

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of Coleraine Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on TUESDAY the 26th day of October, 2004 at **7.00 p.m.**

H. W. T. MOORE,
Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

Cloonavin,
66 Portstewart Road,
COLERAINE.

A G E N D A

1. Minutes (enclosed):
 - 1.1 Council Meeting – 28th September, 2004
 - 1.2 Special Meeting - 30th September, 2004
 - 1.3 Special Meeting - 6th October, 2004 - “In Committee”
 - 1.4 Special Meeting - 11th October, 2004
 - 1.4.1 Reform of Domestic Rating System in Northern Ireland (Draft Response enclosed)
2. Committee Reports (enclosed):
 - 2.1 Leisure and Environment Committee – 5th October, 2004
 - 2.2 Planning Committee – 12th October, 2004
 - 2.2.1 The undernoted Notice of Motion is referred to Council by the Planning Committee:

“That the Planning Committee rescind its decision of 14th September, 2004 in respect of planning application C/2003/1357/F. We call upon the Planning Committee to support the Planning Department’s recommendation to refuse this application in respect of the unacceptable density proposed in the application.”

Both the applicant and objector will be in attendance to speak on the planning application.

2.3 Policy and Development Committee – 19th October, 2004

2.3.1 Northern Area Plan - Postponement of Publication (Report previously supplied)

3. Post Primary Education Review

Mr. G. Topping, Chief Executive, North Eastern Education and Library Board will be in attendance to address Council.

4. Tenders

- (a) Antrim Gardens, Portrush
- (b) Extension to Kilrea Town Hall (Report enclosed)

5. Consultation List (enclosed)

6. Correspondence

7. Documents for Sealing

Enclosed for Information:

Minutes of the Northern Health and Social Services Council dated 1st September, 2004

To: Each Member of Council.

22nd October, 2004.

COLERAINE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of proceedings of Coleraine Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on Tuesday, 28th September, 2004 at 7.30 p.m.

Convened: As per notice attached

Present: The Mayor, Councillor R. A. McPherson, in the Chair

The Deputy Mayor, Alderman W. J. McClure

Aldermen

P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)

W. T. Creelman

E. T. Black (Mrs.)

B. Leonard

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)

D. McClarty

(Items 1.0 - 6.0)

G. L. McLaughlin

O. M. Church (Mrs.)

A. McQuillan

J. J. Dallat

E. M. Mullan

E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)

R. D. Stewart

N. F. Hillis

W. J. Watt

E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)

Officers in

Attendance:

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

Apologies:

Councillors Barbour, Bradley, Deans and King

1.0 WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed members and those present in the public gallery to the meeting.

2.0 SYMPATHY

The Mayor extended sympathy to Alderman McClure on the recent death of his brother.

Alderman McClure thanked the Mayor and fellow members for their kind remarks.

3.0 SHOOTING INCIDENT

The Mayor and members condemned a shooting incident that had occurred at Harpur's Hill, Coleraine the previous evening. The public was encouraged to pass any information to the PSNI.

4.0 MINUTES

The minutes of the Council Meeting of 24th August, 2004 were confirmed and agreed.

5.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Planning Committee - 24th August, 2004

The Vice Chairman, Councillor Stewart, moved the adoption of the Planning Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Dallat.

Matters arising:

5.1.1 Members' Training

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive confirmed that he was currently considering appropriate training for members as Committee Chairmen/ Vice Chairmen, etc.

The Committee Report was then adopted.

5.2 Leisure and Environment Committee

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

Matters arising:

5.2.1 Best Kept Day Care/ Residential Homes

Reference was made to the success of Armour Day Centre (winner) and Mountfield (runner-up), Coleraine in the Best Kept Day Care/Residential Homes Competition.

It was agreed that letters of congratulations be forwarded.

5.2.2 Fountain - Anderson Park, Coleraine

Reference was made to the current non-operation of the fountain at Anderson Park, Coleraine.

The Director of Leisure Services was liaising with the various agencies regarding this matter.

5.2.3 Anderson Park, Coleraine - Phase III

Congratulations were extended regarding the successful completion of Anderson Park Phase III.

The Committee Report was then adopted.

5.3 Planning Committee - 14th September, 2004

The Vice Chairman, Councillor Stewart, moved the adoption of the Planning Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Dallat.

Matters arising:

5.3.1 Application No. C/2003/1357/F

Reference was made to Committee's decision declining to support the Planning Service's opinion to refuse this application.

A full discussion ensued during which the Mayor advised that Committee's decision could not be

altered at this meeting.

A rescinding motion could be considered at a future meeting of Committee.

5.3.2 Application No. C/2003/1366/F

Reference was made to possible encroachment onto Council land.

The Director of Technical Services would investigate this matter.

5.3.3 Referrals to Planning Management Board and General Level of Service - Coleraine Divisional Planning Office

Reference was made to the minute of the meeting with representatives from the Planning Service and the lack of detail provided regarding issues raised.

Following discussion it was agreed to give the local Planning Office a period of time to address the issues identified by Council.

5.3.4 Planning Matter - Portstewart

Alderman Mrs. Armitage sought information regarding a planning matter in Portstewart.

It was agreed if full details were supplied to the Town Clerk and Chief Executive, a response would be sought from the Planning Service.

The Committee Report was then adopted.

5.4 Policy and Development Committee

Councillor Ms. Alexander moved the adoption of the Policy and Development Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Stewart.

Matters arising:

5.4.1 Local Democracy Week - 18th - 24th October, 2004

Members were encouraged to attend the Open Day in the Council Chamber for Sixth Form politics students on 19th October, 2004.

Reference was made to the need to progress the establishment of a Youth Council.

5.4.2 Special Council Meetings

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that Special Council Meetings would be held as follows:

- (a) Monday, 11th October, 2004 - Consultation Paper - "Reform of the Domestic Rating System in Northern Ireland"
- (b) Thursday, 28th October, 2004 - To discuss issues contained within the Minister's Statement regarding "Water Reform Northern Ireland - Domestic Water Charges"

The Committee Report was then adopted.

6.0 PORTBALLINTRAE REGENERATION PROPOSALS

The Mayor welcomed Mrs. J. Rankin and Mr. G. Montgomery and other representatives of Portballintrae Residents' Association who were in attendance to address Council regarding Portballintrae Regeneration Proposals (paper circulated) - Portballintrae Regeneration Phase One.

Mrs. Rankin and Mr. Montgomery elaborated on the Portballintrae Regeneration Phase One proposals (as listed). A video presentation was also shown.

- (a) Community centre with upgraded children's playground and garden park;
- (b) Shop;
- (c) Playing field with changing facilities;
- (d) Beaches clean of rubble and debris with safe and easy access;
- (e) Upgraded harbour area.

A full discussion ensued during which Mrs. Rankin and Mr. Montgomery answered various members' questions.

It was agreed that the officers provide a report on the issues identified by the Association prior to the Capital Programme Workshop being held on 1st November. Members indicated the need to address the provision of a community centre.

The Mayor thanked the representatives for their presentation.

7.0 NOTICE OF MOTION

The undernoted Notice of Motion was proposed by Alderman Leonard and seconded by Councillor McLaughlin:

"This council accepts that all Government and public buildings should be user friendly to staff who work there and members of the public who access facilities and services in such buildings.

This council, in line with the new beginning set out in the Good Friday Agreement will create a neutral or equal environment, in which staff and members of the public can work or conduct their business within council properties free from partisan emblems and symbols.

To this end the council will achieve the type of environment which is outlined above and will appoint a sub committee to facilitate this process. The sub committee will report back to this council no later than two months."

Alderman Leonard spoke on the motion and asked for Council's support.

A comprehensive discussion ensued, following which, on a request for a recorded vote, the motion was put to the meeting and members voted thus:

For: Alderman Leonard
Councillors Dallat, McLaughlin and Mullan (4)

Against: The Deputy Mayor
Aldermen Mrs. Armitage, Mrs. Black and Creelman
Councillors Mrs. Church, Mrs. Fielding, Hillis,
Mrs. Johnston, McClarty, McQuillan, Stewart and
Watt (12)

Abstention: The Mayor

The motion was, therefore, lost by twelve votes to four.

8.0 CONSULTATION ON PLANNING POLICY STATEMENT 14 - ISSUE PAPER - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRYSIDE

Consideration was given to BDP Planning's Draft Response on PPS14 (previously supplied) and NILGA's response on this topic (previously supplied).

It was agreed that the reply to the Department be based on the draft response.

9.0 CONSULTATION LIST

The following consultation papers were notified to members:

- (i) Department of the Environment - Consultation on the Removal of the Disability Discrimination Act Part III Exemption for Providers of Transport Services

Comments due by: 29th October, 2004

- (ii) Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency - Consultation on Fee Proposals

Comments due by: 8th November, 2004

- (iii) Department of the Environment - Vehicle Standards and Agencies Policy Branch - Speed Limiters on Goods and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles

Comments due by: 10th November, 2004

10.0 NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD

Annual Report 2003/2004 (circulated to each member).

11.0 DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT - GENERAL LEVEL OF SERVICE - COLERAINE DIVISIONAL PLANNING OFFICE

Read letter from Departmental Private Secretary to Angela Smith MP in reply to Council's further letter inviting her to meet a Council deputation regarding this topic. The Minister had now had a briefing from the Chief Executive of the Planning Service regarding his recent meeting with Council.

The Minister noted that Council had decided to review the position in a number of months' time. The Minister expected to see improvements and if Council remained dissatisfied Council was to notify the Minister.

Noted.

12.0 SEMINARS - REFORM OF THE DOMESTIC RATING SYSTEM

Information regarding seminars on this topic being organised by the Department of Finance and Personnel and NILGA would be copied for members' information. Members interested in attending any of these seminars were requested to notify the Administrative Officer.

13.0 POST PRIMARY EDUCATION REVIEW

Reported that the Chief Executive of the North-Eastern Education and Library Board would address Council on the Post Primary Education Review at its meeting on 26th October, 2004.

14.0 DOCUMENTS TABLED

- (a) Letter dated 6th September, 2004 from Royal Mail Group plc
- (b) NILGA - Full Members' Meeting and Annual General Meeting - September 2004 - Members' Briefing - Summary of Outcomes
- (c) Northern Health and Social Services Council - Minutes of meeting held on 2nd June, 2004
- (d) Northern Health and Social Services Board - First Annual Review of the Northern Childcare Partnership - Second Childcare Plan 2003/04 - 2005/06
- (e) The Electoral Commission - Report entitled "Delivering Democracy? The Future of Postal Voting"
- (f) Northern Ireland Policing Board - Annual Report - 1st April, 2003 - 31st March, 2004
- (g) Northern Health and Social Services Board - Annual Report 2003/04

15.0 LETTER OF THANKS

Read letter of thanks from Mr. C. A. Miller, former Principal Administrative Officer, for Council's support over the years and their recent retirement gift.

Noted.

16.0 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

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| 1. Wayleave for Drainage and Counterpart | Council and Stephen Martin and William Robert Anderson trading as M & A Builders, Agivey Road, Aghadowey, Coleraine - (Anderson Park, Coleraine) |
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2. Conveyance and Counterpart Council and David Paul and Minnie Wilson Paul - Plot of ground and premises situate at Coleraine Road and adjoining 37 Woodvale Road, Portstewart
3. Conveyance and Counterpart Council to David John Hudson and Martha Elizabeth Alexandra Hudson - Plot of ground and premises situate at Coleraine Road, Portstewart
4. Cemetery Titles Grant of Right of Burial – Deeds Register Nos. 3033 – 3048 (inclusive):
- | | |
|-------------|---|
| Agherton | 1 |
| Ballywillan | 4 |
| Coleraine | 7 |
| Kilrea | 1 |
| Portstewart | 3 |
- Advanced Deeds – Register Nos. 0085 – 0087 (inclusive):
- | | |
|-------------|---|
| Agherton | - |
| Ballywillan | 1 |
| Coleraine | 1 |
| Portstewart | 2 |
5. Covenant and Lease Owen Roe G.A.C. Club to Council - Grant of £180,000 (Covenant) - Playing Fields situate at Cappagh More, Portstewart (Lease)

That Councillor Watt be nominated to substitute for Councillor McQuillan at the North West Region Waste Management Group Workshop to be held on Thursday 7th October, 2004 in the Royal Hotel, Cookstown.

The Mayor thanked the representatives for their attendance.

SPECIAL MEETING

11th October, 2004.

Convened: To consider proposals set out in the Policy Paper issued by the Department of Finance and Personnel (previously supplied) regarding "Reform of the Domestic Rating System in Northern Ireland"

Present: The Mayor, Councillor R. A. McPherson, in the Chair
The Deputy Mayor, Alderman W. J. McClure

Aldermen

W. T. Creelman B. Leonard

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)	D. McClarty
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	(Item 2.0)
J. J. Dallat	A. McQuillan
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)	E. M. Mullan
N. F. Hillis	(Item 2.0)
W. A. King	R. D. Stewart
	W. J. Watt

Officers in Attendance:

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

Apologies: Aldermen Mrs. Armitage and Mrs. Black, Councillors Barbour, Bradley, Deans, Mrs. Johnston and McLaughlin

1.0 WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2.0 OVERVIEW - REFORM OF DOMESTIC RATING SYSTEM IN NORTHERN IRELAND

The Director of Corporate Services presented an overview of the "Reform of the Domestic Rating System in Northern Ireland" (Policy Paper issued by the Department of Finance and Personnel previously supplied).

The Director of Corporate Services elaborated on the following matters:

- (a) Background information
- (b) Overall aim of rating review
- (c) Options regarding use of capital values
 - (i) Individual assessment
 - (ii) Banding approach as in Great Britain
- (d) Proposal for maximum/minimum payments

- (e) Proposal for regular revaluations
- (f) Proposal for transitional arrangements
- (g) Proposal for Rate Relief Scheme
- (h) Proposal for relief for people with a disability
- (i) Proposal for rate liability deferral for pensioners
- (j) Rating of vacant domestic properties
- (k) Appeal mechanism
- (l) Second homes
- (m) Impact on Coleraine Borough Council

The Mayor thanked the Director of Corporate Services for his informative presentation.

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

The discussion included:

- (i) Options for increased rates for second home owners linked with a rates reduction for permanent residents in areas affected by second home developments
- (ii) Regional Rate Bill
- (iii) Re-distribution of local property tax
- (iv) Rating of partially completed properties

It was agreed that the Director of Corporate Services prepare a draft response to the Policy Paper for consideration at the October meeting of Council.

LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

5th October, 2004.

Present: Councillor A. McQuillan, in the Chair
The Mayor, Councillor R. A. McPherson
The Deputy Mayor, Alderman W. J. McClure

Aldermen

P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.) W. T. Creelman
E. T. Black (Mrs.) B. Leonard

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) W. A. King
D. D. Barbour D. McClarty
(Items 1.0 - 4.3) G. L. McLaughlin
J. M. Bradley E. M. Mullan
O. M. Church (Mrs.) R. D. Stewart
N. F. Hillis W. J. Watt

Officers in Attendance:

Director of Leisure Services, Director of Technical Services, Director of Environmental Health, Senior Building Control Officer (Items 2.1 - 3.9), Leisure Services Officer - Facilities, Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Councillors Dallat, Deans, Mrs. Fielding and Mrs. Johnston

1.0 WATER SERVICE - CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAMME 2004-2006

The Chairman welcomed Messrs. W. Duddy, R. White and M. Mailey from Water Service, who were in attendance to present the Water Service Capital Works Programme 2004-2006 (previously supplied).

Mr. Duddy thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address Council.

He then presented the report and elaborated on the major projects which included:

- The North Coast Wastewater Treatment Works (£42 million) which was currently out to tender
- River Bann Pumping Station which would increase the abstraction capability and provide security of supply to Ballinrees Water Treatment Works - currently on site.

A full discussion ensued during which the representatives answered various members' questions. Additional information on specific works would be supplied to members.

The Chairman thanked Messrs. Duddy, White and Mailey for attending after which they withdrew.

2.0 LEISURE SERVICES REPORT

The report of the Director of Leisure Services was considered (previously supplied).
Matters arising:

- 2.1 Coleraine Marina Council is recommended to approve the upgrading of Coleraine Marina at an approximate cost of £170,000.
- Members congratulated the officers on attracting Interreg III grant of £330,000 (~~€~~478,950) towards the cost of this project.
- Council is also recommended to appoint R. Robinson & Sons as Consulting Engineers.
- The Director of Leisure Services would request the consultants to consider increasing the proposed number of berths for small boats as part of the project.
- 2.2 Community Sports Audit A copy of the Borough Wide Audit of Sports Facilities had been previously supplied for members' information.
- Members paid tribute to the work of the various sporting organisations in the Borough.
- 2.3 Public Right-of-Way Connecting Portrush Road and Willow Drive, Coleraine Council is recommended to assert this laneway as a public right-of-way and carry out the necessary upgrading works.
- 2.4 Portrush Town Hall Work had now commenced on the refurbishment of Portrush Town Hall. The estimated completion date was March 2006.
- The Director of Leisure Services informed members that the total cost to Council would be £500,000.
- Noted.
- 2.5 Small Harbour Improvements - Interreg III Funding had been granted under the Interreg III scheme for minor works at both Portrush and Portballintrae Harbours.
- Portrush - Grant-aided at 75% up to a maximum of €12,400 to upgrade the two older pontoons.
- Portballintrae - Grant-aided at 75% up to a maximum of ~~€~~49,600.
- Council is recommended to proceed with this work over the winter period.

2.6 For Information

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

- (a) North-East School of Sport - 28th - 29th October, 2004 and North-East Junior Championships - June 2005
- (b) Causeway Clubmark Scheme
- (c) Halloween Celebrations - Saturday, 30th October, 2004 - Dunnes Stores Car Park, Coleraine - 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm

2.7 The Crescent, Portstewart

Reference was made to the operation of the facilities at The Crescent, Portstewart.

The Director of Leisure Services would raise these issues with the franchisees at the forthcoming seasonal review meeting.

Proposals for refurbishment of the facilities would be presented at the capital programme workshop.

2.8 Flowerbed at Burnside, Portstewart

Reference was made to the quality of the roses at this flowerbed.

The Director of Leisure Services would raise this matter with the Parks Manager.

3.0 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

3.1 DRD Roads Service

3.1.1 Castlerock

Consideration was given to the Department's proposals, as detailed in the report, to introduce a number of improvements to regulate traffic and assist pedestrian movement in the village.

Council is recommended to support the Department's proposals and to request for the provision of an additional crossing point.

3.1.2 Dunboe Gardens, Articlave - Abandonment

The Department proposed to abandon two small areas of roadway at Dunboe Gardens, Articlave.

Council is recommended to support the Department's proposal.

3.2 Protection Works - Portballintrae - Tender

Tenders had been received, as listed, for the first phase of improvement work at Portballintrae Bay.

Tenderer	Submitted Total	Corrected Total	Result of Correction
W. G. Killough	£137,900.00	£137,900.00	-
Hydroclean	£136,206.00	£156,221.70	+£20,015.70
McLaughlin & Harvey Ltd.	£230,880.00	£230,880.00	-
Ashleigh Contracts Ltd.	£234,965.00	£234,965.00	-
Newtownstewart Construction Ltd.	-	-	-

Council is recommended to accept the lowest tender from W. G. Killough for £137,900.00 subject to a satisfactory formal interview.

3.3 Entertainments Licence

3.3.1 The Central Bar, Garvagh

An application for the grant of an Entertainments Licence had been received in respect of The Central Bar, 58 - 60 Main Street, Garvagh.

Recommended:

That an Entertainments Licence be granted.

3.4 Building Control

3.4.1 Approvals

Approval had been given for forty-five applications.

3.5 Consultation Paper

A consultation paper on Draft Implementing Legislation and Guidance on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (the WEEE Directive) and on the Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (the ROHS Directive) would be made available for members' information.

The Director of Technical Services was currently involved with an interdepartmental group developing these issues. Council would be kept informed as to progress.

- 3.6 Bus Shelter - Garvagh Reference was made to the need for the provision of a bus shelter in Garvagh.
- The Director of Technical Services advised that provision had been made in next year's budget for such a bus shelter. An agreed siting was proving difficult to achieve.
- 3.7 Berne Toilets, Portstewart Reference was made to the condition of the Berne Toilets in Portstewart.
- The Director of Technical Services advised that this facility would be considered at the capital programme workshop.
- 3.8 Skip Area, Portstewart Reference was made to the need for the provision of a new skip area in Portstewart.
- The Director of Technical Services advised that it was intended to provide such an area if land could be secured.
- 3.9 Traffic Calming Measures - Garvagh Reference was made to the need for traffic calming measures in Garvagh.
- The Director of Technical Services would raise this matter with DRD Roads Service.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT

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

Matters arising:

- 4.1 Sewage Treatment Works - Cairn Road, Coleraine Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, regarding the sewage treatment works at Cairn Road, Coleraine.
- Following discussion it was agreed that the Director of Environmental Health arrange a Council visit to the sewage treatment works.
- 4.2 New Legislation - The Betting and Gaming (N.I.) Order 2004 Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, regarding the introduction of The Betting and Gaming (N.I.) Order 2004.
- Council is recommended to introduce a charge of £250.00 per annum for the grant of this new type of amusement permit (whose use would be restricted to persons 18 years and over).
- 4.3 Sea Water Quality Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, regarding the results of independent samples of sea water taken along the Borough's north coast by the Department.

Committee was pleased to note that the results indicated satisfactory bathing water quality along the local coastline.

**5.0 CAPITAL PROGRAMME WORKSHOP -
1ST NOVEMBER, 2004**

Members were requested to consider extending the capital programme workshop to be held on 1st November, 2004 to an afternoon and evening session, commencing at 2.30 p.m. with a break at 5.30 p.m. for a meal.

Council is recommended to agree.

**6.0 PLANNING APPLICATION
No. C/2004/0518/F
Residential development of
8 No. Townhouses and 9 No.
Apartments with Associated
Car Parking at 179, 181 Coleraine
Road and 37 Woodvale Road,
Portstewart for Atlantic Properties**

A request from Planning Service for a change of date for the office meeting in respect of this application to Wednesday, 6th October, 2004 (2.00 pm County Hall, Coleraine) was circulated to members.

It was agreed that this meeting be postponed to week commencing 11th October, 2004.

**7.0 COLERAINE RURAL AND
URBAN NETWORK**

Reference was made to a letter from Coleraine Rural and Urban Network inviting members to a visioning meeting at 10.30 am on Monday, 11th October, 2004 at West Bann Development Enterprise and Community Centre, 8 Killowen Court, Coleraine. The aim of the meeting was to develop a strategy for the Community Forum. The Administrative Officer would liaise with the DPP Manager regarding members' attendance at this event.

8.0 DOCUMENTS TABLED

- (i) Rivers Agency - Annual Report and Accounts 2003 - 2004
- (ii) Health Promotion Agency - Annual Report and Accounts 2003 - 2004
- (iii) Northern Ireland Museums Council - Annual Report and Financial Statements 2003/2004

PLANNING COMMITTEE

12th October, 2004.

Present: Councillor W. H. King in the Chair
The Mayor, Councillor R. A. McPherson
The Deputy Mayor, Alderman W. J. McClure

Aldermen

P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.) W. T. Creelman
E. T. Black (Mrs.) B. Leonard
(Items 1.0 – 5.0)

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) D. McClarty
J. M. Bradley G. L. McLaughlin
O. M. Church (Mrs.) A. McQuillan
J. J. Dallat E. M. Mullan
T. J. Deans (Items 1.2 – 8.0)
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.) R. D. Stewart
N. F. Hillis W. J. Watt

Also in

Attendance: Representatives from the Planning Service –
Ms. J. McMath and Mr. G. McGuinness

Officers in

Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive and Administrative
Assistant

Apologies: Councillors Barbour and Mrs. Johnston

1.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

Applications Deferred from Previous Meeting

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| 1.1 | <u>Application No. D1</u>
<u>C/2003/0764/O</u>
<u>2 no. two-storey dwellings with</u>
<u>detached garage on site of disused</u>
<u>mill at Craigmore Road, Blackhill,</u>
<u>Coleraine for Mr. S. Millar</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to
approve.

It was agreed that the application be
approved subject to conditions relating to a
tree survey and the retention of vegetation. |
| 1.2 | <u>Application No. D2</u>
<u>C/2003/0959/F</u>
<u>New restaurant development at</u>
<u>3b-3d The Promenade, Portstewart</u>
<u>for Portstewart Developments</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to
approve.

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

- That the application be refused.
- On being put to the Meeting the proposal was lost, seven members voting in favour and eleven members voting against.
- 1.3 Application No. D3
C/2003/1168/O
Proposed care centre (residential, nursing and elderly, mental and infirmed) (EMI) adjacent to No. 54 Loguestown Road, Portrush for Mr. E. McMaw
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Councillor Hillis and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting.
- 1.4 Application No. D4
C/2003/1212/O
Proposed site for new dwelling at Moneydig Road, Kilrea for Mr. M. Doherty
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by Councillor Mullan and unanimously agreed:
- That the application be approved.
- 1.5 Application No. D5
C/2003/1239/O
New dwelling to rear of 45 Bridge Street, Kilrea for J. and M. McAllister
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate the receipt of additional information.
- 1.6 Application No. D6
C/2003/1268/O
Site for dwelling and garage at Hervey Hill Road (100m west of Hervey Hill Road and Drumagarner Road junction), Kilrea for Mr. T. McEldowney
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by Councillor Mullan and unanimously agreed:
- That the application be approved.
- 1.7 Application No. D7
C/2003/1282/F
Alterations/additions to house (first floor side extension) at 15 Portrush Road, North Mullaghacall, Portstewart for Mr. and Mrs. C. Warwick
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 1.8 Application No. D8
C/2003/1292/F
Erection of dwelling with detached
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

- garage at Fort Road, Garvagh (opposite No. 31) for Mr. B. Turner
- It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Church and seconded by Councillor Watt:
- That the application be approved.
- On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, eighteen members voting in favour and no one voting against.
- 1.9 Application No. D9
C/2003/1372/F
Proposed change of use from shop unit to hot food carry out at Unit 2, 121 Coleraine Road, Portrush for Mr. Spence
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 1.10 Application No. D10
C/2004/0015/O
Proposed dwelling house 250m to south-east of 89 Mettican Road, Garvagh for J. McAneaney
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 1.11 Application No. D11
C/2004/0035/O
Site for housing development to rear of 20 Ballylagan Road, Islandmore Road, Portrush for Mr. D. Kelly
- 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.
- 1.12 Application No. D12
C/2004/0085/O
Site for dwelling and garage south of 48 Ballyversal Road, Coleraine for Mr. Curry
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Watt, seconded by Councillor Dallat and unanimously agreed:
- That the application be approved.
- 1.13 Application No. D13
C/2004/0229/O
Proposed dwelling opposite north end of Springbank Road, Burrenmore Road, Downhill, Castlerock for Mr. E. Devlin
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was unanimously agreed that the application be approved.
- 1.14 Application No. D14
C/2004/0310/O
1 no. dwelling and 1 no. garage adjacent to No. 75 Glen Road, Garvagh for Mr. McNicholl
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.

1.15	<u>Application No. D15</u> <u>C/2004/0315/O</u> <u>Proposed site for dwelling adjacent to 40 Shanlongford Road, Ringsend for Mr. T. Brown-Kerr</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved subject to a condition relating to the retention of vegetation.</p>
1.16	<u>Application No. D16</u> <u>C/2004/0329/O</u> <u>Site for dwelling at 6 Bratwell Road, Castlerock for Mr. and Mrs. L. Bradley</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed that the application be approved.</p>
1.17	<u>Application No. D17</u> <u>C/2004/0344/F</u> <u>Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 no. detached dwellings with detached single garages at 7 Seafield Park, Portstewart for CharDO Developments</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved.</p>
1.18	<u>Application No. D18</u> <u>C/2004/0355/O</u> <u>Site for dwelling adjacent to Drumeil Road, Aghadowey for Mr. J. McAfee</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed that the application be approved.</p>
1.19	<u>Application No. D19</u> <u>C/2004/0357/F</u> <u>Proposed dwelling with detached garage adjacent to 11 Altikeeragh Lane, Castlerock for Mr. and Mrs. A. Boggs</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved.</p>
1.20	<u>Application No. D20</u> <u>C/2004/0366/O</u> <u>Site of single storey dwelling and garage approximately 30m south-east of 6 Drumeil Road, Aghadowey for Mr. and Mrs. P. McNicholl</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved.</p>
1.21	<u>Application No. D21</u> <u>C/2004/0381/O</u> <u>Site for dwelling and garage at Edenbane Road, Kilrea for Mr. J. Bradley</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved subject to conditions relating to a modest dwelling and the retention of vegetation.</p>
1.22	<u>Application No. D22</u> <u>C/2004/0395/O</u> <u>Site for dwelling and garage adjacent to 11 Craigaboney Road, Bushmills for Mr. B. McLean</u>	<p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was proposed by Alderman Mrs. Black, seconded by the Mayor and unanimously agreed:</p>

- That the application be approved.
- 1.23 Application No. D23
C/2004/0403/O
Site for dwelling adjacent to and north-east of 40 Moneydig Road, Garvagh for Mr. D. Hazlett
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for one week to facilitate withdrawal. If the application was not withdrawn it would be refused.
- 1.24 Application No. D24
C/2004/0419/O
Site for dwelling approximately 250m to the rear of 98 Dunboe Road, Coleraine for Mr. D. Hutchinson
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Watt and unanimously agreed:
- That the application be approved.
- 1.25 Application No. D25
C/2004/0434/O
Site for retirement dwelling north-west of 24 Leeke Road, Bushmills for J. and M. Twaddle
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for two weeks to facilitate further discussions with the applicant. If agreement was reached the application would be approved otherwise it would be refused.
- 1.26 Application No. D26
C/2004/0477/O
Site for dwelling adjacent to 27 Ballytober Road, Bushmills for Mr. A. Parke
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for one week to facilitate withdrawal. If the application was not withdrawn it would be refused.

NEW APPLICATIONS

- 1.27 Application No. 3
C/2003/1096/O
Site for dwelling at Lisachrin Road, Garvagh (approximately 250m west of junction with Ballymenagh Road) for Mr. J. Stewart
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Church and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.

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| 1.28 | <u>Application No. 8</u>
<u>C/2004/0083/F</u>
<u>Erection of two dwellings at</u>
<u>25 Larkhill Road, Portstewart for</u>
<u>Mr. N. Glasgow</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit. |
| 1.29 | <u>Application No. 11</u>
<u>C/2004/0210/F</u>
<u>Proposed semi-detached dwelling at</u>
<u>1 Millbank Avenue, Portstewart for</u>
<u>Carney Investments</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting. |
| 1.30 | <u>Application No. 12</u>
<u>C/2004/0216/O</u>
<u>Proposed site for one and a half</u>
<u>storey dwelling at Ballynacally Park,</u>
<u>Coleraine for Mr. J. McFaul</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. |
| 1.31 | <u>Application No. 15</u>
<u>C/2004/0251/A</u>
<u>Hoarding/directional signage on rear</u>
<u>wall of 12 Waterside, Coleraine</u>
<u>(facing Strand Road/occupied by</u>
<u>Porterhouse) for Mr. W. Wallace</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further consideration by the Committee. |
| 1.32 | <u>Application No. 19</u>
<u>C/2004/0297/F</u>
<u>Redevelopment of existing</u>
<u>residential property containing 2 no.</u>
<u>dwelling units to provide 2 no.</u>
<u>replacement dwellings at 92</u>
<u>Ballyreagh Road, Portstewart for</u>
<u>Dalzell and Snodden</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting. |
| 1.33 | <u>Application No. 21</u>
<u>C/2004/0336/O</u>
<u>Dwelling and garage to rear of</u>
<u>50 Grove Road, Garvagh for</u>
<u>S. and R. Holmes</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. |
| 1.34 | <u>Application No. 29</u>
<u>C/2004/0400/O</u>
<u>Site for dwelling and garage north-</u>
<u>west of 61 Altikeeragh Road,</u>
<u>Castlerock for Mr. J. Pollock</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. |
| 1.35 | <u>Application No. 35</u>
<u>C/2004/0517/O</u>
<u>Site for dwelling on north side of</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse. |

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| | <u>Edenbane Road, (opposite 33 Blackrock Road), Kilrea for Mr. O. Shiels</u> | It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit. |
| 1.36 | <u>Application No. 40 C/2004/0580/O</u>
<u>Proposed site for bungalow approximately 120m east of 193 Gelvin Road, Garvagh for Mr. D. Hassan</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. |
| 1.37 | <u>Application No. 56 C/2004/0671/F</u>
<u>Demolition of existing dwelling to provide 3 no. apartments at 32 Brook Street, Coleraine for Mr. T. O'Kane</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. |

2.0 NON DETERMINATION APPEALS

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| 2.1 | <u>Application No. C/2004/0237/F</u>
<u>Retrospective application for rebuilding of 9/11 The Diamond, Portstewart</u> | Consideration was given to letters dated 15 th September, 2004 from the Planning Service (previously supplied). |
| | <u>Application No. C/2004/0238/LB</u>
<u>Retrospective application for rebuilding of 9/11 The Diamond, Portstewart</u> | Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Ms. Alexander and seconded by Alderman Mrs. Armitage:

That Council support a refusal.

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

3.0 GENERAL PLANNING ISSUES

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| 3.1 | <u>Development to rear of 4 Agherton Lane, Portstewart</u> | Reported that the site had been visited and was under investigation. The course of action was still to be agreed. |
| 3.2 | <u>Rock Castle, Portstewart</u> | No further update was available.

It was proposed by Alderman Leonard, seconded by Councillor Ms. Alexander and agreed:

That the Town Clerk and Chief Executive write to the Planning Service Headquarters in order to clarify the present position regarding this matter. |
| 3.3 | <u>Planning Application No. C/2004/0555</u> | Reported that this application would be dealt with within two months. |

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| 3.4 | <u>Fence at Kiddieland, Portrush</u> | Reported that this matter was now an enforcement issue. The site had been visited and a portion of the fence had been removed. The course of action was still to be agreed. |
| 3.5 | <u>Windows at development adjacent to 9 Wheatsheaf Park, Coleraine</u> | Reported that there had been no development on this site. |
| 3.6 | <u>Planning Application – Mr. G. W. Hamilton, 119 Cashel Road, Macosquin, Coleraine</u> | Reported that the Roads Service consultation had been received and the decision had been issued that day. |
| 3.7 | <u>Salmon Fisheries</u> | This matter had been clarified at last month's meeting. |

4.0 PLANNING ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS

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| 4.1 | <u>Application No. C/2003/0810/F</u> | Reference was made to the possibility of issuing a decision regarding this application.

Reported that the application would be discussed at a group meeting and brought back to Committee. |
| 4.2 | <u>Application No. C/2003/1079</u> | Reference was made to the length of time involved in processing this application to a group meeting. The matter would be investigated. |
| 4.3 | <u>6 Sunnyvale Avenue, Portrush</u> | Reference was made to a breach of planning approval at this location. The matter would be investigated. |
| 4.4 | <u>Application No. C/2003/1366</u> | It was agreed that an office meeting be arranged as a number of issues relating to this application had still to be resolved. |
| 4.5 | <u>Application No. C/2004/0136</u> | Additional information was requested in relation to a commercial business in Causeway Street, Portrush. |

5.0 NOTICE OF MOTION

The undernoted Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor McClarty and seconded by Councillor Dallat:

“That the Planning Committee rescind its decision of 14th September, 2004 in respect of planning application C/2003/1357/F. We call upon the Planning Committee to support the Planning Department’s recommendation to refuse this application in respect of the unacceptable density proposed in the application.”

Councillor McClarty spoke on the Motion and asked Council for their support.

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

That Standing Orders be suspended to enable the applicant and the objectors to address Committee.

Following a short adjournment the Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that, while the applicant and the objectors wished to avail of the opportunity to address Committee, some notice was required to prepare.

It was subsequently agreed that this matter be deferred to the Council Meeting to be held on 26th October, 2004 when the applicant and the objectors would each be given the opportunity to make a short presentation on their respective position on this application.

Councillor Ms. Alexander and her seconder, Alderman Leonard, agreed to withdraw her proposal relating to the suspension of Standing Orders.

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

That Committee proceed to the next item on the Agenda.

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

Following further discussion Councillor Watt indicated his dissatisfaction at the decision relating to the Notice of Motion being agreed without a formal vote being taken.

**6.0 PUBLIC CONSULTATION PAPER -
“REFORMING PLANNING - PROPOSALS
TO AMEND PRIMARY PLANNING
LEGISLATION IN NORTHERN IRELAND”**

Consideration was given to the draft response from BDP Planning on the above public consultation paper (previously supplied). It was agreed that this should form the basis of Council's response together with the additional comments identified by members.

**7.0 CONSULTATION PAPER ON SITE NOTICES
WITHIN THE WIDER CONTEXT OF PUBLICISING
PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Consideration was given to the above consultation paper which had been prepared by the Administrative Officer (previously supplied).

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

That Council support the introduction of site notices for all applications as a mandatory part of the planning application process; the erection of such notices would be the responsibility of the applicant.

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

8.0 PORTSTEWART COMMUNITY VISION -
PUBLIC MEETING

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reminded members about the Public Meeting organised by Portstewart Community Vision to be held in Portstewart Town Hall on Thursday, 14th October, 2004 at 7.15 p.m.

POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

19th October, 2004.

Present:

Councillor D. D. Barbour, in the Chair

The Mayor, Councillor R. A. McPherson

The Deputy Mayor, Alderman W. J. McClure

Aldermen

P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)
(Items 2.2.1 – 12.0)

B. Leonard
(Items 1.0 – 6.0)

W. T. Creelman
E. T. Black (Mrs.)

Councillors

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
(Items 1.0 – 5.0)
J. M. Bradley
(Items 2.0 – 12.0)
O. M. Church (Mrs.)
J. J. Dallat
T. J. Deans
N. F. Hillis

W. A. King
D. McClarty
G. L. McLaughlin
A. McQuillan
E. M. Mullan
R. D. Stewart
W. J. Watt
(Items 1.0 – 4.9)

Officers in Attendance:

Director of Corporate Services, Head of Development Services, Personnel Officer (Items 1.0 – 4.9), Finance Officer (Items 1.0 – 4.9), Policy Development Officer, Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Councillors Mrs. Fielding and Mrs. Johnston

1.0 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed the Post Graduate Journalism students from the University of Ulster who were present to take notes on the meeting.

2.0 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

2.1 Loan Sanctions

Recommended:

That borrowing approval be sought in respect of the undernoted capital expenditure:

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1. Owen Roe GAC – Capital Contribution	180,000
2. Waste Transfer Station at Craigahulliar	170,000
3. Waterworld – Plant Refurbishment	83,000
4. Civic Amenity Site – Portrush	220,000
5. Resurfacing Car Park – Warren Rec. Grounds	10,000
6. Purchase of Medium Sized Van	8,800
7. Purchase of Tractor and Loader	24,500
8. Purchase of Grass Cutting Machine	11,000

2.2 Matters for Information

2.2.1 Freedom of Information Update

Consideration was given to information on the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as contained in the report and the Director of Corporate Services elaborated on Council and Councillors' responsibilities under the Act.

Discussion ensued during which the Director of Corporate Services answered members' queries and clarified various issues.

A paper outlining how the requirements of the Data Protection Act are addressed in relation to Freedom of Information would be brought to Committee in due course.

2.2.2 Accounts

Committee noted that creditors' payments for September 2004, as per lists circulated, had been

issued as follows:

Revenue A/C	-	£ 453,991.59
Capital A/C	-	£ 274,006.16
Petty Cash A/C	-	£ 161,218.40

A member's request for information relating to payments for landfill site infill would be passed to the Director of Technical Services.

Councillor Dallat then made a proposal which was seconded by Councillor Mullan. On a request by Councillor McClarty for an amendment to the wording, the proposer and seconder agreed that the proposal should read:

That, in future, Council should make a special effort to enlist the services of marching bands, of equal standard, representing both traditions.

On being put to the meeting the proposal was carried by fifteen votes to nil.

2.2.3 Appointments

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

Leisure Services Department

Collections Access Officer (New – 3 Year Fixed Term): Miss A. Kirkpatrick

Corporate Services Department

Information Technology Assistant (Replacement): Mr. D. Hunter

Clerical Assistant (Replacement): Mrs. H. McAlister

In response to a member's query, the Personnel Officer clarified Council's policy regarding feedback for unsuccessful applicants.

3.0 LAND AND PROPERTY

Council is recommended to approve the renewal of the lease between the Crown Estate Commissioners and Council of land between the foreshore and seabed at Portrush Harbour, at a rent of £2,000 per annum for the five year period from 1st December, 2004 to 30th November, 2009.

4.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

4.1 Proposed Hotel Development at Runkerry, Bushmills

Consideration was given to a request by Mr. Hunter of Robinson's Architects to make a presentation to Council on the potential development of a five star resort hotel and golf course between Bushmills and the Giant's Causeway, as outlined in the report.

Discussion ensued during which a proposal by Councillor Watt to support the development was withdrawn. Members expressed their concerns regarding showing support for a development of which they had very limited knowledge and which lay outside the Coleraine Borough.

It was then proposed by Councillor Deans, seconded by Councillor McClarty and, following an approved amendment to the wording, recommended:

That Council hear a presentation from Mr. Hunter.

Councillor Hillis asked for it to be recorded that he opposed Council hearing the presentation on the grounds that the proposed development was outside Coleraine Borough Council's area.

4.2 Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast World Heritage Site

The Environment & Heritage Service, in partnership with the National Trust and Moyle District Council, was preparing a Management Plan for the Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast World Heritage Site. Views on the draft plan (summary document previously supplied) had been invited and a public consultation workshop would be held on Tuesday 9th November, 2004 in the Causeway Hotel. The closing date for consultation would be 3rd December, 2004.

A recommended draft response to the draft plan would be made available for the meeting of Policy and Development Committee on 16th November, 2004.

4.3 Consultation on Proposed Changes to the Statutory Regulation of Tourist Accommodation in Northern Ireland

Council is recommended to approve the draft response (previously supplied) to the proposed amendments on the existing Tourism Order.

- 4.4 Northern Ireland Multiple Deprivation Measure (NI) 2004 Consultation Document Council is recommended to approve the draft response (previously supplied) to this Consultation Document.
- 4.5 Hospital Radio Awards Ceremony and Conference It was proposed by Councillor McClarty, seconded by Alderman Mrs. Black and recommended:
- That Council contribute £200 to this event.
- 4.6 Matters for Information Committee noted information, as contained in the report, on the following topics:
- (i) Economic Development Information Day for Members.
 - (ii) Broadband Update.
 - (iii) 'Funding for Small Businesses' – Open Night – 8th November, 2004 at Cloonavin.
 - (iv) Investors in People – Support for Small Businesses.

5.0 EQUALITY WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 Single Equality Bill (SEB) Council is recommended to adopt the recommendations of the Equality Working Group on the Discussion Paper on the Single Equality Bill, as contained in the report (previously supplied).
- 5.2 Equality Impact Assessment on Personnel Policies Consideration was given to the recommendations of the Equality Working Group (previously supplied).
- Councillor Dallat asked that it be made clear that the SDLP did not support recommendation no. 4 of the report viz:
- 'Council's Working Together Initiative will be used to address concerns about informal display of flag at Council facilities'.
- A full discussion ensued during which it was proposed by Councillor Deans and seconded by Councillor McQuillan:
- That Council adopt the recommendations of the Equality Working Group on the Equality Impact Assessment on Personnel Policies, as contained in the report.
- It was further proposed as an amendment by Councillor Mullan and seconded by Councillor McLaughlin:

That Council adopt, in full,

recommendations nos. 2, 3, 5 and 6 of the Equality Working Group and that recommendations nos. 1 and 4 be reviewed viz:

- recommendation no. 1 does not include a welcoming statement for members of the Roman Catholic Faith;
- recommendation no. 4 is incomplete as it does not require Council to remove the flag at the Council Depot.

On being put to the meeting, the amendment was lost by twelve votes to four.

The substantive motion was then carried with thirteen votes for and four votes against.

6.0 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - 14TH NOVEMBER, 2004 - ARRANGEMENTS

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

Recommended:

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

Coleraine	-	The Deputy Mayor
Portrush	-	Councillor Stewart
Portstewart	-	Councillor McLaughlin
Kilrea	-	Councillor Mrs. Church
Aghadowey	-	Councillor Watt
Castlerock	-	Councillor King

7.0 NORTHERN AREA PLAN - POSTPONEMENT OF PUBLICATION

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

This issue would be considered at the Council meeting on 26th October, 2004.

8.0 CONFEDERATION OF EUROPEAN COUNCILLORS - NORTH SOUTH POLITICAL RELATIONS IN THE 21ST CENTURY - 2 DAY SEMINAR IN THE KILLYHEVLIN HOTEL, ENNISKILLEN - 2ND/3RD DECEMBER, 2004

Any members interested in attending this seminar were asked to contact the Administrative

Officer.

9.0 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDIT OFFICE

Read notice advising that the audit of Council's accounts would take place on Tuesday 9th November, 2004 commencing at 11.00am.

Noted.

10.0 DOCUMENTS TABLED

- (i) Department for Regional Development – Regional Transportation Strategy for Northern Ireland 2002-2012 – Annual Monitoring Report 2003-2004.
- (ii) Planning Appeals Commission - Report of the Independent Complaints Audit Panel (CAP) of The Planning and Water Appeals Commissions for 2003/2004.
- (iii) Department for Social Development – Evaluation of 'Partners for Change' – Executive Summary June 2004.

11.0 REVIEW OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Members expressed their concern over public reports that the proposed restructuring of local government would involve a reduction in the number of councils from twenty six to seven.

Noted.

12.0 CAR PARKING - CLOONAVIN AND PORTRUSH

A member's request for an update on the current situation with car parking at these locations was noted.