**

D. D. Barbour	D. McClarty
E. T. Black (Mrs.) (Item 1.0)	(Items 1.0 – 2.33)
R. S. Bolton	R. A. McPherson
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	W. Mathews
W. T. Creelman	E. M. Mullan
N. F. Hillis	E. O'Hara
	R. D. Stewart

**Also in Attendance:** Representatives from the Planning Service –  
Mr. J. Cavalleros, Miss H. Clements and Miss J. McMullan

**Officers in Attendance:** Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Senior Environmental Health Officer and Administrative Assistant

**Apologies:** Councillors Bradley and Dallat

### 1.0 **PROPOSED NEW RETAIL CENTRE - BRIDGE STREET/HANOVER PLACE, COLERAINE PLANNING APPLICATION NO. C/2000/0432/F**

The Chairman welcomed Mr. B. Henning, Mr. M. Quinn and Mr. J. Lee who were in attendance to address Committee, on behalf of the developers, regarding the proposed new retail centre at Bridge Street/Hanover Place, Coleraine.

The shopping centre would comprise approximately 114,145 sq. ft. of retail space arranged over three levels providing direct access on to The Diamond and Bridge Street. The scheme would provide some 34 unit shops ranging in size from 260 sq. ft. to 14,000 sq. ft.

The complex would be called the Diamond Centre and it was anticipated that the completion date would be Easter 2002.



A full discussion ensued during which the representatives answered various members' questions.

The members welcomed the project and it was agreed that the application be approved.

The Chairman thanked the representatives for their attendance after which they withdrew.

## 2.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A list of ninety-three applications was considered (previously supplied).

### Applications Deferred from Previous Meeting

- 2.1        Application No. D1  
C/2000/0193/F  
Change of use from amenity area to  
2 no. temporary decant sites each  
comprising 5 no. mobile dwellings, 5  
no. storage units and ancillary  
accommodation at Site A: The green  
area between Beech Drive, Maple  
Drive and Beech Avenue, Coleraine  
and Site B: The green area at  
Laburnum Place, Coleraine for  
Northern Ireland Housing Executive
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- Ms. S. Farren, Ms. Y. Madden and Mr. J. Moffett addressed Committee on behalf of the residents of Laburnum Place, Coleraine who were objecting to the application.
- Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor McPherson, seconded by Councillor Creelman and agreed:
- That the application be referred to the Planning Service Management Board for decision with a recommendation to refuse.
- 2.2        Application No. D2  
C/2000/0198/F  
Change of use from agricultural land  
to golf course and erection of  
ancillary building (machinery store,  
offices, toilets) and car park at  
Lisnagalt, Ballyrashane Road,  
Coleraine for Mr. R. McMillan
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- The applicant, Mr. R. McMillan, addressed Committee and elaborated on his proposal.
- Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman Watt and seconded by Councillor McClarty:
- That the application be approved.
- On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, fourteen members voting in favour and no one voting against.
- 2.3        Application No. D3  
C/2000/0252/F
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

	<u>Alterations and extension to dwelling at The Lodge, Ballyhome Road, Crocknamolt, Portrush for Mr. A. F. I. McCullough</u>	It was agreed that the application be deferred for fourteen days to enable the applicant to discuss the proposal with the Planning Service. If agreement could be reached the application would be approved otherwise the application would be refused.
2.4	<u>Application No. D4 C/2000/0258/F Erection of 2 no. cottages to rear of apartments currently under construction at former Ballintrae Hotel, Seaport Avenue, Portballintrae for Mr. S. Lyle</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  It was agreed that the application be refused.
2.5	<u>Application No. D5 C/2000/0273/F Erection of 6 no. semi-detached dwellings and 1 no. detached dwelling at Sites No. 32, 33, 33A, 34, 34A, 35 and 35A Ballywillan Road, Portrush for Cherrybrook Construction</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.
2.6	<u>Application No. D6 C/2000/0301/O Site for dwelling opposite 116 Carrowreagh Road, Garvagh for Heather Warwick</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  It was agreed that the application be deferred for seven days to enable the applicant to discuss the proposal with the Planning Service. If agreement could be reached the application would be approved otherwise the application would be refused.
2.7	<u>Application No. D7 C/2000/0305/O Site for dwelling and garage 110 metres north-west of 129 Moneydig Road, Kilrea for Mr. M. McGarvey</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  It was proposed by Councillor Mullan and seconded by Alderman Watt:  That the application be approved.  On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, seven members voting in favour and three members voting against.
2.8	<u>Application No. D8 C/2000/0318/O</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

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|      | <u>Site for dwelling and garage adjacent to No. 52 Drumeil Road, Aghadowey for Mr. K. McAfee</u>   | The application had been withdrawn.  |
| 2.9  | <u>Application No. D9 C/2000/0327/F</u><br><u>Erection of dwelling 200 metres south-east of No. 12 Culnagrew Road, Swatragh for J. Gunning</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.<br><br>It was agreed that the application be approved. |
| 2.10 | <u>Application No. D10 C/2000/0362/O</u><br><u>Site for new dwelling at Ballyhackett Road, Castlerock, Coleraine for Mr. W. Purcell</u>        | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.<br><br>It was agreed that the application be refused.   |

### **New Applications**

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| 2.11 | <u>Application No. 7 C/2000/0264/F</u><br><u>Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 14 no. apartments (two-storey plus basement level) with covered car park at former swimming pool complex and library, Main Street, Castlerock for Northern Builders</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.<br><br>No further representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved. |
| 2.12 | <u>Application No. 10 C/2000/0293/F</u><br><u>Erection of one-and-a-half storey dwelling and garage on land between junction of Cloyfin Road and Ballybogey Road, Coleraine for Mr. R. Barry</u>  | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.<br><br>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.         |
| 2.13 | <u>Application No. 13 C/2000/0311/F</u><br><u>Erection of new car showroom with workshops to rear with customer, staff, service and sales parking to front and sides on site at Somerset Road, Coleraine for Roadside Garages Ltd.</u>                                | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.<br><br>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.         |
| 2.14 | <u>Application No. 14 C/2000/0312/F</u><br><u>Erection of detached domestic garage at 12 Beaghville Drive, Portrush for Mr. T. Gamble</u>   | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.<br><br>It was noted that this was a retrospective application.<br><br>Following discussion it was proposed by                       |

Councillor Stewart, seconded by Alderman McClure and agreed:

That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.

- 2.15      Application No. 23  
C/2000/0381/O  
Site for dwelling on land off Glebe Road, Little Glebe, Macosquin for Mr. Archibald
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for fourteen days to enable the applicant to withdraw the application otherwise it would be refused.
- 2.16      Application No. 25  
C/2000/0389/F  
Redevelopment of car sales site to provide bulky goods retail warehouse at 2 Somerset Road, Coleraine for Autozone
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.
- 2.17      Application No. 29  
C/2000/0403/F  
Erection of 2 no. semi-detached dwellings at 15 and 16 Somerset Mews, Coleraine for Mr. M. Barr
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- No further representations had been received within the statutory consultation period. The application would be refused.
- 2.18      Application No. 33  
C/2000/0410/F  
Amendment to planning consents reference C/96/0468 and C/97/0106 to include alteration to site layout, change of two house types and addition of one house at West Strand Road, Portrush for Seaport Investments
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.
- 2.19      Application No. 35  
C/2000/0412/O  
Site for 2 no. private houses at former Killure Primary School, 231 Drumcroon Road, Coleraine for North Eastern Education and Library Board
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.
- 2.20      Application No. 36
- The opinion of the Planning Service was

- C/2000/0413/O  
Site for dwelling and garage on land to rear of No. 49 Cullycapple Road, Aghadowey for Mr. C. McGill
- to refuse.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
- 2.21 Application No. 41  
C/2000/0427/F  
Erection of single storey Nursery School at The Irish Society Primary School, 3 Rugby Avenue, Coleraine for the North Eastern Education and Library Board
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- No further representations had been received within the consultation period and the application would be approved.
- 2.22 Application No. 42  
C/2000/0429/F  
Erection of temporary (12 months) portacabin at 1 Knockbracken Park, Coleraine for Rainbows Nursery
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- No further representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.
- 2.23 Application No. 47  
C/2000/0436/F  
Erection of 6 no. apartments (new three-storey building) at 45 Lodge Road, Coleraine for Tara Developments
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- Miss P. McCausland and Mr. I. Hunter addressed Committee on behalf of the residents of Gordonville, Lodge Road, Coleraine and voiced objections to this application in relation to loss of privacy and environmental issues.
- It was proposed by Councillor O'Hara and seconded by Councillor Mullan:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.
- As an amendment it was proposed by Alderman King and seconded by Alderman Ms. Alexander:
- That the application be refused.
- On being put to the Meeting the amendment was carried, fourteen members voting in favour and one member voting against.

2.24	<u>Application No. 59</u> <u>C/2000/0456/O</u> <u>Site for replacement dwelling at 15</u> <u>Mayoghill Road, Garvagh for</u> <u>Mr. J. Stewart</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.</p>
2.25	<u>Application No. 61</u> <u>C/2000/0458/O</u> <u>Site for dwelling house adjacent to</u> <u>100 Mullaghinch Road, Artigarvan,</u> <u>Aghadowey for Ms. O'Neill</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>This application was invalid and was withdrawn from consideration.</p>
2.26	<u>Application No. 62</u> <u>C/2000/0461/F</u> <u>Erection of dwelling at Loughan</u> <u>Road (adjacent to Lyle Memorial</u> <u>Orange Hall and St. Paul's Church),</u> <u>Coleraine for Mr. A. Kennedy</u>	<p>Councillor O'Hara declared an interest in this application.</p> <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved.</p>
2.27	<u>Application No. 63</u> <u>C/2000/0462/F</u> <u>Single storey front and rear</u> <u>extension at 7 Tiban Cottages,</u> <u>Shanlongford Road, Ringsend for</u> <u>Mr. and Mrs. Robinson</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>Reported that satisfactory amended plans had been received and the application would be approved.</p>
2.28	<u>Application No. 64</u> <u>C/2000/0465/RO</u> <u>Proposed replacement dwelling at</u> <u>South Ballylagan, Ballylagan Road,</u> <u>Coleraine for Mr. and Mrs. M</u> <u>Benson</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.</p>
2.29	<u>Application No. 71</u> <u>C/2000/0473/F</u> <u>Erection of a front, rear and first floor</u> <u>extension to existing dwelling at 36</u> <u>Sconce Road, Articlave for</u> <u>Mr. T. Wilton-Rumney</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be deferred for fourteen days to facilitate the submission of amended plans otherwise the application would be refused.</p>
2.30	<u>Application No. 74</u> <u>C/2000/0481/O</u> <u>Dwelling 160 metres west of No. 11</u> <u>Ballyhackett Lane, Castlerock for</u> <u>Mr. W. Purcell</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.</p>
2.31	<u>Application No. 76</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was</p>

	<u>C/2000/0485/F</u> <u>Erection of 3 no. apartments (three-storey) at No. 7 Causeway View, Portrush for Mr. H. Mullan</u>	to refuse.  It was proposed by Councillor O'Hara, seconded by Councillor Stewart and agreed:  That the application be deferred for fourteen days to enable the applicant to discuss the proposal with the Planning Service.  If agreement could be reached the application would be approved otherwise the application would be refused.
2.32	<u>Application No. 77</u> <u>C/2000/0487/F</u> <u>Erection of two-storey dwelling with detached garage adjacent to 61 Altikeeragh Road, Castlerock for Mr. J. Pollock</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.  It was agreed that the application be deferred for fourteen days to enable the applicant to discuss the proposal with the Planning Service. If agreement could be reached the application would be approved otherwise the application would be refused.
2.33	<u>Application No. 78</u> <u>C/2000/0488/F</u> <u>Erection of two-storey building containing 3 no. single bedroom dwellings and three garages at 1 Crocknamack Street, Portrush for Mr. C. Gardner</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  Representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.  Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman Ms. Alexander, seconded by Councillor Stewart and agreed: That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
2.34	<u>Application No. 79</u> <u>C/2000/0490/O</u> <u>Site for new one-and-a-half-storey dwelling at Ardreagh Road, Aghadowey for Mr. J. Kelly</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
2.35	<u>Application No. 83</u> <u>C/2000/0494/F</u> <u>Demolition of dwelling and</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

replacement with 4 no. apartments for rental at 103 Coleraine Road, Portstewart for Mrs. E. Mullan

No further representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.

2.36 General Matters

- (a) Replacement dwelling – Lodge Road, Coleraine;
- (b) Amended Plans – 106 Coleraine Road, Portrush;
- (c) Height of development – Bayview Hotel site.

**3.0 WELCOME**

The Chairman welcomed Miss Joanne McMullan from the Planning Service to her first meeting of Committee.

**4.0 MANAGEMENT BOARD REFERRAL - SITE FOR DWELLING AT BALLYAGAN ROAD, GARVAGH FOR MR. W. CRAWFORD**

Read letter from the Planning Service Management Board regarding the above planning application which had been referred for consideration.

Following careful consideration of the submission from Council, the Management Board had reviewed this particular case and had concluded that the Department should not grant planning permission.

Noted.

**5.0 PLANNING APPEALS COMMISSION - YOUNGER HOMES LTD. LAND BETWEEN 1 TULLYBEG AVENUE AND HOMELEA, CASTLEROCK ROAD, COLERAINE**

Read letter from the Planning Appeals Commission advising Council that the above appeal by Younger Homes Ltd. had been allowed.

Noted.

**6.0 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INSTALL COMMUNICATIONS APPARATUS AT NURSERY AVENUE, COLERAINE**

Reported that the Department of the Environment had received notification on 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2000 from One-2-One of the intention to erect a mobile telecommunications mast under Part 17 of Schedule 1 to the Planning (General Development) Order (N.I.) 1993 as amended by the Planning (General Development) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998 at Nursery Avenue, Coleraine. The proposal would be advertised in the local press.

Noted.

**7.0 RURAL COMMUNITY NETWORK**



Tabled:

Policy Discussion Document – ‘Rural Settlement Patterns and Physical Planning Policy in Northern Ireland’.

**8.0 PLANNING APPEALS COMMISSION - BULLETIN**

Tabled:

Planning Appeals Commission’s Bulletin – May, 2000.

## **POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**18<sup>th</sup> July, 2000.**

**Present:** Councillor D. D. Barbour in the Chair  
The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)  
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

### **Aldermen**

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) (Items 2.3 – 18.0)	W. H. King
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.) (Items 2.3 – 5.0)	W. J. McClure W. J. Watt

### **Councillors**

E. T. Black (Mrs.) (Items 4.0 – 18.0)	G. L. McLaughlin
R. S. Bolton	R. A. McPherson
J. M. Bradley (Items 2.3 – 18.0)	W. Mathews
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	E. M. Mullan (Items 4.0 – 18.0)
W. T. Creelman (Items 4.0 – 18.0)	E. O'Hara (Items 1.0 – 16.0)
N. F. Hillis	R. D. Stewart (Items 2.2 – 18.0)
D. McClarty	

### **Officers in**

**Attendance:** Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services, Head of Development Services (Items 1.0 – 5.0), Tourism and Marketing Officer (Items 1.0 – 5.0), Policy Development Officer, Finance Officer (Items 1.0 – 5.0) and Administrative Assistant

**Apology:** Councillor Dallat

## **1.0 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

### **Personnel**

#### **1.1 New Appointments**

The following appointments had been made in accordance with the Local Government Staff Commission's Code of Procedure on Recruitment and Selection:

## **Corporate Services Department**

Personnel Assistant (Job Share) (Existing Post)  
Mrs L. M. McElholm

## **Leisure Services Department**

Part-Time Centre Attendant (Female) (Replacement)

Miss J. H. Nelson

## **Technical Services Department**

L.G.V. Driver (New Post)  
Mr J. Dinsmore

Driver/Labourer – Craigahulliar Landfill Site  
(Replacement)  
Mr. S. M. Creelman

Labourer – Craigahulliar Landfill Site  
(Replacement)  
Mr. S. J. Moody

## **Finance**

1.2 Accounts Committee noted that creditors' payments, as per lists circulated, had been issued as follows:

**Revenue A/C - £1,164,836.07**  
**Capital A/C - £850,767.92**

## **2.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

### **2.1 CCTV Presentation**

It was noted that this item would be considered under item 5.0 on the agenda.

### **2.2 REVE Conference**

Recommended:

That the Mayor and the Economic Development Assistant attend the REVE Conference to be held in Assen (Holland) from 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2000.

### **2.3 Tourism Development Strategy**

Consideration was given to the draft tourism development strategy – consultative document (previously supplied). Committee noted that the report had been launched on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2000 for consultation until the end of

September, 2000 at which stage it would be finalised and published.

Council is recommended to organise a familiarisation visit to Southern Ireland in early September, 2000 to view examples of relevant tourism projects as described in the report. Key representatives from the local tourism industry would be invited to participate.

It was also recommended that the Chairman (Councillor Barbour), Vice Chairman (Councillor Bradley) and Councillor Hillis (Regional Tourism representative) represent Council on the familiarisation visit.

2.4 Irish Football Association - Junior Quadrangular Tournament (proposed)

The Irish Football Association had requested Council to provide a closing banquet and training facilities at Rugby Avenue, Coleraine for a proposed Junior Quadrangular Tournament from 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2001.

Recommended:

That Council contribute £1,500 towards the cost of the closing banquet together with the use of training facilities.

2.5 Internal Communications

Recommended:

That K2I – Consultants be appointed to carry out the communications training as reported at the June meeting of Committee.

### **3.0 FREE TRAVEL FOR OLDER PEOPLE**

Consideration was given to a letter from the Minister for Regional Development, together with a Report by the Director of Corporate Services (previously supplied) on the topic of Free Travel For Older People.

The Minister had requested that Council consider options, as detailed in the letter, regarding the funding of this issue by District Councils should additional central government funding not be available.

Committee also noted from the Director of Corporate Services' Report that an annual cost of £150,000 could be involved.

Following a full discussion it was recommended:

That Council agree to the following order of preference regarding the three options for the funding of this issue:

1. Continue with the status quo, viz., half-fare concession for those over 65 funded directly by the Department;
2. Enable Councils to contribute from the district rate to a scheme administered by the Department to provide free travel for all older people in Northern Ireland;
3. Introduction of an enabling power permitting individual Councils to contribute from the district rate to fund agreements with bus operators within their areas.

#### **4.0 COLERAINE CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAU - ACCOMMODATION**

The Chairman welcomed Mrs. A. Welch and Mr. D. Christie from Coleraine Citizens' Advice Bureau who were in attendance to request Council to make a financial contribution towards the cost of the Bureau renting new premises in Coleraine.

Mrs. Welch outlined the reasons why the Bureau was required to vacate its existing premises and advised that premises at 24 Lodge Road, Coleraine had been identified as being suitable for their requirements. A contribution of £6,000 was requested from Council to assist with increased rental costs for the current financial year.

A full discussion ensued on this topic during which Mrs. Welch answered various members' questions.

It was proposed by Alderman Watt, seconded by Councillor Stewart and recommended:

That Council contribute an additional £6,000 to Coleraine Citizens' Advice Bureau in the 2000/2001 financial year towards the cost of renting their new premises at 24 Lodge Road, Coleraine.

The Chairman thanked Mrs. Welch and Mr. Christie for attending after which they withdrew.

#### **5.0 COLERAINE TOWN CENTRE - CCTV PROJECT**

The Chairman welcomed Chief Inspector N. Kyle, R.U.C., Coleraine and Mrs. S. Scott, Town Centre Manager, representatives for the CCTV Working Group, who were in attendance to present revised costings (report circulated) for the CCTV project.

The revised costings were for an eight camera CCTV system for Coleraine town centre to include cameras at the Market Yard and Anderson Park.

Committee noted that it was proposed that a new company, Coleraine Safer Town Ltd., made up of representatives from the public and private sector would be established to manage the CCTV project.

Council was requested to provide financial assistance for the project as follows:

	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>
<b>Capital</b>	£ 7,867	£

<b>Revenue</b>	<u>17,881</u>	<u>18,881</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>25,748</u>	<u>18,881</u>

A full discussion ensued on this topic during which the representatives answered various members questions.

It was proposed by Councillor Stewart and seconded by Alderman McClure:

That Council provide the financial assistance as requested for the CCTV system over a two year period.

On being put to the meeting the proposal was carried by eighteen votes to one.

The Chairman thanked the representatives for attending after which they withdrew.

## **6.0 COURT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ULSTER**

Read letter from the Head of Administrative Services – University of Ulster advising that the current term of office of Council's two representatives on the University's Court would expire on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2000.

Council was invited to nominate two representatives for the four year period commencing 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2000.

Recommended:

That Councillors Mrs. Black and Mrs. Church be re-nominated as Council's representatives for the four year period from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2000.

## **7.0 APPOINTMENT OF EQUALITY WORKING GROUP**

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that as part of Council's Equality Scheme it was necessary to appoint a Members' Equality Working Group reflecting the political representation on Council.

Following discussion it was recommended that the Working Group comprise six members, viz., two Ulster Unionists plus one from each other political party and an independent member.

Each party, plus independent members, were asked to advise the Town Clerk and Chief Executive of their nominations for the Working Group as soon as possible.

## **8.0 CIVIC HEADQUARTERS PROJECT**

Consideration was given to the minutes of the Civic Headquarters Project Steering Group meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2000 (previously supplied) and the contents noted.

## **9.0 EMERGENCY PLANNING AND THE ROLE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVES IN MAJOR EMERGENCIES**

Consideration was given to a letter from the Department of the Environment (previously supplied) regarding Emergency Planning and the Role of Chief Executives in Major Emergencies and the contents noted. Council's local emergency plan was currently

being updated.

#### **10.0 PROPOSAL TO REMOVE 45MPH SPEED RESTRICTION FOR LEARNER DRIVERS**

Consideration was given to a letter from the Road Safety Branch of the D.O.E. (previously supplied) regarding a proposal to remove the 45mph speed restriction for learner drivers. This would facilitate the training and testing of learner drivers in excess of 45mph. Councils had been invited to comment on this proposal and a possible later review of the 'R' Driver Scheme.

Following discussion it was recommended that Council oppose the proposed removal of the 45mph speed restriction for learner drivers at this time and support the retention of the 'R' Driver Scheme.

#### **11.0 BURNSIDE POST OFFICE**

Read letter from the Post Office advising that from 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2000 Burnside Post Office, 54 Prospect Road, Portstewart would be re-locating to:

Costcutter Supermarket,  
Larkhill Service Station,  
171 Coleraine Road,  
Portstewart.

Noted.

#### **12.0 NTL GROUP LTD. – CONSTRUCTION WORK, COLERAINE**

Read letter from NTL Group Ltd., advising that construction work on the provision of ductwork and associated chambers through Coleraine town would commence from 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2000. The work was connected with the provision of a fibre telecommunications and cable TV network linking Belfast and Londonderry.

Access would be maintained to effected properties and disruption kept to a minimum.

Noted.

#### **13.0 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

Tabled:

Report on Leader II in Northern Ireland - "A Measure of Success".

#### **14.0 PRINCIPAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Reference was made to Mr. C. A. Miller, Principal Administrative Officer who was currently on sick leave. The Town Clerk and Chief Executive was asked to convey members' best wishes to Mr. Miller for a speedy recovery.

#### **15.0 LAND AND PROPERTY**

15.1 Land at Anderson Park, Roads Service had advised that the Valuation

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and Lands Agency had estimated the value of the small area of land, to be acquired from Council, at the junction of Circular Road and the Rampart at £400. The land was required to facilitate the widening of the corner to allow bus access to the Mall Car Park area.

Council is recommended to accept the compensation of £400. Roads Service would also be responsible for the payment of Council's legal costs.

### 15.2 Improvements to Sewage Pumping Stations at: (a) The Promenade, Castlerock (b) The Crescent, Portstewart

Reported that proposals had been received from Water Service regarding proposed improvements to the sewage pumping stations at The Promenade, Castlerock and The Crescent, Portstewart. In both instances it was proposed to re-site the pumping stations underground with the work being carried out during Autumn/Winter 2000.

Council is recommended to agree to the re-siting of the pumping stations.

### 15.3 Development at Berne Road, Portstewart

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive updated Committee regarding the encroachment onto Council land adjacent to Berne toilets, Portstewart.

In view of the proposal by Water Service to re-locate the existing sewage pumping station at Berne toilets, there could be an opportunity to improve the status of Council's site at this location.

Following discussion it was recommended:

That the Town Clerk and Chief Executive be granted authority to negotiate with O'Neill Brothers on the issues of the possible re-siting of the sewage pumping station and resolving the encroachment onto Council land.

## **16.0 STATION SQUARE, PORTRUSH**

Reference was made to the possibility of Council acquiring the former go-karting site at Station Square, Portrush which was currently being offered for sale.

It was agreed that the Town Clerk and Chief Executive keep a watching brief on this matter and report back to a future meeting of Committee.



**17.0 MEMORIAL - JOEY DUNLOP**

Reference was made to the possibility of Council providing a memorial in memory of Joey Dunlop.

It was agreed that the Town Clerk and Chief Executive consider this matter and report back to a future meeting of Committee.

**18.0 KING GEORGE VI HALL - COLERAINE**

Reference was made to the current position regarding the transfer of ownership of the King George VI Hall from the N.I. Housing Executive to Council.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive would advise Committee regarding the up to date position on this matter.

## POLICE LIAISON COMMITTEE

20<sup>th</sup> July, 2000.

**Present:** The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)  
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

### **Aldermen**

W. J. McClure

W. H. King  
W. J. Watt

### **Councillors**

D. D. Barbour  
E. T. Black (Mrs.)  
R. S. Bolton

N. F. Hillis  
D. McClarty  
(Items 1.0 – 2.0)

J. M. Bradley  
R. A.

McPherson

(Items 1.0 – 2.0)  
O. M. Church (Mrs.)  
W. T. Creelman

E. O'Hara  
R. D. Stewart

### **Representatives from R.U.C.:**

Superintendent A. D. Cousley, Detective Sergeant B. Logan and Constable G. Fulton

### **Officers in**

**Attendance:** Town Clerk and Chief Executive and Administrative Assistant

**Apologies:** Alderman Mrs. Armitage and Councillor Mathews

## **1.0 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

It was proposed by the Mayor and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Black:

That Councillor McPherson be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Alderman McClure and seconded by Councillor Creelman:

That Councillor Stewart be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

On being put to the meeting, Councillor McPherson received nine votes and Councillor Stewart seven votes.

Councillor McPherson was duly elected Chairman and thanked members for his appointment.

The Chairman expressed the hope that all members would fully participate in the work of the Police Liaison Committee especially given the year of change which lies ahead.

### 1.1 Election of Vice Chairman

It was proposed by Alderman King and seconded by Alderman Watt:

That Councillor Mrs. Church be appointed Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

There being no other nominations Councillor Mrs. Church was duly elected Vice Chairman.

Councillor Mrs. Church thanked members for her appointment.

## 2.0 JUVENILE CRIME

The Chairman welcomed Constable Georgie Fulton, Juvenile Liaison Officer, who was in attendance to address Committee.

Constable Fulton elaborated on her work as Juvenile Liaison Officer and the role of the Juvenile Liaison Bureau (leaflet circulated).

Committee noted statistics regarding the number of referrals to the Juvenile Liaison Bureau over the last four year period, viz.:

1996/1997	-	498
1997/1998	-	466
1998/1999	-	606
1999/2000	-	702
2000 (April – July)	-	255

The Juvenile Liaison Bureau was a partnership of members from Education Welfare, Social Services, Police and Probation whose aim was to reduce the number of young people who had to appear in Court and whose objectives included prevention and diversion of young people from crime.

Four approaches could be taken by the Bureau:

1. Warning and Advice;
2. Official Caution;
3. Prosecution;
4. No Further Police Action.

Constable Fulton answered various members' questions on this topic.

The Chairman thanked Constable Fulton for her interesting and informative presentation.

## 3.0 SUB-DIVISIONAL CRIME TEAM

The Chairman welcomed Detective Sergeant Brian Logan, Head of the local Sub-Divisional Crime Team who was in attendance to address Committee.

Detective Sergeant Logan elaborated on the role and functions of the Crime Team which comprised of seven officers in targetting and preventing specific areas of crime.

Discussion ensued on this topic during which Detective Sergeant Logan answered various members' questions.

The Chairman thanked Detective Sergeant Logan for his interesting and informative presentation.

#### **4.0 REPORT OF THE CHIEF CONSTABLE 1999/2000**

Consideration was given to the Chief Constable's Report for 1999/2000 (previously supplied) and the contents noted.

#### **5.0 DRUGS SEIZURES - CRIME/ACCIDENT FIGURES**

Superintendent Cousley presented the latest statistics regarding seizure of prohibited substances, crime and accident figures.

Committee noted that in the current year to date, 58 persons had been arrested for drug offences and prohibited substances to the value of £15,100 seized.

The number of burglaries had reduced by 45% and thefts from vehicles by 69%.

Committee congratulated the R.U.C. on their success in these matters.

#### **6.0 THANKS**

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.