

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of Coleraine Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on TUESDAY the 24th day of October, 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 – 26th September, 2000
 - 1.2 Special Meeting – 16th October, 2000
2. Committee Reports (enclosed):
 - 2.1 Leisure and Environment Committee – 3rd October, 2000
 - 2.2 Planning Committee - 10th October, 2000
 - 2.3 Community/Police Forum – 12th October, 2000
 - 2.4 Policy and Development Committee – 17th October, 2000
3. Entertainments Licences (Report enclosed)
4. Roads Service Report – October 2000 (enclosed)
Mr. D. Orr, Divisional Roads Manager, will be in attendance.
5. Correspondence
6. Documents for Sealing

Enclosed for Information:

Minutes of the Meeting of the Northern Health and Social Services Council of 6th September, 2000.

To: Each Member of Council.

20th October, 2000.

COLERAINE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of proceedings of Coleraine Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on Tuesday, 26th September, 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.)
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)
(Items 3.1.1 – 15.0)

W. J. McClure
W. J. Watt

Councillors

R. S. Bolton
J. M. Bradley
(Items 3.1.1 – 15.0)
O. M. Church (Mrs.)
W. T. Creelman
(Items 3.1.2 – 15.0)
J. J. Dallat

N. F. Hillis
G. L. McLaughlin
R. A. McPherson
E. M. Mullan
(Items 3.1.1 – 15.0)
E. O'Hara

Officers in Attendance:

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Leisure Services (Items 1.0 – 3.1.3), Director of Corporate Services, Director of Environmental Health, Director of Technical Services, Senior Technical Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Alderman King, Councillors Barbour, Mrs. Black, McClarty, Mathews and Stewart

1.0 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 25th July, 2000 and the Special Meeting of 11th September, 2000 were confirmed and signed.

2.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

2.1 Leisure and Environment

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

Matters arising:

2.1.1 Entertainments Licence – Transfer – The Golf Hotel,

The Director of Technical Services reported that two letters of objection had been received

Castlerock

in respect of this transfer.

The Senior Technical Officer read letters from the Hanns Family, 15 Main Street, Castlerock and Mrs. J. A. Hamilton, 8B Main Street, Castlerock objecting to noise emissions from the premises during entertainment.

Mr. S. Lyle, applicant, addressed Council and elaborated on work carried out.

The Director of Technical Services recommended that the Licence be granted for six months subject to the following conditions:

- (a) All emergency exit doors in the areas licensed for entertainment to be kept closed during periods of entertainment. These doors to be fitted with alarms.
- (b) If noise complaints continue an electronic limiting device should be installed.

Council agreed to approve the licence transfer subject to the above conditions.

2.1.2 Arcadia Improvement Scheme

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Hillis and seconded by Alderman Ms. Alexander:

That Council accept the renovation proposals for the existing building to provide café and toilet facilities.

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

2.1.3 Roads Service – Portstewart

Reference was made to the letter from the Traffic and Network Development Manager advising that Roads Service now intended to erect railings along the whole length of Portstewart Promenade.

Members expressed disappointment that the original proposal to erect railings on only part of The Promenade had been arbitrarily extended.

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 Councillor O'Hara and agreed.

2.3 Policy and Development

The Vice Chairman, Councillor Bradley, moved

Committee

the adoption of the Policy and Development Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Alderman McClure.

Matters arising:

2.3.1 Review of Councillors' Allowances

Councillor McLaughlin reported on the Annual General Meeting of The National Association of Councillors which had been held in Newry on 22nd and 23rd September, 2000.

It was noted that the Department of the Environment had agreed to extend the consultation period, on proposals for the amendment of the current system of Councillors' Allowances, for a further month.

This matter would be considered at the October meeting of the Policy and Development Committee.

2.3.2 Bio-Northern Ireland Conference – 1st – 3rd October, 2000

In response to a query regarding the Bio-Northern Ireland Conference the Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that two members, The Mayor and Chairman of Committee and two officers would be attending.

Any other members interested in attending the Conference were requested to notify the Town Clerk and Chief Executive as soon as possible.

2.3.3 Allocating Resources to Health and Social Services Boards

Councillor McLaughlin reported on his attendance at the pre-consultation workshop in Ballymena on 25th September, 2000.

Members noted that the Department proposed to change the capitation formula for the allocation of revenue resources to the four Health and Social Services Boards by 2001.

2.3.4 Interim Report – Railways Task Force

In response to a query the Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported on the meeting held on 26th September, 2000 with members of the Railways Task Force and the Minister for Regional Development.

The Northern Corridor Railways Group would continue to lobby Government to secure funding for the retention and enhancement of the Londonderry/Belfast rail link.

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

3.0 TENDERS - SKIPS

The Director of Technical Services' Report on Tenders for Skips was considered (previously supplied).

Seven tenders had been received as follows:

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Tender Amount</u> £
1. Roe Engineering, Coleraine	8,400
2. A Farlow, Garvagh	8,798
3. T B F Thompson (Eng) Ltd., Garvagh ...	10,920
4. B B Engineering, Coleraine	11,100
5. Numac Waste Systems Ltd., Newry ...	11,400
6. Arcadian Manufacturing Ltd., Portrush ...	11,460
7. Top Frame Engineering, Castledawson	14,000

Agreed:

That the lowest tender from Roe Engineering, Coleraine, in the sum of £8,400, be accepted.

4.0 SPECIAL MEETINGS - COUNCIL/COMMITTEES

It was agreed that Special Meetings be held as follows:

Council

16th October, 2000 - 6 p.m. - Review of Capital Programme (Workshop);
25th October, 2000 - 7 p.m. – Appointment of Harbour Commissioners;

Policy and Development Committee

25th October, 2000 (immediately following Special Council Meeting) –
Tourism Development Strategy;

Leisure and Environment Committee

30th October, 2000 – 7.30 p.m. – Rugby Avenue lands.

It was further agreed that the following Special Meetings be held during November:

Council

Response to Acute Hospital Review;

Planning Committee

Review of consultative process.

5.0 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTS CONFERENCE

Reported that Councillor Mullan was unable to attend the Local Government Arts Council Conference to be held in Bangor, Co. Down on 28th and 29th September, 2000. No other member was available to attend.

Noted.

6.0 LOCAL POLICING INFORMATION

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised members that the contents of the Local Policing Information package would be considered at the Police Liaison Committee meeting to be held on 12th October, 2000.

Noted.

7.0 PLANNING SERVICE MANAGEMENT BOARD - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. C/99/0876/F BUSH FILLING STATION, BUSHMILLS ROAD, COLERAINE

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 concluded that the Department should not grant planning permission.

Noted.

8.0 HOUSE OF LORDS APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION - NOMINATIONS FOR NON-PARTY POLITICAL MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS

Read letter from the House of Lords Appointments Commission seeking nominations for non-party political members of the House of Lords.

Noted.

9.0 NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD

Tabled:

Minutes of the Northern Health and Social Services Board dated 15th June, 2000.

10.0 NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING COUNCIL

Tabled:

Minutes of the Northern Ireland Housing Council dated 8th June, 2000 and 10th August, 2000.

11.0 NORTHERN IRELAND CONSUMER COMMITTEE FOR ELECTRICITY

Tabled:

Northern Ireland Consumer Committee for Electricity -
Annual Report 1998/2000.

12.0 CAUSEWAY HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES TRUST

Tabled:

Causeway Health and Social Services Trust –
Annual Report 1999 – 2000.

13.0 NORTHERN IRELAND AMBULANCE SERVICE

Tabled:

Northern Ireland Ambulance Service – Annual
Report 1999/2000.

14.0 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

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| 1. <u>Grant of Easement and Counterpart</u> | Sewage connection to sewer at Anderson Park Playing Field, Coleraine;
Council –to- Dunnes Stores (Bangor) Ltd. |
| 2. <u>Application Form in triplicate - Charities Act (NI) 1964</u> | Land at Anderson Park, Coleraine;
Council –to- Roads Service. |
| 3. <u>Lease and Two Counterparts</u> | Land between Ballysally and Millburn Estates, Coleraine;
Council –to- The Woodland Trust. |
| 4. <u>Contract Agreement and Counterpart</u> | Craigahulliar Landfill Site, Portrush –
Cell 1 Capping Contract;
Council –with- F. P. McCann Ltd., Magherafelt. |
| 5. <u>Cemetery Titles</u> | Registration Numbers 2617 – 2647 inclusive
and 2610: |

Agherton 1
Ballywillan 12
Coleraine 13
Portstewart 6

Advanced Deeds:

Ballywillan 1

Coleraine 2
Portstewart 1

6. Car Loan Agreements

- (a) J. Allen – Environmental Health Officer;
- (b) G. Delargy – Environmental Health Officer.

SPECIAL MEETING

16th October, 2000.

Convened: To consider and approve a five year programme of capital development works (Draft Programme previously supplied)

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

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) (Items 1.0 – 1.3.7)	W. H. King W. J. McClure
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)	

Councillors

D. D. Barbour	G. L. McLaughlin
E. T. Black (Mrs.)	R. A. McPherson
R. S. Bolton	E. M. Mullan
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	(Items 1.0 – 1.3.5)
W. T. Creelman	E. O'Hara
J. J. Dallat	R. D. Stewart
(Items 1.1.1 – 1.3.6)	(Items 1.2 – 2.0)
N. F. Hillis	
(Items 1.2 – 2.0)	

Officers in Attendance:

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Leisure Services, Director of Technical Services, Director of Corporate Services and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Alderman Watt, Councillors Bradley, McClarty and Mathews

1.0 FIVE YEAR DRAFT CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2001 - 2006

Consideration was given to the Director of Corporate Services' Report (previously supplied) on Council's Draft Capital Programme for the five year period April 2001 – March 2006.

The programme when finalised would be used as the framework for capital planning, rates estimates and would form the basis of submissions for grant aid.

The Directors elaborated on costs and financial implications arising from the various projects.

1.1 Leisure and Tourism Projects

1.1.1 Waterworld – Piazza Members viewed a video on the operation of

<u>Area</u>	<p>an indoor bowling alley which could be installed at the Waterworld Piazza area.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Director of Leisure Services present a report on this topic to a future meeting of the Leisure and Environment Committee.</p>
1.1.2 <u>Dunluce Centre - Renewal of Attractions</u>	<p>Members noted that expressions of interest had been invited by the end of October 2000 for development of partnership arrangements regarding renewal of attractions at the Dunluce Centre.</p> <p>A meeting of the Dunluce Centre Sub-Committee would be arranged to consider the submissions received.</p>
1.1.3 <u>Coleraine Marina</u>	<p>Further consideration would be given to the facilities at Coleraine Marina following the opening of the new civic offices.</p> <p>Members noted that the development of a pedestrian walk from Coleraine Town Centre to the Marina was also being considered.</p>
1.2 <u>Technical and Environmental Projects</u>	
Matters arising:	
1.2.1 <u>Letterloan Refuse Site</u>	<p>It was agreed that consideration be given to the possible acquisition of the former refuse site subject to agreement on price.</p>
1.2.2 <u>Garvagh/Kilrea Toilet Provision</u>	<p>The Director of Technical Services would give further consideration to suitable sites and design proposals.</p>
1.2.3 <u>Arcadia Environment Scheme</u>	<p>Members noted that the availability of grant aid would affect whether this scheme could be carried out over one or two financial years.</p> <p>The officers were requested to investigate possible solutions to the detrimental environmental impact of the former Carrignata Clinic on the scheme.</p>
1.2.4 <u>Dunluce Castle</u>	<p>Members agreed that the Town Clerk and Chief Executive write to the Environment and Heritage Service requesting that they re-consider the issue of floodlighting at Dunluce Castle.</p>
1.2.5 <u>Funding/Phasing of Expenditure</u>	<p>It was unanimously agreed that funding be provided for the projects included in the report within the timescales set out.</p>

1.3	<u>Other Projects</u>	Consideration was given to other possible projects, as listed in the report, for inclusion in the draft capital expenditure programme.
	Matters arising:	
1.3.1	<u>Port-an-doo Harbour</u>	It was agreed to defer consideration until Water Service has finalised plans for the siting of a sewage pumping station at this location.
1.3.2	<u>Castlerock Pavilion</u>	It was agreed to include this scheme under the Leisure and Tourism projects in 2002/3.
1.3.3	<u>Changing Rooms - The Crescent, Coleraine</u>	It was agreed to include this scheme under the Leisure and Tourism projects in 2002/3.
1.3.4	<u>Portstewart Marina - Feasibility Study</u>	It was agreed that this project be not included in the capital expenditure programme at this time.
1.3.5	<u>Community Centre, Portballintrae</u>	It was agreed to defer consideration of this project until further information on need is defined.
1.3.6	<u>West Bann Development</u>	It was agreed that Council make funding provision for community group capital projects including the West Bann Development.
1.3.7	<u>Park – Laurel Hill</u>	It was noted that the development of a park at part of the Laurel Hill site would be a self-financing project, funded by residential development within the site.
1.3.8	<u>The Crescent, Portstewart</u>	Following discussion it was agreed that enhancement of the facilities at The Crescent, Portstewart be included under the Leisure and Tourism projects – minor works – 2001/2 and 2002/3.
1.3.9	<u>Station Square, Portrush</u>	Reference was made to the possibility of Council purchasing The Station Square area, Portrush. The Town Clerk and Chief Executive would continue to keep a watching brief on this matter.
1.3.10	<u>Additional Vehicular Bridge – Coleraine</u>	Reference was made to the need for a third vehicular bridge across the River Bann, Coleraine. It was agreed that this topic be raised with the Divisional Roads Manager at the October meeting of Council.
1.3.11	<u>Additional Indoor</u>	Reference was made to the need for additional

Facilities - Portstewart

indoor recreational facilities in Portstewart. It was noted that the enhanced Warren Pavilion would assist this requirement.

1.3.12 Additional Play Area, Ballysally

The Director of Leisure Services reported that he had met with Ballysally Community Association regarding the provision of a new play area at Ballysally.

A report would be provided for the November meeting of the Leisure and Environment Committee.

2.0 THANKS

The Mayor thanked the Town Clerk and Chief Executive and Directors for their presentation.

LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

3rd October, 2000.

Present: Councillor E. O'Hara, in the Chair
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

Aldermen

S. Alexander (Ms.)

W. J. McClure

W. J. Watt

C.

Councillors

E. T. Black (Mrs.)
(Items 1.0 – 6.6)
R. S. Bolton
J. M. Bradley
O. M. Church (Mrs.)
W. T. Creelman
J. J. Dallat
(Items 2.0 – 11.1.1)

N. F. Hillis
G. L. McLaughlin
R. A. McPherson
W. Mathews
R. D. Stewart

Officers in Attendance:

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Leisure Services, Director of Technical Services, Director of Environmental Health, Leisure Services Officer, Principal Building Control Officer (Items 1.0 – 6.6), Countryside Access Officer (Items 1.0 – 6.0), Environment Officer (Items 1.0 – 6.6), Section Manager – Grounds Maintenance (Item 1.0) and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: The Mayor, Aldermen Mrs. Armitage and King, Councillors Barbour, McClarty and Mullan

1.0 COLERAINE CEMETERY

The Chairman welcomed Messrs. A. Eakin and D. Parker who were in attendance to address Committee regarding the operation of the lawn system at Coleraine Cemetery.

Mr. Eakin re-emphasised the continuing objections to the lawn system and whilst acknowledging improvements made at the cemetery following the implementation of a package of measures approved by Council in April 1998, concerns remained regarding both the standard of maintenance and vandalism at the cemetery.

Mr. Parker also emphasised the need for a greater security presence at Coleraine Cemetery and re-stated his wish that purchasers of grave plots should have the choice of erecting a grave surround. A leaflet outlining services provided by Carlisle City Council was distributed to members.

The Director of Leisure Services elaborated on the implementation of the measures adopted by Council in April 1998. Council was reminded of the outcome of the investigation by the Commissioner of Complaints into a complaint lodged by Mr. M. Hunter. The Commissioner had found no evidence of maladministration by Council in the handling of this matter. It was proposed by Councillor McLaughlin and seconded by Alderman Ms. Alexander:

That Standing Orders be suspended to enable Mr. M. Hunter, who was present, to address Committee.

On being put to the meeting, the proposal was carried ten members voting in favour and none against.

Mr. Hunter elaborated on the scope of his previous complaints to the Commissioner for Complaints regarding the cemetery rules and operation of the lawn system.

Following a full discussion it was proposed by Alderman McClure, seconded by Councillor McLaughlin and agreed that a Special Meeting of Committee be held at Coleraine Cemetery to further examine the issues raised regarding the lawn system.

It was also agreed that this matter be considered by the Equality Working Group.

2.0 PORTRUSH TOWN HALL

Consideration was given to the Director of Leisure Services' Report (previously supplied) on Portrush Town Hall.

The Planning Appeals Commission had refused Council's application to demolish the premises. To progress this project various options were available to Council, as detailed in the report, viz:

- i Refurbishment of the Building – by Council
- ii Refurbishment and Extension – by Council
- iii Restoration by a Building Preservation Trust

A full discussion ensued on the various options during which the Town Clerk and Chief Executive and Director of Leisure Services answered various members' queries on this topic.

It was proposed by Councillor Mathews, seconded by Councillor Dallat and recommended:

That Council agree, in principle, to adopt option iii viz; restoration by The Hearth Revolving Fund; Hearth would be requested to make a presentation at the November meeting of Committee to explain the procedure in detail.

3.0 LEISURE SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

3.1 Ballyrashane Reservoir

Committee noted that enquiries had been received regarding leasing Ballyrashane Reservoir from Council to operate as a fishing facility.

Following discussion it was recommended that this facility be advertised as being available for leasing as a fishing facility.

3.2 Roundabouts

Consideration was given to sketch plans for the upgrading of the roundabouts at Burnside and Station Road, Portstewart and Ballysally and Windyhall, Coleraine.

Committee noted that sponsors had been identified for each roundabout.

Following discussion it was recommended that the upgrading proposals be accepted excluding the provision of windsocks.

The Director of Leisure Services would re-consider the proposed sculpture at Windyhall roundabout.

3.3 Dunhill Road/Drumcroone Road Junction, Coleraine

Reference was made to a recent fatal road traffic accident at this road junction.

It was agreed that the Town Clerk and Chief Executive write to the Divisional Roads Manager re-emphasising Council's request that a roundabout be provided at this location.

3.4 Rowing Boats – Portrush Harbour Reported that the licence to operate row boats in Portrush Harbour would expire later this year.

Following a full discussion on this topic it was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Alderman Watt and recommended:

That Council terminate the licence as at 31st December, 2000.

3.5 For Information

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

- (a) Coleraine Community and Arts Festival – 17th – 31st October, 2000
- (b) Coleraine Sports Awards Evening – 3rd November, 2000
- (c) Christmas Entertainment Programme

4.0 ULSTER'S WAY-marked

WAYS PROJECT

Consideration was given to the Countryside Access Officer's Report (previously supplied) on the Ulster Way-marked Ways Project.

The Chairman welcomed Ms. Fiona Regan, Project Officer, from the Countryside Access and Activities Network (CAAN).

Committee noted that CAAN intended to develop a series of "Way-marked Ways" (long distance routes, approximately 20 miles in length to effectively replace the Ulster Way) throughout the Province. The Port Path (connecting Portrush and Portstewart) and the Causeway Coast Path had been selected to form one continuous route along the North Coast.

Ms. Regan elaborated on the status of Way-marked Ways and CAAN's future plans.

Council is recommended to support this project.

The Chairman thanked Ms. Regan for her informative presentation after which she withdrew.

5.0 OLYMPIC GAMES - SYDNEY 2000

Congratulations were extended to the Great Britain and Northern Ireland team on their recent medal achievements at the Olympic Games in Sydney. Sonia O'Sullivan was also congratulated on winning a silver medal for Ireland.

6.0 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

6.1 Department of Development – Roads Service

6.1.1 Disabled Parking Bay - Kilrea

Roads Service proposed to provide a disabled parking bay on the east side of The Diamond, Kilrea to assist disabled motorists using the adjacent Post Office.

Council is recommended to support the proposal.

6.1.2 Stopping Up – Glenbush Drive, Portrush

approximately 10 metres south of the junction with Glenshesk Park. The Department proposed to stop up Glenbush Drive, Portrush to vehicular traffic at a line through the development was available via Glenariff Road and Glenshesk Park, Portrush. The stopping up

was to reduce speeding traffic in that part of the estate.

Recommended:

That Council agree.

6.1.3 Traffic Control-
Housing Estates

criteria for controlling vehicular traffic within housing estates.

6.2 Atlantic Circle, Portstewart

The Director of Technical Services would request Roads Service to submit information on their

Council had purchased a 3m wide strip of ground at Atlantic Circle, Portstewart to maintain the Port Path along the coast.

Provision had been allowed in the current year's capital programme to construct a footway along this section. Extensive development was currently being carried out to properties at Atlantic Circle and the developers were planning a car park/landscaping scheme at this location.

It was proposed to co-ordinate Council's scheme with that of the private developers as detailed in the report.

Council is recommended to proceed with the provision of the footpath subject to the prices being sought by the developers being considered reasonable. The estimated cost to Council would be circa £18,500.

6.3 Street Trading Licences

Licences had been received from:

Applications for the grant of Street Trading

1. Robert Shannon, 27 Carnany Drive, Ballymoney
2. Olive Burns, 132 Glen Road, Maghera
3. Mr. and Mrs. S. Stewart, 44 Margaret Avenue, Ballymoney
4. Kim Sheppard & Linda Smith, 887 Clarehill Park, Aghadowey
5. Aidan McCann, 32 Wheatfield Gardens, Coleraine

Recommended:

That a Street Trading Licence be granted in each case.

6.4 Building Control

6.4.1 Approvals

Approval had been given for forty-nine applications.

6.5 For Information

The Director of Technical Services provided

information in his report on the following:

6.6 Environment Officer -
Mr. J. Allen
address Committee on his work.

Amendments to the Transfrontier Shipment of Waste Regulations 1994.

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Jim Allen, Environment Officer, who was in attendance to

Mr. Allen elaborated on the ongoing community education programme (paper circulated) which he had responsibility for delivering, based on three main objectives viz:

1. Abate litter through education and enforcement;
2. Promote recycling and provision of such facilities;
3. Raise environmental consciousness.

A varied discussion ensued during which Mr. Allen answered various members' questions.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Allen for his interesting and informative presentation.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT

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

Matters arising:

7.1 Legal Proceedings – Public
Health Acts 1878 – 1967

It was proposed by Councillor McPherson, seconded by Alderman Watt and agreed that this item be considered "In Committee" at the end of the meeting.

7.2 Health Action Zones -
Ballysally Estate, Coleraine
of the Ballysally Estate, Coleraine as a Health Action Zone.

Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, regarding the designation

Council is recommended to agree to participate in the Health Action Zone proposal.

7.3 Folic Acid and the Prevention
of Disease

Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, on a consultation paper issued by the U.K. Health Department and the Food Standards Agency.

The paper sought the views of Council on recommendations arising from the Report of the Committee on Medical Aspects of Food and Nutrition Policy on Folic Acid and the Prevention of Disease.

Following discussion it was recommended that Council oppose the fortification of all wheat flour and by-products with folic acid on the basis that alternative sources existed.

7.4 Proposed European Directive Relating to the Assessment and Management of Environmental Noise

Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, on a consultation paper issued by the Department of Environment, Transport and Regions (DETR).

Council's views were sought on the European Commission proposal for new legislation on the assessment and management of environmental noise from transport and industry.

Following discussion it was recommended that Council await further information on the implementation of the directive before committing any financial resources to this topic.

8.0 NORTHERN IRELAND MUSEUMS COUNCIL

Tabled:

Annual Report and Financial Statements 1999 – 2000.

9.0 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Tabled:

Strategy for reducing alcohol related harm.

10.0 CONSTRUCTION SERVICE

Tabled:

Annual Report and Financial Statements 1999/2000.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

10th October, 2000.

Present: Councillor R. S. Bolton in the Chair

The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)
(Items 1.0 – 3.22)

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)
(Items 1.0 – 3.28)

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
(Items 1.0 – 3.26)
W. H. King

W. J. McClure
W. J. Watt

Councillors

D. D. Barbour
E. T. Black (Mrs.)
J. M. Bradley
W. T. Creelman
(Items 1.0 – 3.18)
J. J. Dallat
N. F. Hillis

D. McClarty
R. A. McPherson
W. Mathews
E. M. Mullan
E. O'Hara
R. D. Stewart

Also in

Attendance: Representatives from the Planning Service –
Mr. G. Scott and Miss H. Clements

Officers in

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

Apologies: Alderman Mrs. Armitage, Councillors Mrs. Church and
McLaughlin

1.0 ILLNESS

The Vice Chairman extended best wishes to Councillor McLaughlin's wife for a speedy recovery from her recent illness.

2.0 CONSULTATION PROCESS

Reference was made to the present consultation process regarding planning applications.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised members that concerns could be addressed at the special meeting of Committee to be held in November.

3.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A list of eighty applications was considered (previously supplied).

Applications Deferred from
Previous Meeting

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| 3.1 | <u>Application No. D1</u>
<u>C/2000/0355/F</u>
<u>Erection of one-and-a-half storey dwelling (replacement) with integral garage at 73 Ballymacrea Road, Portrush for D. McClarty</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

Reported that satisfactory amended plans had been received and the application would be approved. |
| 3.2 | <u>Application No. D2</u>
<u>C/2000/0456/O</u>
<u>Site for replacement dwelling at 15 Mayoghill Road, Garvagh, Coleraine for Mr. J. Stewart</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

The application had now been withdrawn. |
| 3.3 | <u>Application No. D3</u>
<u>C/2000/0474/O</u>
<u>Site for bungalow at 51 Belraugh Road, Freugh Td., Garvagh for Mrs. N. Bryson</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Mullan and seconded by Councillor Dallat:

That the application be approved.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, thirteen members voting in favour and no one voting against. |
| 3.4 | <u>Application No. D4</u>
<u>C/2000/0489/O</u>
<u>Site for erection of farm retirement dwelling at Camus Lane, (Camus Td.), Coleraine for Mr. W. J. Moore</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be approved subject to a condition relating to agricultural occupancy. |
| 3.5 | <u>Application No. D5</u>
<u>C/2000/0501/O</u>
<u>Site for dwelling at site adjacent to No. 10 Magheramore Road, Garvagh for Mr. J. Linton</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be approved subject to conditions relating to siting, size and retention of existing planting. |
| 3.6 | <u>Application No. D6</u>
<u>C/2000/0538/F</u>
<u>Erection of one block of 2 no.</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse. |

- townhouses and one block of 4 no. apartments at Sites 4 and 5 Meadowlands, Portstewart for Mr. B. Kearney
- It was agreed that the application be refused.
- 3.7 Application No. D7
C/2000/0540/F
Conversion of ex-dwelling into 2 no. apartments with extension to same at 9 Millbank Avenue, Portstewart for Mr. S. Forde
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be refused.
- 3.8 Application No. D8
C/2000/0553/O
Site for dwelling on land off Kurin Road, Garvagh for Mr. J. McNicholl
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be refused.
- 3.9 Application No. D9
C/2000/0576/F
Proposed dwelling and detached garage at Liswatty Upper Td., Liswatty Road, Coleraine (adjacent to No. 14) for Mr. B. McGill
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be refused.
- 3.10 Application No. D10
C/2000/0581/O
Site of dwelling and garage at 310m (approx.) north of 61 Cullyrammer Road, Garvagh for Mr. J. Taylor
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved subject to conditions relating to size and that the building be single storey.
- 3.11 Application No. D11
C/2000/0607/O
Site for dwelling adjacent to 15 Ballygawley Road, Aghadowey, Coleraine for Mr. and Mrs. E. Millsopp
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved subject to conditions relating to siting and design.
- 3.12 Application No. D12
C/2000/0627/O
Site for new dwelling adjacent to 28 Blackrock Road, Kilrea for Mr. O. Shiels
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be refused.
- 3.13 Application No. D13
C/2000/0633/O
Proposed dwelling house with detached garage at 60m north of 46 Glebe Road, Castlerock for Mr. W. Holmes
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse both applications.
- Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman Watt and seconded by Alderman King:
- Application No. D14
C/2000/0634/O
- That the applications be deferred for two weeks to

Proposed dwelling house with detached garage at 140m north of 46 Glebe Road, Castlerock for Mr. W. Holmes

enable the applicant to withdraw them.

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

3.14 Application No. D15
C/2000/0652/A
Display of illuminated projecting sign at Market Court, 61 New Row, Coleraine for Mr. D. Cochrane

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

Following discussion it was agreed that the application be deferred for two weeks to facilitate further discussions with the applicant. If agreement could be reached the application would be approved otherwise the application would be refused.

3.15 Application No. D16
C/2000/0654/O
Site of dwelling and garage at Gortmacrane Road, Kilrea for Mr. N. McAllister

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by Councillor Mullan and unanimously agreed:

That the application be approved.

New Applications

3.16 Application No. 6
C/2000/0109/F
Demolition of 5 no. houses in the terrace and rebuild to provide 12 no. apartments. Erection of 18 no. new apartments in a three-storey block at lower level nearer the river at Nos. 13, 15, 17, 19 and 21 Ardbanna Terrace, Mountsandel Road, Coleraine for O'Kane & Devine Construction Ltd.

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

Following discussion it was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate the submission of requisite plans for consideration.

3.17 Application No. 7
C/2000/0263/F
Erection of 14 no. apartments (three-storey) on lands between Blackstone Cottage and 58 Main Street (opposite former Swimming Pool complex), Castlerock for Northern Builders

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive read correspondence from Simmons Meglauglin & Orr, Solicitors, Dungannon on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. M. Shaw, the owners of Blackstone Cottage, Castlerock who were objecting to the proposed development.

Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman Ms. Alexander and seconded by Councillor Bradley:

3.18

Application No. 10
C/2000/0506/F

Provision of car park with access from The Promenade at The Golf Hotel, Main Street, Castlerock for The Golf Hotel

That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.

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

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was proposed by Alderman Ms. Alexander and seconded by Councillor Mathews:

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

As an amendment it was proposed by Alderman Watt and seconded by Alderman King:

That the application be approved.

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

3.19

Application No. 12
C/2000/0532/F

Proposed 62 no. bedroom hotel with ancillary areas and redevelopment of existing public bar adjacent to Londonderry Hotel in order to provide new public house/lounge bar at Londonderry Hotel, 39 – 41 Main Street, Portrush (at junction with No. 2 Atlantic Avenue) for Andras House Ltd.

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be approved subject to agreement regarding environmental health concerns.

3.20

Application No. 13
C/2000/0541/F

Erection of single storey dwelling at rear of 92, A, B, C, 94 and 96 Strand Road, Portstewart for N.M. Developments

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be approved subject to conditions attached to a previous application for the site which included the wall along the coastal walk to be finished with stone.

- 3.21 Application No. 14
C/2000/0544/F
Creation of weir on Lodge Burn,
new junior and toddler play area,
new path network and stepped
accesses, tree and shrub planting,
provision of new street furniture and
perimeter wall at Anderson Park,
Circular Road, Coleraine for
Coleraine Borough Council
- 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.
- 3.22 Application No. 24
C/2000/0619/F
Construction of 28 no. apartments
and associated car-parking at
46-50 Mark Street, Portrush for
Hughes McMichael
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was proposed by Alderman Ms. Alexander, seconded by Councillor Stewart and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month in order that members could see the plans.
- 3.23 Application No. 32
C/2000/0663/O
Proposed re-development of Nos.
51 and 53 Dhu Varren, Portrush to
provide 14 no. apartments at 51
and 53 Dhu Varren, Portrush for
P.K. Property Dev. N.I. Ltd.
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman King and seconded by Alderman Watt:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.
- On being put to the Meeting the proposal failed to carry, three members voting in favour and nine members voting against.
- 3.24 Application No. 38
C/2000/0673/O
Dwelling adjacent to 14 Moneysallin
Road, Kilrea for Mr. S. O'Neill
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by Councillor Mullan and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
- 3.25 Application No. 42
C/2000/0679/O
Site for dwelling at Coolnasillagh
Road, Garvagh for Mr. D. Doherty
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Mullan,

seconded by Councillor Dallat and agreed:

That the application be deferred for one week to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.

3.26 Application No. 43
C/2000/0681/O
Site for dwelling on land west of
Bratwell Road, Castlerock for
Rev. J. McCaughan

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.

3.27 Application No. 53
C/2000/0698/F
Proposed development to provide 1
no. block containing 1 no. two-
storey house and 2 no. apartments
at Site 26 Inishowen Park,
Portstewart for M & A Builders

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

No further representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.

It was proposed by Alderman Watt, seconded by Councillor McClarty and agreed:

That the application be deferred for two weeks to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.

3.28 Application No. 64
C/2000/0721/O
Site for dwelling at Ballyhome
Road, Bushmills for
Mr. S. A. Cochrane

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was proposed by Alderman Watt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Black and agreed:

That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.

3.29 General Matters

(a) Housing development off Fermoy Drive and Rathbeg Avenue, Ballycairn, Coleraine.

4.0 PLANNING APPLICATION C/00/01293/F
NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE
CHANGE OF USE FROM AMENITY AREA TO
2 NO. TEMPORARY DECANT SITES

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

The Northern Ireland Housing Executive had now indicated to Planning Service that it was prepared to amend it's proposals as follows:

- (a) All furniture would be stored off the sites;
- (b) Five caravans would be located on each of the greens at Beech Avenue and Laburnum Place;
- (c) A small store would be provided at each caravan for individual washing machines.

The amended proposal would be advertised in the local press for public comment and neighbours re-notified.

The Management Board would welcome the views of Council on the amended proposals.

It was agreed that Council make no further specific comment on the application but would wish to see a resolution to this matter as soon as possible.

COMMUNITY/POLICE FORUM

12th October, 2000.

Present: Councillor R. A. McPherson, in the Chair
The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

Alderman

P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)

Councillors

D. D. Barbour	D. McClarty
E. T. Black (Mrs.)	(Item 1.0)
R. S. Bolton	W. Mathews
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	E. O'Hara
N. F. Hillis	R. D. Stewart

Representatives from Other Bodies:

Mr. L. Gibson – West Bann Development Group
Mrs. R. Morrison – Soroptimist International of Coleraine
Mr. M. Lindsay – Kilrea Town Hall
Mr. O. Houmann – Peter Thompson Hall Management Committee
Mrs. J. McKinley – Killowen Mothers' Union
Mrs. R. McCay – Killowen Mothers' Union
Miss C. Mastris - Coleraine Chronicle
Mr. K. White – Coleraine Times
Mr. W. D. Archibald – Portstewart Community Forum
Ms. Mary Gibson – Kilrea Forum
Ms. S. Stewart – Compass Advocacy Group
Ms. V. Shorter – Compass Advocacy Group
Dr. J. M. Jones – Coleraine and District Road Safety Committee
Mr. R. McCartney – Ballyness Park Residents
Mr. S. Arbuthnot – Garvagh and District Development Association
Mrs. E. Ham – Ballysally Community Association
Mr. M. Hunter – Coleraine Community Forum
Mrs. I. Leacock – Coleraine Standing Conference of Women's
Organisations
Mr. J. Moulden – Portrush/Portstewart Road Safety
Mr. W. Stewart – Coleraine Youth Office

Representative from R.U.C.:

Superintendent A. D. Cousley

Officers in Attendance:

Town Clerk and Chief Executive and Administrative
Assistant

Apologies:

Aldermen Ms. Alexander and Watt

Councillors Bradley and McLaughlin
Mr. J. F. Murphy - Dominican College
Mr. R. S. Forsythe – Coleraine Academical Institution
Mr. E. Brolly – Portrush Regeneration Trust
Mr. J. Frizzell – North Coast College
Mr. D. Grainger – Coleraine Boys’ Secondary School
Mr. P. McGowan – St. Joseph’s High School
Mrs. J. Seaton – Ballysally Community Centre
Mrs. A. Kelly – Ballysally Community Centre
Mrs. E. Dunbar – Triangle Women’s Housing Association Ltd.
Mrs. D. Hutchieson – Coleraine High School
Mrs. S. Scott – Town Centre Manager
Mr. T. McGonigle – Community Development Officer
Ms. W. Madden – Portrush Community Forum
Miss E. Bell – Portballintrae Residents’ Association
Mr. B. Lenahan – Loreto College
Mrs. P. Halley – Welfare Officer, North East Board
Ms. J. Baird - N.I. Housing Executive
Fr. B. Mullan – Portstewart Community Forum
Ms. A. Watson – Coleraine Women’s Aid

1.0 PRESENTATION - R.U.C. DOG SECTION

The Chairman welcomed Constable P. Martin who was in attendance to address the Forum on the work of the R.U.C. Dog Section.

Constable Martin elaborated on the role and remit of the R.U.C. Dog Section in combatting crime and assisting with crowd control at sporting venues.

A varied discussion ensued on this topic during which Constable Martin answered various questions.

The Chairman thanked Constable Martin for his informative address.

2.0 CRIME REPORT

Superintendent Cousley reported on statistics regarding drug seizures, crime and traffic accidents in the area.

Members congratulated Superintendent Cousley on the success achieved in these areas.

Superintendent Cousley answered various questions on these statistics.

3.0 NORTH WEST ‘200’ SUB-COMMITTEE - 2001

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that it was now appropriate to consider the appointment of the North West ‘200’ Sub-Committee for 2001.

It was recommended that the 2001 Sub-Committee be appointed as follows:

The Deputy Mayor
Aldermen Ms. Alexander and Mrs. Armitage
Councillors Hillis and Stewart together with
The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Police

Liaison Committee – Councillors McPherson and Mrs. Church.

4.0 GENERAL MATTERS

The following matters were raised:

- 4.1 Burglaries;
- 4.2 General crime;
- 4.3 Crime – The Heights, Coleraine;
- 4.4 Traffic System – Coleraine;
- 4.5 Junction – Garvagh Road/Limavady Road;
- 4.6 Roundabouts – layout/proper use;
- 4.7 Traffic speeding – Garvagh;
- 4.8 Fog Lamps;
- 4.9 Underage drinking;
- 4.10 Fireworks;
- 4.11 Additional foot patrols.

5.0 CONGRATULATIONS

Members congratulated the R.U.C. on achieving the performance target indicator in relation to public confidence as detailed in the Report on Police Performance in Northern Ireland 1999/2000.

POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

17th October, 2000.

Present:

Councillor D. D. Barbour, in the Chair

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

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
(Items 2.2 – 9.1)

P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)
(Items 1.0 – 5.6)

W. H. King
W. J. McClure

Councillors

R. S. Bolton
O. M. Church (Mrs.)
W. T. Creelman
J. J. Dallat
(Items 2.2 – 10.0)

N. F. Hillis
G. L. McLaughlin
R. A. McPherson
R. D. Stewart

Officers in

Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services, Head of Development Services (Items 1.0 – 5.6), Tourism and Marketing Officer (Items 1.0 – 5.6), Marketing Executive

(Items 1.0 – 5.6), Finance Officer (Items 1.0 – 3.0), Personnel Officer (Items 1.0 – 5.6), Policy Development Officer, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies:

The Mayor, Alderman Watt, Councillors Mrs. Black, Bradley, McClarty, Mathews, Mullan and O'Hara

1.0 CAUSEWAY AREA PEACE NETWORK

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that the representative from Causeway Area Peace Network was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Arrangements would be made for a presentation to a future meeting of Committee.

2.0 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

2.1 Checking of Accounts

It was agreed that the Deputy Mayor and Alderman King examine the payments vouchers for the next three month period.

2.2 Consultation Paper – Review of Members’ Allowances
supplied) on proposals for the amendment of the current system of Councillors’ Allowances.

Consideration was given to the Department of the Environment’s consultation paper (previously

The National Association of Councillors had issued an official response (copy previously supplied) to the Department on this topic. Council was asked to support this response.

Following a full discussion it was proposed by Councillor Hillis and seconded by Councillor Stewart:

That Council lend its support to the National Association of Councillors’ response.

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

2.3 Consultation Paper – Review of General Grant

Consideration was given to the Department of the Environment’s consultation paper (previously supplied) on proposals for a new formula for distribution of the resources element of general exchequer grant.

Following discussion it was recommended that the following response should be made to the Department:

- (a) Express concern that the revised proposals would still not enable Council to receive any resources element grant;
- (b) Factors such as student population, day visitors and the diversity of social deprivation within the Borough should be taken into account.

2.4 Northern Ireland Hospice - Coleraine Support Group

Recommended:

That Council contribute £5,000 to the Northern Ireland Hospice – Coleraine Support Group for 2000/01.

2.5 Revision of Charges - Caravan Parks
Council’s Caravan Parks for the 2001 season.

Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, on revision of charges at

Recommended:

That the following revised charges apply for the 2001 season:

	<u>Vans up to 30 Feet</u>	<u>Vans Over 30 Feet</u>
	£	£
Site Fee	665.00	780.00
VAT	116.37	136.50
Rates	<u>81.63</u>	<u>93.50</u>
	863.00	1010.00
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(b) Touring Caravans

No increase in these charges was recommended.

The nightly charges would remain as follows:

£12 per night (£11 for sites without electricity) and £15 per night during the week of the North West '200'.

2.6 Accounts

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

Revenue A/C - £1,331,933.07
Capital A/C - £793,503.07

Personnel

2.7 Appeal Panel

It was agreed that Aldermen Ms. Alexander and McClure and Councillor McLaughlin be appointed to a panel to hear an appeal against dismissal.

2.8 New Appointments

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

Chief Executive's Department

Part-Time Tourist Information Assistant (Replacement) – Mrs. W. E. Bucukoglu

Leisure Services Department

Centre Attendant (Replacement) – Mr. D. W. Simpson

2.9 For Information

The Director of Corporate Services included

information in his report on the following:

Christmas Holidays 2000

3.0 PRINCIPAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Members welcomed Mr. Miller on his return to work following illness.

Mr. Miller thanked members for their kind wishes during his absence.

4.0 CAUSEWAY EPILEPSY SUPPORT GROUP

The Chairman welcomed Mr. D. Gilmour and Ms. J. Wray from the Causeway Epilepsy Support Group who were in attendance to address Committee.

Mr. Gilmour outlined the role and remit of the Support Group. Council was asked to support the Group in their aim to achieve specific services for people with epilepsy. Initially the Group wished the Causeway Trust to appoint an Epilepsy Link Nurse.

Discussion ensued on this topic during which the representatives answered members' questions.

Council is recommended to write to the Causeway Trust supporting the case for the appointment of a Link Nurse.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Gilmour and Ms. Wray for attending after which they withdrew.

5.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

5.1 CORE Network – Progress Report Committee noted information, as detailed in the report, regarding specific benefits to companies in the Borough as a result of the work of the CORE Network.

5.2 Bio-Northern Ireland Conference – 1st – 3rd October, 2000 Committee noted information, as detailed in the report, regarding the recent Bio-Northern Ireland Conference.

Members congratulated the officers on the success of the event.

5.3 Corporate Marketing The Tourism and Marketing Officer and Marketing Executive gave a presentation on the progress of corporate marketing activities together with an update on media relations, press and PR activity (report circulated).

Members thanked and congratulated the officers for their informative presentation and the progress achieved in Year 1.

5.4 Causeway Initiative – Pilot Sustainable Tourism Support Scheme

Committee noted information, as detailed in the report, on the Causeway Initiative – Pilot Sustainable Tourism Support Scheme.

5.5 Tourism Figures 1999
detailed in the report, on the Northern Ireland

Consideration was given to information, as Tourist Board's Local Authority Tourism Estimates for 1999 and the contents noted.

5.6 Northern Ireland Farming Industry

Committee regarding Council's participation in a joint delegation to lobby the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development regarding the plight of the Province's farming industry.

6.0 RAILWAYS TASK FORCE - INTERIM REPORT

Consideration was given to the Interim Report of the Railways Task Force (previously supplied).

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported on the announcement regarding funding for railways in the Northern Ireland budget for 2001/2002.

Committee congratulated the Town Clerk and Chief Executive for his work regarding the Northern Corridor Railways Group.

It was agreed that the Group should continue to lobby for the enhancement of the Belfast/Londonderry rail-link.

7.0 NOMINATIONS FOR INDEPENDENT MEMBERS OF THE POLICING BOARD

Consideration was given to correspondence from the Northern Ireland Office and Pricewaterhouse Coopers (previously supplied) inviting Council to nominate persons for consideration for appointment as independent members of the new Policing Board.

Recommended:

That Councillor McPherson be nominated for appointment to the Policing Board.

8.0 REMEMBRANCE DAY ARRANGEMENTS - SUNDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 2000

It was noted that the main body of Council would attend at Kilrea.

Recommended:

That the following members represent Council at the undernoted Remembrance Day Ceremonies:

Aghadowey	-	Alderman Watt
Castlerock	-	Alderman King
Coleraine	-	The Deputy Mayor
Garvagh	-	Councillor Mrs. Church
Portrush	-	Councillor Hillis
Portstewart	-	Councillor Creelman

9.0 LAND AND PROPERTY

9.1 Coleraine Hospital and Grounds
initiated regarding lands at Coleraine Hospital.

Reported that the Valuation and Lands Agency had advised that disposal procedures had been

Council was requested to indicate whether it was interested in purchasing these lands.

Following discussion it was recommended that Council write to the Causeway Trust seeking clarification of the extent of the lands being offered for sale.

9.2 Cloonavin, 41 Portstewart Road, Coleraine

Reported that Cloonavin had been sold by public auction on 6th October, 2000 for £1.525 million with a completion date of 26th January, 2001.

The purchaser was Mr. Seymour H. Sweeney, Seaport Lodge, Portballintrae.

Noted.

10.0 STAFF RESOURCES

Consideration was given to the Town Clerk and Chief Executive's Report (previously supplied) on staff resources.

A review of short and medium term staff requirements had been carried out within the five Council departments. This review had been prompted, not only by the clear need to allocate more resources to meet statutory and prescriptive demands, but also by the continuing desire to be more proactive in the overall promotion and development of the Borough.

The proposed posts had been categorised as follows:

- Category I - needed urgently/recruitment should commence immediately
- Category II - recruitment should be carried out during the 2001/2002 year as appropriate

The overall requirements were as follows:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Category I</u>	<u>Category II</u>
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Technical Services	Administrative Officer	Enforcement Officer
Technical Services	Environment Officer	
Leisure Services	Clerical Officer	
Corporate Services	Clerical Officer	Accounts Officer
Environmental Health	Clerical Officer	
Town Clerk/Chief Executive	Community Project Officer Administrative Officer Administrative Assistant Clerical Officer	
General		Four annual placements
<u>Estimated Annual Cost</u>	£120,000	£80,000

Following discussion it was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Church and recommended:

That Council approve these appointments.

11.0 POLICE AUTHORITY FOR NORTHERN IRELAND - SURVEY OF LOCAL COUNCILS

Members were requested to complete, on an individual basis, a questionnaire (previously supplied) issued by the Police Authority regarding policing priorities in their area.

Noted.

12.0 TV LICENSING - NORTHERN IRELAND

Read letter from the Head of TV Licensing Northern Ireland advising Council of the next phase of activity in the Province aimed at eliminating TV licence evasion. This would involve increased use of their fleet of detector vans and establishment of working partnerships with interested groups.

Noted.

3.0 ANNUAL BUILDING CONTROL CONVENTION - 16TH - 17TH NOVEMBER, 2000

Reported that the Annual Building Control Convention would be held this year in the Canal Court Hotel, Newry – 16th – 17th November, 2000.

Recommended:

That the Mayor, Councillor Mullan and the Principal Building Control Officer attend the Convention.

14.0 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Tabled:

Main Report on the Effects of the Selective System of Secondary Education in Northern Ireland.

15.0 NORTHERN IRELAND FIRE BRIGADE

Tabled:

Quality Services Performance Plan 2000 – 2001.

16.0 GOVERNMENT PURCHASING AGENCY

Tabled:

- (a) Corporate and Business Plans 2000/2003
- (b) Annual Report and Accounts 1999 – 2000

17.0 DATES FOR MEMBERS

Members were asked to note the dates for the following events:

- Christmas Dinner - 18th December, 2000 – Bohill Hotel
- Mayoral Receptions - 20th/21st December, 2000
- Freedom Ceremony - 3rd February, 2001

18.0 SINGLE STATUS - BONUS SCHEMES

Reference was made to the continued operation of bonus schemes for certain groups of employees.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that discussions were ongoing on this topic with the Trade Unions.

19.0 THE DEPUTY MAYOR

Congratulations were extended to the Deputy Mayor regarding her involvement at the recent event at AVX, Coleraine.