

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of Coleraine Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on TUESDAY the 28th day of November, 2000 at 7.30 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 – 24th October, 2000
 - 1.2 Special Meeting of Council – 25th October, 2000
2. Committee Reports (enclosed):
 - 2.1 Special Meeting of Policy and Development Committee – 25th October, 2000
 - 2.2 Special Meeting of Leisure and Environment Committee – 30th October, 2000
 - 2.3 Special Meeting of Leisure and Environment Committee – 2nd November, 2000

Messrs. A. Eakin and D. Parker will be in attendance to address Council on Coleraine Cemetery.
 - 2.4 Leisure and Environment Committee – 7th November, 2000
 - 2.5 Special Meeting of Planning Committee – 9th November, 2000
 - 2.6 Planning Committee - 14th November, 2000
 - 2.7 Policy and Development Committee – 21st November, 2000
3. Correspondence

4. Documents for Sealing

Enclosed for Information:

- (1) Minutes of the Meeting of the Northern Health and Social Services Council of 4th October, 2000
- (2) Causeway Hospital News – Issue No. 14 – October 2000

To: Each Member of Council.

24th November, 2000.

COLERAINE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of proceedings of Coleraine Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on Tuesday, 24th October, 2000 at 7.30 p.m.

Convened: As per Notice attached

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

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

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
(Items 1.0 – 9.1)

W. H. King
W. J. McClure

Councillors

D. D. Barbour
E. T. Black (Mrs.)
R. S. Bolton
O. M. Church (Mrs.)
W. T. Creelman
J. J. Dallat
(Items 9.0 – 9.5)
N. F. Hillis

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

Officers in Attendance:

Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Leisure Services, Director of Corporate Services, Director of Environmental Health, Senior Technical Officer, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Aldermen Mrs. Armitage and Watt and Councillor Bradley

1.0 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 26th September, 2000 and the Special Meeting of 16th October, 2000 were confirmed and signed.

2.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

2.1 Leisure and Environment Committee

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

Matters arising:

2.1.1 Portrush Town Hall

Reported that The Hearth Revolving Fund would now be attending the December Meeting of Committee.

- 2.2 Planning Committee Noted.
The Vice Chairman, Councillor Bolton, moved the adoption of the Planning Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Alderman King and agreed.
- Matters arising:
- 2.2.1 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 In response to a query regarding the voting on this application Councillor Bolton confirmed that he had voted in favour of the amendment.
- 2.2.2 Special Meeting Noted.
The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that a Special Meeting of the Planning Committee would be held on Thursday, 9th November, 2000 to discuss potential improvements to the consultative process.
- 2.3 Community/Police Forum The Chairman, Councillor McPherson, moved the adoption of the Community/Police Forum Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Mrs. Church and agreed.
- 2.4 Policy and Development
Committee The Chairman, Councillor Barbour, moved the adoption of the Policy and Development Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Stewart and agreed.

3.0 ENTERTAINMENTS LICENCES

Consideration was given to the Director of Technical Services' Report on Entertainments Licences (previously supplied).

It was anticipated that applications would be received by Council from Entertainments Licence holders requesting extensions to the hours during which entertainment may be provided for December 26th and December 31st/January 1st celebrations.

Agreed:

That, as in previous years, Council delegate power to the officers for the authorisation of such extensions.

4.0 NORTH-EASTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

Tabled:

Minutes of the North-Eastern Education and Library Board dated 27th June, 2000.

**5.0 NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE -
QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**

Tabled:

The Northern Ireland Housing Executive –
Quarterly Progress Report for the period
June – September, 2000.

6.0 CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAU

Reported that the Annual General Meeting of Coleraine and Districts' Citizens' Advice Bureau would be held on Tuesday, 7th November at 1.00 p.m. in Coleraine Town Hall. All Council members were cordially invited.

Noted.

**7.0 FAMILIARISATION VISIT -
CIVIC HEADQUARTERS**

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised members that relocation to the new Civic Headquarters would take place during the week commencing 13th November, 2000, followed by opening to the public on Monday, 20th November, 2000.

A familiarisation visit would be held for members on Monday 20th November, 2000 at 7.00 p.m.

Noted.

8.0 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

1. Cemetery Titles Registration Numbers 2648 – 2653 inclusive:

Agherton	-
Ballywillan	-
Coleraine	4
Portstewart	2

Advanced Deed:

Portstewart	1
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**9.0 ROADS SERVICE INTERIM REPORT
2000 - 2001**

The Mayor welcomed Mr. D. Orr, Divisional Roads Manager and Mr. M. Glover, Section Engineer, who were in attendance to present the Interim Report 2000 – 2001 (previously supplied).

The Divisional Roads Manager elaborated on the programme of work already carried out as well as outlining plans for the forthcoming years.

9.1 Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge, Coleraine

The Divisional Roads Manager reported that the pedestrian and cycle bridge would now proceed as outstanding matters had been resolved.

Contractual arrangements were being finalised and it was hoped that the scheme would be completed by May, 2001.

9.2 Dunhill Road/Drumcroone Road Junction

Members again expressed concern regarding the problems encountered at the Dunhill Road/Drumcroone Road junction.

The Divisional Roads Manager outlined the results of the surveys carried out by Roads Service and advised members that he would investigate the possibility of introducing some form of traffic calming measures.

9.3 Planning Process

Reference was made to a number of planning applications being refused only on the grounds of Roads Service objections and the lack of information being available at Planning Committee Meetings.

The Divisional Roads Manager was of the opinion that the Planning Officers could answer any queries but in special cases an officer from Roads Service could be in attendance.

9.4 Housing Estates – Criteria

Reference was made to the necessary criteria for implementing traffic calming in housing estates.

The Divisional Roads Manager advised that due to the complexity of the matter a full written reply would be forwarded to the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

9.5 Lodge Road Roundabout

The Divisional Roads Manager advised that the new traffic signals at the Lodge Road roundabout would be operational from early November. A leaflet and map detailing the new arrangements would be distributed to the public in due course.

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

The Mayor thanked the representatives for their attendance.

SPECIAL MEETING

25th October, 2000.

Convened: To consider the appointment of six persons as Coleraine Harbour Commissioners for a three year period from November 2000

- (a) Two members from Council
- (b) Four members as recommended in the report (previously supplied)

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

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

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
W. H. King

W. J. McClure

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

Officers in Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Aldermen Mrs. Armitage and Watt, Councillors Mrs. Church and Dallat

1.0 APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS

Consideration was given to the appointment of two Council members as Coleraine Harbour Commissioners for a three year period from November 2000.

Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman King and seconded by Councillor McClarty:

That Councillor O'Hara be appointed.

It was proposed by Councillor McPherson and seconded by Councillor Bolton:

That Councillor Mrs. Black be appointed.

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

That Councillor Bradley be appointed.

Councillor Bradley declined the nomination.

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

That Councillor Mullan be appointed.

On a vote being taken the candidates received the following votes:

Councillor O'Hara - 10 votes
Councillor Mrs. Black – 11 votes
Councillor Mullan – 9 votes

Councillors Mrs. Black and O'Hara were, therefore, duly elected to serve as Coleraine Harbour Commissioners for a three year period commencing November 2000.

1.1 Open Selection Process

Consideration was given to the Town Clerk and Chief Executive's Report (previously supplied) on the open selection process to fill four posts for appointment as Coleraine Harbour Commissioners. Interviews had been held on 19th September, 2000 and as a result the interviewing panel had unanimously recommended that the undernoted persons be appointed by Council to serve as Harbour Commissioners for a three year period commencing November 2000:

Mr. R. J. Aiken, 6 Knocktarna Grange, Coleraine
Mr. R. Anderson, 10 Seafield Park, Portstewart
Mr. C. V. Hamill, 5 Mountsandel Road, Coleraine
Mr. W. Oliver, Exorna Lane, Castlerock

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Barbour, seconded by Councillor Bradley and agreed:

That Council endorse the recommendation of the interviewing panel and appoint these four persons to serve as Harbour Commissioners for the three year period commencing November 2000.

SPECIAL MEETING
POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

25th October, 2000.

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

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) W. J. McClure
W. H. King

Councillors

D. D. Barbour G. L. McLaughlin
E. T. Black (Mrs.) R. A. McPherson
J. M. Bradley W. Mathews
W. T. Creelman E. M. Mullan
N. F. Hillis E. O'Hara
D. McClarty R. D. Stewart

Officers in

Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Head of Development Services, Tourism and Marketing Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Aldermen Mrs. Armitage and Watt, Councillors Bolton, Mrs. Church and Dallat

1.0 DRAFT TOURISM DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2000 - 2010

Consideration was given to the draft Tourism Development Strategy Document 2000 – 2010 (previously supplied).

Members noted that the aim of the study was to produce a tourism development strategy for the Borough which is soundly market based, identifies the opportunities and the needs of the Borough, attracts support from the private, public and community sectors and provides a dynamic framework for action for the next ten years.

The Tourism and Marketing Officer presented the draft tourism development strategy document (summary circulated) and elaborated on the consultative process that had been undertaken, together with the vision for the future, marketing strategy and product development aspects of the document. Ms. Mann also highlighted accommodation matters, the quality assurance process and ongoing development of the strategy as detailed in the document.

A full discussion ensued on this topic during which Ms. Mann answered various members' questions on the draft strategy proposals.

The Chairman and members congratulated the Tourism and Marketing Officer for her work in producing the draft strategy.

It was proposed by Councillor Hillis, seconded by Councillor Mullan and unanimously agreed that Council adopt the Tourism Development Strategy 2000 – 2010.

SPECIAL MEETING

LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

30th October, 2000.

Convened: To consider a preliminary request from Coleraine Rugby Football and Cricket Club regarding use of a portion of Council's land at Rugby Avenue, Coleraine.

Present: Alderman W. H. King in the Chair
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) W. J. Watt

Councillors

D. D. Barbour	D. McClarty
E. T. Black (Mrs.)	G. L. McLaughlin
R. S. Bolton	R. A. McPherson
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	E. M. Mullan
W. T. Creelman	R. D. Stewart
N. F. Hillis	

Officers in

Attendance: Director of Leisure Services, Leisure Services Officer, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: The Mayor, Alderman Mrs. Armitage, Councillors Bradley, Dallat, Mathews and O'Hara

The Director of Leisure Services explained that a letter had been received from Coleraine Rugby Football and Cricket Club in August outlining proposals for the future re-development of the Club. Two possible options were being investigated by the Club:

1. The Club to sell lands, including the clubhouse and car park on the Coleraine side of Rugby Avenue and do a complete rebuild to include three 'prunty' pitches, cricket square and floodlighting on the Ballymoney side of Rugby Avenue.
2. The Club to sell only the land on the Coleraine side of Rugby Avenue but retain the clubhouse and car parking and build a grandstand with indoor training/ changing facilities and develop the grounds as above.

Both options would involve extensive new car parking to ensure that the junior members playing rugby did not have to cross Rugby Avenue and the Club were seeking to acquire approximately 3.06 acres of Council land at the Rugby Avenue Sports Complex. In exchange for this 3.06 acres of land the Club suggested the re-development of the existing all-weather hockey pitch by providing a fully serviced synthetic pitch at an approximate cost of £300k.

The Director of Leisure Services suggested to members that the two key issues to be considered by Council were:

Does Council wish to release the land to the Club to facilitate its development and, if so, does it wish to see a synthetic pitch provided.

At this point in the Meeting the Mayor welcomed Mr. J. McGowan, Mr. P. Taylor and Mr. R. McCook from Coleraine Rugby Football and Cricket Club who were in attendance to address Committee on the proposals.

Mr. J. McGowan, Chairman of the Club, addressed Committee and elaborated on the proposals.

Mr. McGowan answered various members' questions on this topic after which the representatives withdrew.

Following a full discussion it was proposed by Councillor McClarty and seconded by Councillor Barbour:

That Council explore, in principle, the possibility of facilitating the request from Coleraine Rugby Football and Cricket Club.

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

Council is recommended to agree.

LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

7th November, 2000.

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

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)	W. J. McClure
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)	W. J. Watt
W. H. King	(Items 1.0 – 6.2)

Councillors

D. D. Barbour	D. McClarty
E. T. Black (Mrs.)	G. L. McLaughlin
R. S. Bolton	R. A. McPherson
J. M. Bradley	(Items 4.3 – 7.1.1)
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	W. Mathews
W. T. Creelman	E. M. Mullan
J. J. Dallat	(Items 3.0 – 7.1.1)
(Items 5.5 – 7.1.1)	R. D. Stewart
N. F. Hillis	
(Items 3.0 – 7.1.1)	

Officers in

Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Leisure Services, Director of Environmental Health, Director of Technical Services, Leisure Services Officer, Principal Building Control Officer, Countryside Access Officer, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

1.0 WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed members to the last meeting of the Leisure and Environment Committee at Cloonavin prior to the relocation to the new civic offices.

2.0 CONGRATULATIONS

The Mayor congratulated the Chairman on his achievement of the merit award at the recent Local Sports Advisory Council Awards evening.

3.0 PORTRUSH TRAFFIC SCHEME

Consideration was given to a letter from the Divisional Roads Manager together with correspondence and report from Portrush Chamber of Commerce (previously supplied) regarding the Portrush Traffic Scheme.

The Divisional Roads Manager sought Council's views on a proposal from Portrush

Chamber of Commerce, that access to Eglinton Street from The Metropole roundabout be re-opened making Eglinton Street two way as far as Sandhill Drive.

The Chairman welcomed representatives from Portrush Chamber who were in attendance to address Committee. Mr. A. Moore, on behalf of the Chamber, elaborated on their proposed amendment to the traffic scheme. As part of their research the Chamber had commissioned a desktop study by JMP Consultants Ltd. which concluded that the opening of Metropole corner to this traffic should be considered. Discussion ensued on this topic during which Mr. Moore answered members' questions.

The Chamber sought Council's support for a twelve month trial period of the re-opening of Metropole corner to two way traffic.

It was proposed by Councillor Mathews and seconded by Councillor McClarty:

That Council support a twelve month trial period of the Chamber's proposal.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, seventeen members voting in favour.

The Chairman thanked the representatives from Portrush Chamber of Commerce for attending, after which they withdrew.

4.0 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

4.1 Toilet Block – Strand Road, Coleraine

Council is recommended to agree to upgrading work at the toilet block at Strand Road, Coleraine including the utilisation of the former shelter area to provide a disabled toilet and baby changing unit. The estimated cost of the work was £41,000.

4.2 Portstewart Town Hall - Repair Works

Committee noted that repair works were now well underway at Portstewart Town Hall and progressing to programme.

In view of the internal repairs being carried out and the expected ten year minimum lifespan of the building it was now recommended that the property be re-roofed as detailed in the report.

The estimated cost of this work was £42,000 which would be additional to the previously accepted £128,000 contract.

Council is recommended to agree.

4.3 Arcadia Improvement Scheme - Portrush Community Development Group had

Arcadia Building

expressed an interest to lease the entire proposed renovated Arcadia building from Council. The Group would use the first floor for project/activity work whilst managing the café/toilet ground floor area on behalf of Council.

Following discussion it was recommended that Council agree, in principle, to the Community Group's proposal.

Reference was made to the detrimental environmental impact of the former Carrignata Clinic on the scheme. The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that the property was currently being offered for sale.

4.4 Entertainments Licences - Conditions

Recommended:

That a condition be included in all relevant Entertainments Licences under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (N.I.) Order 1985 (as amended) regarding the use of registered Door Supervisors.

The condition would require relevant licensed premises in the Borough to employ only Door Supervisors who were registered with a scheme recognised by Council. This would be effective in all relevant licence renewals from November 2000.

4.5 Street Trading Licence

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

Mr. P. McGowan,
32a Castlecatt Road,
Bushmills.

Recommended:

That a Street Trading Licence be granted.

4.6 Building Control

4.6.1 Approvals

Approval had been given for sixty-one applications.

4.6.2 Annual Building Control Convention – 16th – 17th November, 2000

Reported that neither The Mayor or Councillor Mullan were able to attend the Annual Building Control Convention which would be held this year

in the Canal Court Hotel, Newry from 16th – 17th November, 2000.

Recommended:

That Alderman Watt attend the Convention.

4.7 Craigahulliar Landfill Site

Committee noted that an advertisement would be placed inviting applications for possible inclusion on a select list of contractors for the Craigahulliar Phase II Scheme. A report would subsequently be presented to Council on this topic.

4.8 Portballintrae Toilet Block

Reported that, subsequent to planning permission having been obtained for the new toilet block provision at Portballintrae, a Mr. Keery had submitted an objection to the siting of the building regarding loss of view from his property.

Mr. Keery had offered to pay the costs of re-siting the building to achieve partial restoration of the existing view.

Following discussion it was recommended that Council accept Mr. Keery's offer, subject to full recovery of costs.

5.0 LEISURE SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

5.1 Windyhall Community Association – Environmental Scheme

Windyhall Community Association had requested permission to landscape an area of waste ground owned by Council at the corner of the Windyhall playing field complex.

The Association had received some funding for the project from Leader II Programme.

Council is recommended to agree, in principle, to the Association carrying out this project.

5.2 Kilrea Sports Hall

It was agreed that the report on the tenders for the construction of Kilrea Sports Hall be considered at the November meeting of Council.

5.3 Ballysally Community Association – Play Area

Council is recommended to agree to lease land from the Housing Executive for the provision of a new junior play area at Daneshill Road, Ballysally

and be responsible for future maintenance and insurance of the facility.

Ballysally Community Association would fund the construction of the play area, safety surfacing and fencing.

5.4 Lower Bann and Lough Neagh Pilot Book

Recommended:

That Council contribute £500 to the River Bann and Lough Neagh Association towards the cost of producing a detailed Pilot Book for Lough Neagh and the Lower Bann.

5.5 Bushfoot Golf Club – Right of Way

Committee noted that, following discussions, Bushfoot Golf Club had agreed to Council asserting the original right of way from the Golf Club to the path adjacent to the River Bush. Ownership of the land would be transferred to Council.

The Residents' Association had agreed to undertake the work required to re-establish the right of way (approximate cost £8,000 - £10,000) with assistance from the landfill tax fund.

Council is recommended to agree to proceed with this scheme.

5.6 Footpath Link from Caldwell Park to Magheramenagh Lane, Portrush

Council had been asked by the Planning Service to comment on a planning application concerning a footpath link from Caldwell Park to Magheramenagh Lane in Portrush.

The developer was seeking removal of a condition requiring the provision of a footpath link from Caldwell Park to Mageramenagh Lane.

Consideration was given to information on this topic, as detailed in the report.

Following a full discussion it was recommended that Council support the retention of the planning condition regarding provision of the footpath link.

5.7 Coleraine Leisure Centre - Fitness Suite

Consideration was given to quotations, as detailed in the report, from Council's panel of architects for the design of the extension to the Health Suite at Coleraine Leisure Centre.

Recommended:

That GM Design Associates, who had submitted the lowest quotation, be appointed to undertake the design of the extension.

5.8 Waterworld – Bowling Provision

Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, regarding a proposal to provide a six lane ten pin bowling complex at the Piazza area at Waterworld.

The approximate cost of the installation was £165,000.

A full discussion ensued on this topic including the consequent unavailability of the Piazza area to Ballywillan Drama Group for their annual music show in January each year should the bowling complex be provided.

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

That Council proceed with the provision of the ten pin bowling facility at an approximate cost of £165,000.

Every effort would be made to assist Ballywillan Drama Group to obtain an alternative venue for their 2002 production.

5.9 For Information

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

- (a) Millennium Events;
- (b) Crescent Toilets, Portstewart – Vandalism Incidents.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT

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

Matters arising:

6.1 Legal Proceedings
The Pollution Control and
Local Government (N.I.)
Order 1978 – Domestic
Noise Nuisance

It was proposed by Councillor Barbour, seconded by Alderman Mrs. Armitage and agreed:

That this item be considered “In Committee” at the end of the Meeting.

6.2 Carbon Monoxide Road Show

Committee noted that in conjunction with the Coleraine and District Home Accident Committee the Environmental Health Department had arranged for the Department of Trade and Industry’s mobile road show on the dangers of carbon monoxide to visit the Borough.

The road show would visit Coleraine, Garvagh and Kilrea on 16th/17th November, 2000.

SPECIAL MEETING

PLANNING COMMITTEE

9th November, 2000.

Convened: To consider improvements to the consultative process with Planning Service.

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

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) W. J. Watt
W. J. McClure

Councillors

E. T. Black (Mrs.) W. Mathews
J. M. Bradley E. M. Mullan
O. M. Church (Mrs.) E. O'Hara
J. J. Dallat R. D. Stewart

Officers in

Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Environmental Health, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: The Mayor, Alderman Mrs. Armitage, Councillors Bolton, McClarty and McPherson

The Chairman welcomed Mr. P. W. Fleming, BDP Planning, who was in attendance to address Committee on the consultation process between Planning Service and District Councils in relation to planning applications (Report previously supplied).

Mr. Fleming elaborated on the contents of the Report, in particular the possible improvements within the constraints of existing legislation, which could improve the consultation process.

The suggested possible improvements were as follows:

1. Integration of policy – Planning Service to take into account to a greater degree, in their consideration of planning applications, instances where planning policy appears to conflict with other government policies e.g. rural development policy.
2. Appointments/Site Visit – Planning Service should offer appointment/site visit to each applicant on receipt of an application.
3. Information – Address of agent should be included with the planning application schedule.
4. Consideration/presentation – Planning Service could provide appropriate presentations for significant applications to assist consideration by the Council

(e.g. display of plan, elevations and photographs).

5. Newspaper advertisement – Sub-group in the Council to review the published schedule of applications and highlight, to Planning Service, key/major applications of particular interest to the Council. Published schedule to be forwarded to each Committee member on a weekly basis.
6. Roads Service - Roads Service representative to attend Planning Committee Meeting where the only or the key reason for refusal is a Roads Service consideration.
7. Programme – Schedule of planning applications to be provided well in advance of Council Meeting.

In addition the following possible suggestions were put by members:

1. Information relating to planning applications to be available on the website.
2. Each planning application to be coded with initials of officer dealing with same.
3. A copy of the Rural Planning Strategy for Northern Ireland should be supplied to all members.
4. Applicants/Agents should be informed of the progress of the application including advice on the opinion being brought to Council.
5. Files in respect of all applications being considered should be available at meetings of Committee.
6. Planning Service should ensure that there is clear pre-planning for layout and design in those development sites involving numerous dwelling units.

Following discussion it was agreed:

That the Town Clerk and Chief Executive write to the appropriate officers within the Planning Service requesting that the suggested improvements be considered.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Fleming for attending.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

14th November, 2000.

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

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)	W. H. King
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.) (Items 2.3 – 4.0)	W. J. McClure W. J. Watt

Councillors

D. D. Barbour	D. McClarty
E. T. Black (Mrs.)	R. A. McPherson
R. S. Bolton	W. Mathews
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	E. M. Mullan
W. T. Creelman (Items 2.1 – 4.0)	(Items 2.1 – 4.0) E. O'Hara
J. J. Dallat (Items 2.16 – 4.0)	R. D. Stewart

Also in Attendance: Representatives from the Planning Service –
Mr. G. Scott and Miss J. McMullan

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

Apology: Councillor Bradley

1.0 WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the last meeting being held in Cloonavin prior to the move to the new civic headquarters.

The Mayor invited members to the Parlour following the meeting to mark this historic occasion.

2.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A list of seventy-four applications was considered (previously supplied).

Applications Deferred from Previous Meeting

- 2.1 Application No. D1
C/2000/0488/F
Erection of two-storey building
containing 3 no. single bedroom
dwelling and two garages at
1 Crocknamack Street, Portrush
for Mr. C. Gardner
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was proposed by Alderman Ms. Alexander and seconded by Councillor Stewart:
- That the application be referred to the Planning Service Management Board for decision.
- On being put to the Meeting the proposal was lost, four members voting in favour and eight members voting against.
- 2.2 Application No. D2
C/2000/0647/F
First floor side extension and
alterations to dwelling at 22
Ratheane Avenue, Mountsandel
Road, Coleraine for
Mr. I. Murrery
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- It was agreed that the application be approved.
- 2.3 Application No. D3
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 Councillor Mrs. Black and seconded by Alderman Watt:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
- On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, twelve members voting in favour and one member voting against.

New Applications

- 2.4 Application No. 2
 C/1999/0317
 Restoration of existing landfill
 site and the provision of a civic
 amenity site incorporating
 recycling skips and the erection
 of a single-storey attendant
 accommodation at Kilrea Landfill
 Site, Lisnagrot Road, Kilrea 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.

- 2.5 Application No. 10
 C/2000/0649/O
Dwelling house and garage at
Shinny Road, Croaghan,
Coleraine for Mr. H. McIntyre
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.
- 2.6 Application No. 11
 C/2000/0664/O
Site for dwelling at 68
Drumcroone Road, Coleraine for
G. Connor
- 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.
- 2.7 Application No. 18
 C/2000/0707/O
Site for replacement dwelling on
land adjacent to No. 54
Newmills Road, Coleraine for
 Mr. E. Irwin
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Alderman McClure, seconded by Councillor Stewart and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.
- 2.8 Application No. 19
 C/2000/0708/F
Alteration of shop front at
8 Church Street, Coleraine for
Holland & Barrett
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.
- 2.9 Application No. 24
 C/2000/0724/O
Proposed site for dwelling on
site at Moneybrannon Road,
Aghadowey, Coleraine for
 Mr. J. Arthur
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Church, seconded by Alderman Watt and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.

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| 2.10 | <u>Application No. 25</u>
<u>C/2000/0725/F</u>
<u>Erection of housing for electrical generator to serve supermarket at Greenmount Supermarket, 3/5 Greenmount Avenue, Limavady Road, Coleraine for Mr. R. Henderson</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>Reported that due to outstanding environmental health issues the application would be deferred for one month.</p> |
| 2.11 | <u>Application No. 26</u>
<u>C/2000/0729/O</u>
<u>Site for dwelling adjacent to No. 88 Mullaghinch Road, Aghadowey for Mr. J. J. Kelly</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>The application had now been withdrawn.</p> |
| 2.12 | <u>Application No. 30</u>
<u>C/2000/0735/F</u>
<u>10 no. apartments, 1 no. shop, 4 no. bedsits (Golf Hotel use), (3 previous individual submissions) and alterations and extensions to Bertha's Bar at 6 Sea Road, Castlerock for Mr. S. Lyle</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.</p> |
| 2.13 | <u>Application No. 31</u>
<u>C/2000/0739/F</u>
<u>Three detached bungalows with detached garages at Sites 38/43/45 Mussenden Gardens, Articlave for G. Tanner</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that if the application was not withdrawn within two weeks it would be refused.</p> |
| 2.14 | <u>Application No. 33</u>
<u>C/2000/0741/O</u>
<u>Site of dwelling and garage at Boveedy Road, Boveedy, Kilrea (south of No. 4 Dullaghy Road, Boveedy) for Mr. R. Bradley</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Church, seconded by Councillor Bolton and agreed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.</p> |

- 2.15 Application No. 34
 C/2000/0742/O
Dwelling and garage opposite
No. 65 Mettican Road, Garvagh
for Mr. D. Turner
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Alderman Watt, seconded by Alderman McClure and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
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- 2.16 Application No. 36
 C/2000/0744/O
Site for dwelling on land
adjacent to Ballyhome Primary
School, Ballyhome Road,
Portrush for Mr. A. McAuley
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Black, seconded by Alderman Watt and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
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- 2.17 Application No. 38
 C/2000/0747/A
Erection of externally illuminated
advertising hoarding at the Fire
Station, Lodge Road, Coleraine
for the Fire Authority for N.I.
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was proposed by Alderman McClure and seconded by Councillor Stewart:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
- On being put to the Meeting the proposal failed to carry, four members voting in favour and seven members voting against.
- It was further proposed by Alderman King, seconded by The Mayor and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for two weeks to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.

- 2.18 Application No. 39
 C/2000/0748/O
Site for dwelling house on land
adjacent to No. 5 Ballyagan
Road, Garvagh for Mr. T. Reid
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.
- It was proposed by Councillor Bolton, seconded by Councillor Dallat and agreed:
- That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.
- 2.19 Application No. 41
 C/2000/0751/O
Site for dwelling on land at Glen
Road, Garvagh for Dr. R. Mullan
- 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.
- 2.20 Application No. 43
 C/2000/0753/O
Site for replacement dwelling at
Dundooan Road (opposite
Kiltinney Road), Kiltinney Beg
Townland, Coleraine for
Mr. A. McCloy
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period. The application would be refused.
- 2.21 Application No. 45
 C/2000/0760/O
Dwelling and garage at
Drumsaragh Road, Kilrea
(behind No. 48) for
Mr. C. McAllister
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
- 2.22 Application No. 47
 C/2000/0763/F
Alterations and extensions to
dwelling at 34 Agherton Road,
Portstewart for Mr. and Mrs. T.
O'Neill
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
- It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.
- 2.23 Application No. 48
 C/2000/0766/O
Dwelling and garage at Grove
Road, Swatragh, Maghera for
D. McKeague
- 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.

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| 2.24 | <u>Application No. 50</u>
<u>C/2000/0768/O</u>
<u>Site for replacement dwelling at</u>
<u>15 Mayoghill Road, Garvagh,</u>
<u>Coleraine for Mr. J. Stewart</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.</p> |
| 2.25 | <u>Application No. 52</u>
<u>C/2000/0772/O</u>
<u>Site for dwelling (renewal) on</u>
<u>land at Magheramore Road,</u>
<u>Garvagh for Mr. White</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.</p> |
| 2.26 | <u>Application No. 54</u>
<u>C/2000/0775/O</u>
<u>Site for dwelling at site adjacent</u>
<u>to Ballyhackett Riding School for</u>
<u>Mr. M. O'Kane</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.</p> |
| 2.27 | <u>Application No. 63</u>
<u>C/2000/0793/F</u>
<u>Erection of 4 no. apartments</u>
<u>(redevelopment) at 45</u>
<u>Portstewart Road, Coleraine for</u>
<u>A M C Developments</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.</p> |
| 2.28 | <u>Application No. 68</u>
<u>C/2000/0800/F</u>
<u>Provision of 7 no. additional</u>
<u>static caravan sites to existing</u>
<u>caravan park at Bellemont</u>
<u>Caravan Park, adjacent to 10</u>
<u>Islandtasserty Road, Coleraine</u>
<u>for Mr. G. Auld</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.</p> |

2.29 General Matters

- (a) Development – Old brickworks, Aghadowey;
- (b) Building – Agherton Village, Portstewart;
- (c) Encroachment – Development/Northern Counties Site, Mark Street, Portrush;
- (d) Apartment development – Seaport Avenue, Portballintrae;
- (e) Enforcement Action – Development/ West Strand Road, Portrush – Seaport Investments;
- (f) Removal of mature trees/hedgerow – Caldwell Park, Portrush;
- (g) Neon sign – Donaghy’s Chemist, The Promenade, Portstewart;
- (h) Height of building – Bayview Hotel, Portballintrae.

3.0 CONGRATULATIONS

The Chairman extended congratulations and best wishes to Mr. G. Scott on his new position with the Planning Appeals Commission. Members asked to be associated with these remarks.

Mr. Scott thanked members for their kind remarks.

4.0 ARCHDEACON KEN CLARKE

It was agreed that the Town Clerk and Chief Executive write a letter congratulating Archdeacon Ken Clarke, St. Patrick’s Parish Church, Coleraine on his appointment as Bishop of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh.

**5.0 APPLICATION NO. C/00/0193
CHANGE OF USE FROM AMENITY AREA TO
DECANT SITES AT BEECH DRIVE/MAPLE DRIVE/
BEECH AVENUE AND THE GREEN AREA AT
LABURNUM PLACE, COLERAINE**

Read letter from the Planning Service, Chief Executive’s Office, regarding the above application which had been referred to the Management Board for consideration.

Following discussion between the Planning Service and NI Housing Executive an amended proposal had been readvertised and neighbours renotified. No additional written representations had been received.

The Management Board had now fully investigated the case and had concluded that planning permission should be granted.

POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

21st November, 2000.

Present: Councillor D. D. Barbour, in the Chair
The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)
(Items 9.0 – 26.0)
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) W. J. McClure
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.) W. J. Watt
W. H. King

Councillors

E. T. Black (Mrs.) G. L. McLaughlin
R. S. Bolton R. A. McPherson
J. M. Bradley W. Mathews
(Items 2.1 – 26.0) E. M. Mullan
O. M. Church (Mrs.) (Items 1.0 – 9.0)
W. T. Creelman E. O'Hara
J. J. Dallat R. D. Stewart
N. F. Hillis

Officers in

Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services, Head of Development Services (Items 1.0 – 4.1), Rural and Community Business Project Officer (Items 2.4 – 4.1), Finance Officer (Items 1.0 – 2.6), Personnel Officer (Items 1.0 – 8.0), Policy Development Officer, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apology: Councillor McClarty

1.0 WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed members to the first meeting of the Policy and Development Committee in the new civic offices.

2.0 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

2.1 Rural and Community Business Following discussion it was proposed by Project Officer Councillor Mullan and seconded by Alderman

Ms. Alexander:

That the post of Rural and Community Business Project Officer be made permanent from 27th November, 2000 and Ms. K. McFaul be confirmed in this permanent post.

On being put to the meeting the proposal was carried, sixteen members voting in favour.

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

Revenue A/C - £886,385.25

Capital A/C - £351,932.36

2.3 Capital Programme
2001 – 2006

Committee noted the contents of the Capital Programme 2001 – 2006 (previously supplied) as amended following the October meeting of Council.

2.4 Annual Report and
Accounts 1999/2000

supplied).

Consideration was given to the 1999/2000 Annual Report and Accounts (previously

The Finance Officer elaborated on the contents of the report and answered members' questions.

The Director of Leisure Services would provide information at the December meeting of the Leisure and Environment Committee regarding the decline in numbers using Coleraine Leisure Centre.

Personnel

2.5 New Appointment

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

Chief Executive's Department

Tourism and Marketing Assistant (New Post) –
Miss V. E. Hunter

2.6 37 Hour Working Week

Committee noted information, as detailed in the report, regarding the commencement of a 37 hour working week for certain salaried staff.

3.0 LAND AND PROPERTY

The Report of the Principal Administrative Officer on Land and Property was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

3.1 Shop Unit – North Pier -

Portrush Harbour

The Valuation and Lands Agency had reached agreement with the tenant, Mr. W. Verner, for a new lease of the shop unit at North Pier, Portrush Harbour for the three year period from 1st January, 2001 at an annual rent of £1,550.

Council is recommended to agree this revised rental.

3.2 Proposed Hotel

The Valuation and Lands Agency had reached

Accommodation – McLaughlin's agreement with Mr. D. McLaughlin regarding

Bar, Ballyreagh Road, Portrush the premium to lift the restrictive covenant on an area of land comprising 123.4 m² to facilitate the proposed Travel Lodge.

Council is recommended to accept the premium of £15,000.

3.3 Land at the Rear of Portmore

Messrs. McKay Property Services had requested Road, Portstewart permission to:

- (a) divert a new storm sewer across land owned by Council into the sea;
- (b) make a new connection to a foul sewer manhole already located on Council land.

Council is recommended to grant permission subject to agreement on an appropriate premium to be assessed by the Valuation and Lands Agency.

3.4 The Market Yard – Coleraine

Reported that Roads Service had requested permission to use the Market Yard for temporary car parking over the Christmas period, as in previous years.

Council is recommended to agree.

4.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

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

Matters arising:

4.1 Leader+ and the Future of The Chairman welcomed Mrs. A. Clyde, Chair of COLLAGE The Coleraine Local Action Group for Enterprise (COLLAGE) and Ms. K. McFaul, Rural and Community Business Project Officer, who were in attendance to address Committee on the new Leader+ Programme and the existing Leader II initiatives.

Committee noted that the new round of funding for rural development would be available under a new Leader+ initiative. A submission had been made to the Department in the form of a business plan/proposal based on a regional approach (paper circulated).

The representatives elaborated on this topic and gave a resumé of existing Leader II initiatives (COLLAGE Annual Report 1999-2000 circulated).

Discussion ensued during which the representatives answered members' questions.

Council is recommended to continue to support the proposed regional approach regarding Leader+.

The Chairman thanked Mrs. Clyde and Ms. McFaul for attending after which they withdrew.

5.0 NOTICE OF MOTION

The undernoted Notice of Motion had been submitted by Councillor Mathews:

“That Coleraine Borough Council is extremely concerned at the proposal to increase the regional rate by 8% in the next financial year.

Council believes that this increase is an unfair demand on the rates and shows little regard for the ability of individuals to pay.

Council resolves to write to the First Minister, Deputy First Minister and the Minister for Finance and Personnel to inform them of this concern.”

Councillor Mathews proposed and spoke on the above Motion which was seconded by
Alderman Watt.

Following discussion it was unanimously recommended that Council adopt the Motion.

6.0 ACUTE HOSPITALS REVIEW

Recommended:

That a Special Meeting of Council be held at
7.00 p.m. on Thursday, 7th December,
2000 to consider the Acute Hospitals
Review.

7.0 NORTHERN IRELAND EXECUTIVE - DRAFT PROGRAMME FOR GOVERNMENT

Consideration was given to the Northern Ireland Executive’s Draft Programme for
Government (previously supplied).

Following discussion it was agreed that the draft programme be considered at the
December meeting of Committee.

8.0 CONSULTATION PAPER ON SCHOOL PERFORMANCE TABLES

Consideration was given to the Department of Education's consultation paper (previously supplied) on the future of School Performance Tables.

Following a full discussion it was recommended that Council advise the Department that it was not convinced of the value of school league performance tables.

9.0 REVIEW BODY ON "POST PRIMARY EDUCATION"

Consideration was given to a letter (previously supplied) from the Review Body on "Post Primary Education" inviting Council's comments on the issues raised by the review.

Following discussion it was agreed that this topic be considered at the Special Meeting of Council to be held on Thursday, 7th December, 2000.

10.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY CONFERENCE - 30TH NOVEMBER, 2000

Reported that a conference on Community Safety organised by the Chief Executives' Forum would be held on Thursday, 30th November, 2000 at the Ross Park Hotel, Kells, Co. Antrim.

Recommended:

That Councillors Barbour, Bradley and Mrs. Church, the Town Clerk and Chief Executive and Policy Development Officer attend this conference.

11.0 HOUSING ESTATES PROJECT

Reported that the Housing Estates Project, which was funded by Coleraine Borough Partnership, had enquired about the possibility of acquiring two of the portacabins at Council's former offices for use by community groups at Drumadragh and Moneydig.

Following discussion it was recommended:

That Council decline the request as the portacabins were required for use at other Council facilities.

12.0 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNCILLORS - N.I. REGION - CONFEDERATION OF EUROPEAN COUNCILLORS

Reported that correspondence had been received from the regional secretary of the National Association of Councillors – N.I. Region regarding the establishment of a Confederation of European Councillors.

Council was asked to nominate a member to attend the inaugural meeting of the Confederation to be held in Brussels on 29th January, 2001.

Following discussion it was recommended:

That Councillor McLaughlin be nominated to attend the inaugural meeting of the Confederation.

13.0 CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY

Reported that the Department of the Environment had commissioned a public survey of more than 10,000 residents in the Province on behalf of District Councils. The survey which would be carried out by Belfast based Research and Evaluation Services (RES) had been compiled in accordance with proposals developed by the Best Value Customer Survey Development Group.

This Group had comprised Council officials, Councillor representation, D.o.E. officials and other interested parties.

Noted.

14.0 NORTHERN IRELAND

PLACE-NAME PROJECT

Read letter from the Northern Ireland Place-Name Project seeking Council's support for their proposed funding application to the Heritage Lottery Fund for the compilation of a data base of townland names.

Council is recommended to support this project.

15.0 NORTHERN IRELAND ELECTRICITY

Read letter from the Managing Director of Northern Ireland Electricity advising of the establishment of a hotline number for use by elected representatives.

Northern Ireland Electricity's local Area Manager would be attending the December meeting of the Leisure and Environment Committee.

Noted.

16.0 COLERAINE HOSPITAL

Read letter from the Chief Executive, Causeway Health and Social Services Trust in reply to Council's letter seeking clarification on the extent of the lands at Coleraine Hospital being offered for sale.

The Elderly Care Unit with 36 beds was being replaced in the new hospital with appropriate rehabilitation services for all in-patients. Community rehabilitation services would be provided in localised accessible venues.

Noted.

**17.0 COLERAINE CITIZENS' ADVICE
BUREAU**

Tabled:

Annual Report 1999 – 2000.

**18.0 NORTHERN IRELAND HUMAN
RIGHTS COMMISSION**

Tabled:

- (a) First Annual Report 1999/2000;
- (b) Strategic Plan 2000 – 2002.

19.0 RENT ASSESSMENT PANEL

Tabled:

Annual Report 1999 – 2000.

**20.0 NORTHERN IRELAND ASSOCIATION
OF CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAUX**

Tabled:

Annual Review 1999 – 2000.

21.0 ENTERPRISE ULSTER

Tabled:

Annual Report 1999/2000.

22.0 NEW OPPORTUNITIES FUND

Tabled:

Annual Report and Accounts 1999/2000.

23.0 SOLACE CONFERENCE -
19TH – 20TH OCTOBER, 2000

The Chairman's report on his attendance at the SOLACE Conference – 19th – 20th October, 2000 was circulated to each member.

24.0 CRIMINAL JUSTICE REVIEW
IMPLEMENTATION TEAM

Reported that the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland had announced that Government was beginning to prepare legislation and a detailed implementation plan for publication by April 2001 regarding the Review of the Criminal Justice System in Northern Ireland.

Noted.

25.0 GENERAL EXCHEQUER GRANT

Reference was made to Government's recent announcement regarding an increase in the General Exchequer Grant for the Province.

It was recommended that Council write to the Minister for the Environment enquiring if Council would benefit from this grant increase.

26.0 NEW CIVIC HEADQUARTERS

Members commented favourably on the new civic headquarters and appreciated that a number of outstanding matters such as heating in the Council Chamber and the audio system still required attention.

