

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of Coleraine Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on TUESDAY the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2004 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 – 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2004
  - 1.2 Special Meeting - 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2004
2. Committee Reports (enclosed):
  - 2.1 Leisure and Environment Committee – 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2004
  - 2.2 Planning Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2004
  - 2.3 Policy and Development Committee – 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2004
3. Roads Service - Northern Division - Roads Report 2004 - 2005 (enclosed)  
Dr. A. McC. Murray, Divisional Roads Manager, will be in attendance.
4. The undernoted Notice of Motion has been submitted by Alderman B. Leonard:  
  
“This Council calls on the Department of Social Development to make the regulations on Housing Association rental, purchase or part rental/purchase schemes more sensitive and applicable to the Portstewart area. Council is aware of various regulations that make it difficult for Associations to deliver schemes and thinks that Departmental action of the kind proposed will help alleviate a growing problem.”

5. The undernoted Notice of Motion has been submitted by Councillor E. Mullan:  
  
"This Council calls on the Minister for Social Development to establish, as a matter of urgency, a working group to take forward the recommendations of the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee report into the provision of Social Housing in Northern Ireland, which found that the lack of adequate provision is at crisis stage."
6. Tenders
  - (a) Architectural Services - East Strand Amenity Block (Report enclosed)
  - (b) Coleraine Marina
7. Consultation List (enclosed)
8. Correspondence
9. Documents for Sealing

**Enclosed for Information:**

- (a) Minutes of the Northern Health and Social Services Council dated 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2004
- (b) Northern Investing for Health Partnership Health Improvement Plan (HIP) - 2004/05 Update
- (c) Chief Executive's Report on International City/County Management Association 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

To: Each Member of Council.

19<sup>th</sup> November, 2004.

## **COLERAINE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Minutes of proceedings of Coleraine Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2004 at 7.00 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**

E. T. Black (Mrs.)  
(Items 2.2.1 – 13.0)

W. T. Creelman  
B. Leonard

### **Councillors**

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)  
O. M. Church (Mrs.)  
J. J. Dallat  
T. J. Deans  
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)  
N. F. Hillis  
E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)  
W. A. King  
D. McClarty  
(Items 2.2.1 – 13.0)

G. L. McLaughlin  
A. McQuillan  
E. M. Mullan  
(Items 2.2.1 – 13.0)  
R. D. Stewart  
W. J. Watt  
(Items 2.2.1 – 13.0)

### **Officers in Attendance:**

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

**Apologies:** Alderman Mrs. Armitage and Councillors Barbour and Bradley

## **1.0 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2004 and the Special Meetings of 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2004, 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2004 and 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2004 were confirmed and signed.

Matters arising:

1.1 Council Meeting – 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2004  
Portballintrae Regeneration Proposals (6.0)

Councillor Ms. Alexander requested and members agreed that it be recorded that she had made the following proposal at the Council Meeting:

That Council prioritise the provision of a community centre for Portballintrae.

1.2 Special Meeting  
11<sup>th</sup> October, 2004

Consideration was given to the draft Response in connection with the Reform of Domestic Rating System in Northern Ireland.

It was agreed that this form the basis for Council's response.

## 2.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

2.1 Leisure and Environment  
Committee

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

2.2 Planning Committee

The Chairman, Councillor King, moved the adoption of the Planning Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Mrs. Church.

Matters arising:

2.2.1 Notice of Motion

The undernoted Notice of Motion had been referred to Council by the Planning Committee:

"That the Planning Committee rescind its decision of 14<sup>th</sup> 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."

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reminded members of the background to the Notice of Motion.

Mr. B. O'Neill, applicant and Mr. A. Irwin, GM Design Associates, addressed Council and described the proposal.

Dr. P. Gilmore addressed Council and voiced objections to the application in relation to density and height of the dwellings.

Following discussion the Motion was put to the Meeting and on a request for a recorded vote the members voted thus:

**For:** Alderman Leonard  
Councillors Ms. Alexander, Dallat,  
McClarty, McLaughlin and Mullan (6)

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

**Abstention:** The Mayor (1)

The Motion was lost, six members voting in favour and twelve members voting against.

The Committee Report was then adopted.

### **3.0 POST PRIMARY EDUCATION REVIEW**

The Mayor welcomed Mr. G. Topping, Chief Executive, North Eastern Education and Library Board who was in attendance to address Council on the Post Primary Education Review.

Mr. Topping presented a summary of the Board's report on the Review highlighting the following key issues:

- Schools in Coleraine Borough Council area – Facts and figures
- Demography
- Population Projections
- Secondary: Grammar Ratios
- Performance comparisons
- Curricular Disparity
- Costello Report
- Entitlement Framework
- Admission Arrangements – Proposed Changes
- Implementation

A full discussion ensued during which Mr. Topping answered various members' questions.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Topping for his informative presentation.

### **4.0 COMMITTEE REPORT**

#### **4.1 Policy and Development Committee**

The Vice Chairman, Councillor Deans, moved the adoption of the Policy and Development Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor King.

Matters arising:

#### **4.1.1 Northern Area Plan - Postponement of Publication**

Consideration was given to the Town Clerk and Chief Executive's Report on the Northern Area Plan – Postponement of Publication (previously supplied).

The letter from the Chief Executive of the Planning Service and the related press release from the Minister for the Environment, Angela Smith, indicated that in an effort to optimize staff resources to address the considerable backlog of work, in the area of development control, other areas of planning service activity were being put 'on hold' for a period of months.

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

1. That Council make representation to the Minister for the Environment or the Secretary of State on behalf of the four Councils in the area.
2. That Council seek Senior Counsel's opinion regarding the possibility of initiating a judicial review.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive was asked to include Community Planning on the next agenda for the Balanced Communities Review Group.

The Committee Report was then adopted.

## 5.0 TENDERS

### 5.1 Antrim Gardens, Portrush

Consideration was given to the Director of Leisure Services' Report on Tenders – Antrim Gardens, Portrush (circulated to each member).

Nine tenders had been received as follows:

It was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by Councillor Stewart and agreed:  That Council accept the lowest tender	1.	P Scullion Construction Ltd.	£255,487.94
	2.	Kennedy Quarries Ltd.	£261,059.00
	3.	T D McKane & Son	£261,772.00
	4.	Newtownstewart Construction	£279,970.00
	5.	W & H Alexander	£286,962.17
	6.	R J Maxwell	£297,765.00
	7.	Boyd Landscapes	£299,144.70
	8.	Patrick Bradley	£319,350.00
	9.	B Mullan & Sons	£387,880.00

from P Scullion Construction Ltd. in

the sum of £255,487.94, as recommended by the Consultants, subject to confirmation of grant offer.

5.2 Extension to Kilrea Town Hall

Consideration was given to the Director of Technical Services' Report on Tenders – Extension to Kilrea Town Hall (previously supplied).

Six tenders had been received as follows:

It was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by

Councillor Watt and agreed:

That Council accept the lowest tender

from J Arthur (Joinery) Coleraine in

1.	J Arthur (Joinery) Coleraine	£16,250.00
2.	Higgins Construction, Garvagh	£23,975.00
3.	J S Dunlop Ltd, Ballymoney	£24,964.00
4.	S M Oliver & Sons, Coleraine	£29,112.00
5.	Duneane Contracts, Randalstown	£29,750.00
6.	Joyce Contractors, Randalstown	£35,187.73

the sum of £16,250.00.

**6.0 CONSULTATION LIST**

The following consultation papers had been received and were available for members who wished to consider making a response:

- (i) Department of the Environment – “Proposed Amendments to The Motor Vehicle Testing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 and The Goods Vehicles Testing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004”  
Comments due by: 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2004
- (ii) Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland – Consultative Document : “Proposals for Control of Major Accident Hazards (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005”  
Comments due by: 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2004
- (iii) Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety – “Residential Homes - Registration & Inspection Standards”  
Comments due by: 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2004
- (iv) Department of the Environment – “Proposed Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999”  
Comments due by: 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2004

**7.0 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Read letter from the Minister with responsibility for Education in reply to Council's letter regarding autism and the purchase of the Middletown site.

The Minister assured Council that every effort was being made to progress the opening of the centre and it was envisaged that the centre would officially open in the autumn of 2006.

Members noted the contents of the letter and it was suggested that the Head of Development Services ascertain what help could be given to local groups to obtain maximum benefit from the centre.

## **8.0 FREEDOM CEREMONY**

Read letters of thanks from The Salvation Army and The Society of St. Vincent de Paul regarding the recent presentation of the Freedom of the Borough.

Noted.

## **9.0 51<sup>ST</sup> WORLD PLOUGHING CONTEST**

Read letter of thanks from the Chairman of the Northern Ireland Ploughing Association for Council's generosity during the 51<sup>st</sup> World Ploughing Contest.

Noted.

## **10.0 CONFERENCES/SEMINAR**

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive informed members of the following Conferences/Seminar:

- The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors in Northern Ireland Annual Conference "Rural Housing – Encourage, Curtail or Condemn" – Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2004 – Canal Court Hotel, Newry;
- NILGA Seminar "Green Procurement in Northern Ireland – Enabling Local Government's Role" – Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2004 – Island Civic Centre, Lisburn;
- The National Association of Councillors (N.I.) Region – Review of Public Administration Conference – Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2004 – Seagoe Hotel, Portadown.

Members interested in attending any of these conferences/seminar were requested to notify the Administrative Assistant.

## **DOCUMENTS TABLED**

- (a) Co-Ownership Housing – Annual Report and Accounts 2003/2004;
- (b) FOLD Annual Review and Accounts 2003-2004;
- (c) Department for Regional Development – Rural Transport Fund Annual Review 2003/2004;
- (d) Fisheries Conservancy Board for Northern Ireland – Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2003;
- (e) Report of the Coleraine District Policing Partnership Public Meeting of 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2004.



## 12.0 DATES FOR DIARY

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive asked members to note the following dates:

- CCTV Workshop – Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2004;
- Council Photograph – Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2004 (prior to Council Meeting).

## 13.0 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:

### Cemetery Titles

Grant of Right of Burial – Deeds Register  
Nos. 3049 – 3058 (inclusive):

Agherton	1
Ballywillan	3
Coleraine	4
Kilrea	-
Portstewart	2

Advanced Deeds – Register Nos. 0092 –  
0094 (inclusive):

Agherton	-
Ballywillan	-
Coleraine	1
Portstewart	2

## **SPECIAL MEETING**

**28<sup>th</sup> October, 2004.**

**Convened:** To consider presentations on proposals for Water Reform by Mr. David Sterling, Deputy Secretary, Department for Regional Development and Mr. Bumper Graham, NIPSA on behalf of the Coalition Against Water Charges.

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

### **Aldermen**

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

### **Councillors**

D. D. Barbour	G. L. McLaughlin
J. J. Dallat	E. M. Mullan
T. J. Deans	R. D. Stewart
N. F. Hillis	W. J. Watt
W. A. King	

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

**Apologies:** Alderman Leonard, Councillors Ms. Alexander, Mrs. Church and Mrs. Johnston.

## **1.0 NORTHERN IRELAND AMENITY COUNCIL - SUPERVALU "BEST KEPT" AWARDS - 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2004**

The Mayor informed members that the following awards had been won by areas in the Borough:

- (i) "Small town" category – Portrush.
- (ii) "Small housing" category - Moneydig Park, Garvagh.

Congratulations were extended to all those involved in the preparations for the competition.

## **2.0 WELCOME**

The Mayor welcomed Mr. David Sterling, Deputy Secretary, Department for Regional Development and Mr. Bumper Graham, NIPSA to the meeting.

### **3.0 WATER REFORM - PROPOSALS**

Mr. Sterling presented an overview of the Department for Regional Development's proposals for water reform in Northern Ireland and elaborated on the following matters:

- (a) Background information
- (b) Overall aim of water reform
- (c) The need for investment
- (d) Proposed changes
- (e) Financial implications for ratepayers
- (f) Metering
- (g) Economic and consumer regulation
- (h) Consumer representation

Discussion ensued on this topic during which Mr. Sterling answered various members' questions and noted comments.

Mr. Bumper Graham then addressed Council to outline NIPSA's response to the Minister's proposals (document previously supplied), viz:

- ( ) Consultation process
- ( ) Investment need
- ( ) Reform options
- ( ) Staffing matters

During the debate which followed Mr. Graham responded to queries posed by members and expanded on various aspects of his presentation.

The Chairman thanked Messrs. Sterling and Graham for their informative presentations.

### **3.0 COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO THE PROPOSALS**

In response to the Mayor's invitation for comments on the information which had been presented, it was proposed by Councillor Mullan, seconded by Councillor Dallat and agreed:

That Council indicates to the Minister its opposition to the introduction of separate water charges.

## LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

2<sup>nd</sup> November, 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.)

### Councillors

D. D. Barbour (Items 1.0 - 2.4)	N. F. Hillis
J. M. Bradley (Items 2.1 - 8.0)	E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)
O. M. Church (Mrs.)	D. McClarty
J. J. Dallat	G. L. McLaughlin
T. J. Deans (Items 1.0 - 2.4)	E. M. Mullan (Items 1.0 - 2.4)
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)	W. J. Watt (Items 1.0 - 2.4)

### **Officers in Attendance:**

Director of Corporate Services (Items 3.0 - 8.0), Director of Technical Services, Director of Environmental Health, Principal Building Control Officer (Items 1.0 - 3.9), Principal Environmental Health Officer (Items 1.0 - 2.4), Senior Technical Services Officer (Items 1.0 - 3.9), Leisure Services Officer - Facilities, Leisure Services Officer - Services, Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

**Apologies:** Alderman Leonard, Councillors Ms. Alexander, King and Stewart and Director of Leisure Services

## **1.0 NORTHERN GROUP SYSTEMS (ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH)**

The Chairman welcomed Mr. A. Morgan, Director, who was in attendance to address Committee on the work of Northern Group Systems (Annual Report 2003/2004 previously supplied).

Mr. Morgan thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address Committee and presented the report elaborating on the role, remit and functions and funding of Northern Group Systems in the delivery of the public health agenda in the region.

A full discussion ensued during which Mr. Morgan answered various members' questions.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Morgan for attending after which he withdrew.

## 2.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT

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

Matters arising:

### 2.1 Consultation on Proposed Legislation - The Unauthorised Encampments (N.I.) Order 2004

Consideration was given to consultation on proposed legislation, as detailed in the report, regarding The Unauthorised Encampments (N.I.) Order 2004. The proposed legislation in essence empowered a senior police officer to direct any person to leave land and remove any vehicle or property from the said lands subject to certain conditions.

A full discussion ensued on this topic during which the Director of Environmental Health answered various members' questions.

Council is recommended to welcome, in principle, the introduction of this legislation.

The importance, however, of providing Irish traveller caravan sites on a co-ordinated basis across Northern Ireland by the Northern Ireland Housing Executive should be reinforced to the Department of Social Development.

### 2.2 New Legislation - Anti-Social Behaviour (N.I.) Order 2004

Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, regarding the introduction of the Anti-Social Behaviour (N.I.) Order 2004 (ASBO).

Committee noted that an ASBO was an Order issued by the Magistrate Court to those candidates guilty of anti-social behaviour. Anti-social behaviour was defined as **“behaviour that has or was likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to one or more persons not of the same household”**.

The key elements of the legislation empowered three designated bodies namely:

Northern Ireland Housing Executive  
Northern Ireland Police Service  
District Councils

To apply to the Magistrate Court for any one of the following:

- ASBO (without conviction)
- ASBO (on conviction)
- Interim ASBO

A full discussion ensued on this topic during which the Director of Environmental Health answered various members' questions.

2.3 Fallen Animals

Consideration was given to information, as detailed in the report, regarding the introduction of a scheme from 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2004 for dealing with fallen animals. The scheme would be operated by a wholly Government-owned Company, the National Fallen Stock Company.

Council is recommended to welcome the introduction of this new scheme.

2.4 Environmental Health - Quarter July - August 2004

Committee noted information summarising the main elements of work achieved by the Department for the second quarter of the 2004/2005 year. The following work had demanded a considerable time spend:

- Legionnaires Disease
- Work Well Initiative
- Eat Safe Awards
- Butchers' Licences
- Food Hygiene Training

**3.0 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

3.1 DRD Roads Service - Garvagh Main Street Junction

Committee noted that a reply had been received from DRD Roads Service regarding Council's request for traffic control measures at the Garvagh Main Street junction with Limavady Road and Bridge Street. Traffic and pedestrian surveys which were planned to be carried out over the next two months would now include a further survey of the junction. Council would be advised on the outcome which would determine if the introduction of traffic control could be justified.

3.2 Street Trading Licence

An application for the grant of a mobile street trading licence, as detailed in the report, had been received from Mr. Mark Witherow, 36 Cappagh Grove, Portstewart.

Recommended:

That a mobile street trading licence be granted.

### 3.3 Building Control

#### 3.3.1 Approvals

Approval had been given for forty-nine applications.

#### 3.3.2 Plans for Rejection Under Building Regulations

Council is recommended to reject the following application under Building Regulations, as detailed in the report:

C/2002/0439 - Wine Bar and Residential Accommodation at 58 Ballyreagh Road, Portrush for Three Four Ltd.

### 3.4 North West Waste Management

#### 3.4.1 Best Practicable Environmental Option (BPED)

Committee noted that Environmental Consultants were now processing the data from the Northern Ireland BPED workshop held in Cookstown on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2004 and examining the sensitivity of the options. A report would be prepared to assist the three waste management groups in considering local BPED's for waste management plan reviews currently underway.

#### 3.4.2 Tenders - Waste Services for Composting

Committee noted that applications were being sought for the collection (from transfer points), processing and transfer to end markets of waste services for composting.

#### 3.4.3 Provision of Landfill Capacity for Councils with the North West Region Waste Management Group

Expressions of interest were being sought from contractors and landowners who could offer sites for consideration for landfill within the area.

#### 3.4.4 Agreement

Consideration was given to North West Region Waste Management Group Draft Agreement (previously supplied).

Council is recommended to endorse this agreement.

#### 3.4.5 Bio-Stabilisation of Municipal Solid Waste - Trial

Committee noted that approval was being sought from Environment and Heritage Service and Department of the Environment Planning Service for a Bio-Stabilisation of Municipal Solid Waste Trial at Craighulliar Landfill Site.

The Director of Technical Services would keep members informed of any further developments in the project.

3.5 East Strand, Portrush - Amenity Block Quotations for architectural services, as detailed in the report, for the design and contract supervision of the proposed toilets and water sports provision were being sought from the architects on Council's approved list.

A report on the quotations received would be brought to Council in due course.

Noted.

3.6 Contracts Contractors had been appointed and work would commence within the next month on the following schemes:

- Portballintrae Bay Protection Works
- Upgrading of the Viewing Point at Tunnel Brae, Castlerock

3.7 Construction of Concrete Footpath at Caldwell Laneway, Portrush Tenders had been received, as listed, for the construction of a concrete footpath at Caldwell Laneway, Portrush:

Tenderer	Total (£)
1. W. G. Killough, Kilrea	62,946.88
2. M. P. Coleman, Stewartstown	72,694.91
3. Scott Bros., Limavady	79,786.30
4. Carnlough Developments Ltd., Swatragh	91,795.70
5. Boyd Landscapes Ltd., Ballyclare	95,200.56

Council is recommended to accept the lowest tender from W. G. Killough, Kilrea in the sum of £62,946.88.

Committee noted that Council had successfully secured 62.5% grant-aid of eligible costs representing £45,700 from Environment and Heritage Service to implement the above scheme.

3.8 Berne Toilets, Portstewart In response to a question the Director of Technical Services confirmed that at the Capital Programme Workshop it had been agreed to close the Berne Toilets, Portstewart for a trial period of one year.

3.9 Northern Ireland Amenity Council Awards The Director of Technical Services informed Committee of awards achieved by the Borough at the recent Northern Ireland Amenity Council Awards.



Portrush had won the best kept small town category. Moneydig had won the small housing area category. Kilrea and Garvagh had achieved excellent scores in the large village category.

Members interested in obtaining copies of the score sheets for their area were requested to contact the Director of Technical Services.

Committee congratulated the residents of Portrush and Moneydig together with Council staff on these successes.

#### **4.0 LEISURE SERVICES REPORT**

The report of the Director of Leisure Services was considered (previously supplied). In the absence of the Director of Leisure Services the report was presented by Mr. V. Freeman - Leisure Services Officer (Facilities).

Matters arising:

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| 4.1 | <u>Leisure Services Officer (Services)</u> | Members welcomed Ms. Ursula Fay who had been recently appointed as Leisure Services Officer (Services).   |
| 4.2 | <u>Community Sports Programme</u>          | Committee noted that Council had been successful in drawing down funding of £110,000 to employ a Community Sports Development Officer for a three year period from January 2005.<br><br>Council is recommended to accept this offer and employ a Community Sports Development Officer for a three year period from January 2005. The officer would be responsible for creating a sustainable youth development programme. |
| 4.3 | <u>Anderson Park, Coleraine</u>            | Council is recommended to approve the appointment of a full-time Park Ranger as detailed in the report. The officers would consider the addition of an educational aspect to the list of duties for the Park Ranger.  |
|     | 4.3.1 <u>Anderson Park - Cycle Path</u>    | Reference was made to the need for additional road markings at the Anderson Park cycle path. The Leisure Services Officer (Facilities) would raise the matter with Roads Service.   |
| 4.4 | <u>Portrush Football Club - Portacabin</u> | Council is recommended to agree to a request from Portrush Football Club to site a second portacabin adjoining the soccer pavilion at Parker Avenue, Portrush.  |

This approval was subject to planning approval being received and the relevant insurances put in place. The Club would meet all expenses incurred with the siting of the portacabin.

4.5 Special Olympics Ulster

Council is recommended to agree to provide light refreshments for competitors at the conclusion of the Special Olympics Ulster Canoe Challenge event on the River Bann in May 2005.

It was anticipated that 100 competitors would participate in the event. The officers noted members' comments regarding the promotion of this event.

4.6 Northern Ireland Special Festival of Pool

Council is recommended to contribute £500 towards the organisation costs of the Northern Ireland Special Festival of Pool at the Lodge Hotel, Coleraine from 8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2004.

4.7 Antrim Gardens, Portrush - Environmental Improvement Scheme

Reported that INTERREG had offered Council a grant of £165,000 towards the cost of the Environmental Improvement Scheme at Antrim Gardens, Portrush.

Council is recommended to proceed with the scheme.

**6.0 KING STURGE - INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY CONSULTANTS**

Tabled:

Report entitled Property Sustainability Matters : Caveat Emptor

**7.0 THE ROTARY CLUB OF COLERAINE - FUNDRAISING LUNCH - 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2004**

The Mayor referred to a fundraising lunch in the Lodge Hotel and Travelstop on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2004 in aid of Men Against Cancer Charity.

Members interested in attending the lunch were requested to contact the Mayor's Secretary.

**8.0 GAS FLUSHED - CHICKEN FILLETS**

Reference was made to locally purchased chicken fillets which had been gas flushed.

It was agreed that Councillor Mrs. Johnston speak with the Director of Environmental Health regarding this matter following the meeting.

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

9<sup>th</sup> November, 2004.

**Present:** Councillor W. A. 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

### **Councillors**

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J. J. Dallat                                        A. McQuillan  
T. J. Deans                                        E. M. Mullan  
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. Walker

**Officers in Attendance:** Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

**Apology:** Councillor Bradley

## **1.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

### **Applications Deferred from Previous Meeting**

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| 1.1 | <u>Application No. D1</u><br><u>C/2003/0810/F</u><br><u>To replace existing rectory in new site previously approved (ref. C/2001/1132/O) (Amended scheme) adjacent to 59 Strand Road, Portstewart for The Select Vestry of Agherton Parish Church</u> | The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.<br><br>It was agreed that the application be approved. |
| 1.2 | <u>Application No. D2</u><br><u>C/2003/0815/O</u><br><u>Site for dwelling at Laragh Road,</u>   | The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.   |

Swatragh (East of No. 15) for Mr. M. Diamond

It was proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Dallat and unanimously agreed:

That the application be approved.

1.3 Application No. D3  
C/2003/1218/F  
Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of two and a half storey guesthouse (amendments to previously approved application ref: C/2002/0156/F) at 105 Strand Road, West Tullaghmurry, Portstewart for T. McKeever

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be approved.

1.4 Application No. D4  
C/2003/1366/F  
Provision of 3 no. townhouses and 23 no. apartments as additional to the previous housing development planning approvals C/2000/0937 and C/2000/0938 on lands at West Bay, Dhu Varren, Portrush bounded by Portstewart Road, West Strand Road, The Promenade and Brookvale Terrace and the railway embankment now to include Carrick Dhu bungalow and associated additional lands for Seaport Investments

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Watt and seconded by Councillor McClarty:

That the application be approved.

On a request for a recorded vote the members voted thus:

**For:** Aldermen Mrs. Black and Creelman  
Councillors Mrs. Church, Mrs. Johnston, McClarty, McQuillan and Watt (7)

**Against:** Alderman Leonard  
Councillors Ms. Alexander, Dallat, Hillis, McLaughlin, Mullan and Stewart (7)

**Abstentions:** The Mayor and Deputy Mayor  
Alderman Mrs. Armitage  
Councillors Barbour, Deans, Mrs. Fielding and King (7)

At this point in the proceedings the Chairman used his casting vote in favour of the proposal.

1.5 Application No. D5  
C/2004/0035/O

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

	<u>Site for housing development to rear of 20 Ballylagan Road, Islandmore Road, Portrush for Mr. D. Kelly</u>	It was agreed that the application be refused.
1.6	<u>Application No. D6</u> <u>C/2004/0083/F</u> <u>Erection of two dwellings at 25 Larkhill Road, Portstewart for Mr. N. Glasgow</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  It was agreed that the application be approved.
1.7	<u>Application No. D7</u> <u>C/2004/0142/O</u> <u>Site for dwelling to rear of 136 Castleroe Road, Coleraine for Mr. and Mrs. A. Kneeland</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  It was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by Councillor McQuillan and unanimously agreed:  That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a meeting with the Divisional Planning Officer.
1.8	<u>Application No. D8</u> <u>C/2004/0216/O</u> <u>Proposed site for one and a half storey dwelling at Ballynacally Park, 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 week to facilitate withdrawal. If the application was not withdrawn it would be refused.
1.9	<u>Application No. D9</u> <u>C/2004/0336/O</u> <u>Dwelling and garage to rear of 50 Grove Road, Garvagh for Steven and Russell Holmes</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  It was agreed that the application be approved.
1.10	<u>Application No. D10</u> <u>C/2004/0372/O</u> <u>Site for bungalow and garage approximately 60m North West of No. 14 Laragh Road, Swatragh for Ms. B. McMullan</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  It was proposed by Councillor Watt, seconded by Councillor Dallat and agreed:  That the application be deferred for one month to facilitate an office meeting.
1.11	<u>Application No. D11</u> <u>C/2004/0484/O</u> <u>Site for dwelling beside 48 Coolnasillagh Road, Garvagh for Miss J. McKillop</u>	The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  It was agreed that the application be approved.

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| 1.12 | <u>Application No. D12</u><br><u>C/2004/0536/F</u><br><u>Dwelling cottage to the rear of</u><br><u>26 Dullaghy Road, Garvagh for</u><br><u>Mr. Burke</u>  | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by Councillor Mullan and unanimously agreed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">That the application be approved.</p>   |
| 1.13 | <u>Application No. D13</u><br><u>C/2004/0538/O</u><br><u>Site for dwelling adjoining 47A</u><br><u>Coolnasillagh Road, Garvagh for</u><br><u>Mr. Mullan</u>   | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was proposed by Councillor Mullan, seconded by Councillor Dallat and unanimously agreed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">That the application be approved.</p>   |
| 1.14 | <u>Application No. D14</u><br><u>C/2004/0580/O</u><br><u>Proposed site for bungalow</u><br><u>approximately 120m East of</u><br><u>193 Gelvin Road, Garvagh for</u><br><u>Mr. D. Hassan</u>                         | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>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.</p> |
| 1.15 | <u>Application No. D15</u><br><u>C/2004/0584/O</u><br><u>Proposed site for bungalow adjacent</u><br><u>to No. 4 Movanagher Road, Kilrea</u><br><u>(site on Agivey Road) for</u><br><u>Mr. K. McGuckin</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 an office meeting.</p>  |
| 1.16 | <u>Application No. D16</u><br><u>C/2004/0588/F</u><br><u>Proposed large animal veterinary</u><br><u>care building and porch at</u><br><u>12 Ballyrashane Road, Coleraine for</u><br><u>Harding, Frizzell, McKee</u> | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be approved.</p>   |

## **NEW APPLICATIONS**

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| 1.17 | <u>Application No. 3</u><br><u>C/2003/1348/O</u><br><u>Site for dwelling east of 25 Shinney</u><br><u>Road, Coleraine for Mr. J. Henry</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> |
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| 1.18 | <u>Application No. 12</u><br><u>C/2004/0461/O</u><br><u>Site for dwelling at 69 Agivey Road,</u><br><u>Kilrea for Mr. P. Darragh</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. It was further agreed that a representative from Roads Service be requested to attend.</p>   |
| 1.19 | <u>Application No. 13</u><br><u>C/2004/0471/O</u><br><u>Site for dwelling 270m south of 9</u><br><u>Ballystrone Road, Coleraine for</u><br><u>Mr. L. Caskey</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>  |
| 1.20 | <u>Application No. 14</u><br><u>C/2004/0473/F</u><br><u>20 no. new build apartments with</u><br><u>associated car parking and gardens</u><br><u>at 49 – 53 Prospect Road,</u><br><u>Portstewart for Carney Investments</u><br><u>Ltd.</u>   | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>Letter dated 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2004 from Mr. J. A. Hunter, 43 Prospect Road, Portstewart was considered (previously supplied).</p> <p>Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman Mrs. Armitage, seconded by Councillor Stewart and unanimously agreed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">That the application be refused.</p> |
| 1.21 | <u>Application No. 17</u><br><u>C/2004/0490/F</u><br><u>Construction of infill residential</u><br><u>development comprising of 3 no.</u><br><u>three bed units, 4 no. two bedroom</u><br><u>units and 1 no. one bed unit.</u><br><u>Demolition of existing buildings at 17</u><br><u>Lever Road, Portstewart. Minor</u><br><u>alterations to and demolition of lean-</u><br><u>to garage to 15 Lever Road,</u><br><u>Portstewart for MAM Developments</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 an office meeting.</p>  |
| 1.22 | <u>Application No. 18</u><br><u>C/2004/0492/O</u><br><u>Site for one and a half storey</u><br><u>dwelling and detached garage</u><br><u>adjacent to No. 58 Temple Road,</u><br><u>Garvagh for Miss M. McNicholl</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>  |
| 1.23 | <u>Application No. 19</u><br><u>C/2004/0498/O</u><br><u>Site for dwelling and garage at</u><br><u>Lisachrin Road, Garvagh (west of</u>  | <p>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</p> <p>It was agreed that the application be</p>   |

- junction of Lisachrin and Ballymenagh Road) for Mr. R. B. Fullerton
- deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.
- 1.24 Application No. 23  
C/2004/0522/O  
Site for dwelling and garage adjacent to 19 Ballystrone Road, Coleraine for Mr. Jeffers
- 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.
- 1.25 Application No. 24  
C/2004/0526/O  
New dwelling and garage adjacent to 23 Plantation Road, Garvagh for Mr. B. Stratton
- 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.
- 1.26 Application No. 29  
C/2004/0576/O  
Retirement dwelling adjacent to 36 Gateside Road, Coleraine for Mr. J. McCully Irons
- 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.
- 1.27 Application No. 34  
C/2004/0654/O  
Erection of 1.5 storey dwelling with detached garage at Castle Road, 40m north of Castle Road/Ballybogey Road junction, Bushmills for Mr. B. Williamson
- 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.
- 1.28 Application No. 35  
C/2004/0657/F  
Alterations to existing shop-fronts, installation of ventilation systems and internal compressors for hot food takeaway at 3 Dunmore Street, Coleraine for Domino's Pizza Group Ltd.
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve both applications.
- Councillor Deans asked to be recorded as dissenting with this decision.
- Application No. 36  
C/2004/0658/A  
4 x fascia signs, 1 x projecting sign and 1 x internal sign at 3 Dunmore Street, Coleraine for Domino's Pizza Group Ltd.
- 1.29 Application No. 38  
C/2004/0675/O  
New dwelling and garage 300m north-west of 11 Ballyhackett Lane, Castlerock for Mrs. A. M. Purcell
- 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.



- 1.30 Application No. 41  
C/2004/0679/O  
Site for dwelling and garage  
adjacent to 147 Carrowreagh Road,  
Garvagh for Mr. Reid
- 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 Application No. 44  
C/2004/0691/O  
Proposed site for dwelling adjacent  
to 103 Moneybrannon Road,  
Agahdowey, Coleraine for  
Mr. and Mrs. McCartney
- 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.
- 1.32 Application No. 60  
C/2004/0945/F  
Proposed improvements to dwelling  
at 57 Station Road, Portstewart for  
Mr. Hammond
- The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
- Reported that amended plans had been received. It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further consideration by the Planning Service.

## **2.0 NON DETERMINATION APPEAL**

- 2.1 Application No. C/2004/0277/F  
Housing development (comprising  
70 units) on land off Knocklynn  
Road, Coleraine (land south of  
Knocklynn Park) for W. F. Kennedy  
& Sons
- Consideration was given to letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2004 from the Planning Service (previously supplied).
- Following discussion it was agreed:
- That Council support a refusal.

## **3.0 GENERAL PLANNING ISSUES**

- 3.1 Application No. C/2003/1079
- Reported that the Planning Service was awaiting a consultation response from Roads Service.
- 3.2 6 Sunnyvale Avenue, Portrush -  
Breach of Planning Approval
- Reported that this matter was now an enforcement issue.
- 3.3 Application No. C/2003/1366
- Reported that an additional office meeting had taken place.
- 3.4 Application No. C/2004/0136 –  
Additional information requested
- Reported that the Enforcement Section had contacted the Councillor directly.

## **4.0 PLANNING ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS**

- 4.1 Applications - Signage
- An update was requested on applications

for signage for Wetherspoon's Public House, Castlerock Road, Coleraine and a fast food outlet on Strand Road, Coleraine.

- 4.2 Application – Fast Food Outlet, Hillcrest, Portrush Reference was made to a retrospective application for a fast food outlet at Hillcrest, Portrush.
- 4.3 Application No. C/2004/0195 Reference was made to the length of time involved in processing this application.  
Reported that the Planning Service was awaiting a consultation response from Roads Service.
- 4.4 Deferred application – Replacement dwelling at 93 Drumcroone Road, Coleraine An update was requested on this deferred application.
- 4.5 Applications – Disabled Extensions Reference was made to the lengthy delays in processing applications for disabled extensions. The possibility of fast tracking these applications would be investigated.
- 4.6 Cavity Walls Reference was made to the examination of cavity walls during building construction. Clarification of this matter would be sought.
- 4.7 Issuing of Decisions Reference was made to the time period involved in issuing decisions to applicants.  
It was noted that decisions on current applications were issued within one month and that planning officers had made progress in issuing decisions on the backlog of applications.
- 4.8 Wall – Riverside Retail Park Concern was expressed regarding the wall at Riverside Retail Park.

## **5.0 ROYAL TOWN PLANNING INSTITUTE SHAPING THE FUTURE OF HOUSING IN NORTHERN IRELAND - SEMINAR**

Reported that the above Seminar would be held in the Radisson Hotel, Belfast on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2004.

Members interested in attending were asked to contact the Administrative Officer.

## **6.0 PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT PLAN) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS (N.I.) 2004 SR NO. 438**

Reported that the Department of the Environment had made a Statutory Rule entitled

the Planning (Development Plans) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004, No. 438 which would come into operation on 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2004.

Noted.

## **7.0 HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY**

Reported that the Environment Minister had announced that new legislation – The Planning (Use Classes) Order (N.I.) 2004 - would come into operation on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2004 to tighten planning control on houses in multiple occupancy.

Noted.

## **8.0 NORTHERN AREA PLAN**

The Administrative Officer reported that the Town Clerk and Chief Executive was at present continuing in discussion with Senior Counsel regarding this matter. A response was still awaited from the Minister.

Noted.

**POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**16<sup>th</sup> November, 2004.**

**Present:**

Councillor D. D. Barbour, in the Chair

The Mayor, Councillor R. A. McPherson  
(Items 3.0 – 14.0)

The Deputy Mayor, Alderman W. J. McClure  
(Items 1.0 – 4.0)

**Aldermen**

P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)  
(Items 1.0 – 2.3.3)  
E. T. Black (Mrs.)  
(Items 1.0 – 9.0)

W. T. Creelman  
B. Leonard

**Councillors**

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)  
O. M. Church (Mrs.)  
J. J. Dallat  
T. J. Deans  
E. P. Fielding (Mrs.)  
N. F. Hillis

E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)  
W. A. King  
G. L. McLaughlin  
. McQuillan  
(Items 1.0 - 9.0)  
W. J. Watt

**Officers in Attendance:** Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Head of Development Services (Items 1.0 – 2.3.3), Personnel Officer (Items 1.0 – 2.3.3), Finance Officer, Training Officer (Items 1.0 – 2.3.3), Policy Development Officer, Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

**Apologies:** Councillors McClarty and Mullan

## **1.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

### **1.1 COLLAGE Ltd.**

The Chairman welcomed Mr. T. Collins, Chairman; Mr. A. McGowan, Vice Chairman and Mr. K. Wilson, Manager, who were in attendance to update Committee on the implementation of the rural development programmes within Council's Economic Development Strategy.

Mr. Wilson elaborated on initiatives funded under the various programmes and outlined the trans-national and inter-territorial programme, due to launch early in 2005.

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The Chairman thanked the representatives for informative presentation, following which they withdrew.

### **1.2 Northern Ireland Events Company (NIEC)**

Consideration was given to information on DCAL's proposed budget reductions for the NIEC over the period 2006 – 2008, and the ensuing request for support from the NIEC, as contained in the report.

During the ensuing discussion, it was recommended:

That Council write to the Minister to urge reconsideration of the budget cuts and to seek a meeting between the Minister and a delegation from Council.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive would also request the NILGA Secretariat to table this issue for the next meeting of NILGA.

### **1.3 Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast World Heritage Site**

Consideration was given to the Head of Development Services' draft response to the draft Management Plan for the Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast World Heritage Site drawn up by the Environment and Heritage Service.

During the ensuing discussion the Head of Development Services detailed further issues regarding “carrying capacity” and “scrutiny”, which required clarification and it was recommended:

That Council accept the draft response on clarification of the points outlined by the Head of Development Services.

- 1.4 Causeway Coast and Glens Tourism Promotions Council is recommended to approve Council staff to assist at holiday shows and trade exhibitions, as detailed in the report, where needed.
- 1.5 North West ‘200’ Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2005 Committee noted that, as a result of risk assessments carried out by Coleraine and District Motor Club Ltd., the practice times for the 2005 event would be extended by one hour and roads would close at 5.00 pm on each practice night, ie Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2005.
- 1.6 Coleraine Tourist Information Office The Head of Development Services reported that negotiations were currently underway on a new lease for the premises at Railway Road and that Coleraine Tourist Information service would continue to operate from these premises.
- 1.7 National Parks – Study Visit to Brittany A composite report on this trip is available from Alderman Leonard on request.

Recommended:

That representatives from the Environment and Heritage Service and the Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust be invited to address Council on issues relating to National Parks.

## **2.0 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

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

Matters arising:

- 2.1 Stress and Employee Well-Being at Work Policy Mrs. Lucille McElholm, Training Officer, was in attendance to update members on Council’s new Stress and Well-Being at Work Policy (previously supplied).

Recommended:

That the Stress and Employee Well-Being at Work Policy be adopted.

2.3.1 Accounts

Committee noted that creditors' payments for October 2004, as per lists circulated, had been issued as follows:

Revenue A/C	-	£ 291,613.53
Capital A/C	-	£ 446,120.08
Petty Cash A/C	-	£ 352,604.91

2.3.2 Financial Statement as at 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2004

Members noted information on the financial statement for the six month period ended 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2004 as detailed in the report.

2.3.3 Appointments

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

Environmental Health Department

- Clerical Assistant (full-time): Mrs. E. Steen
- Clerical Assistant (part-time): Mrs. D. Knox
- Environmental Health Officer (job-share): Mrs. Y. Crowe
- Environmental Protection Technician: Mrs. C. Kennedy
- Senior Environmental Health Officer (3 posts):
  - (i) Mrs. C. McNally
  - (ii) Mr. R. Donnelly
  - (iii) Mrs. A. Cann

Leisure Services Department

- Housekeeper/Cleaner, Flowerfield Arts Centre (2 posts):
  - (i) Mrs. V. Kearney
  - (ii) Mrs. M. Moffett

**1.0 NOTICE OF MOTION**

The undernoted Notice of Motion was proposed by Alderman McClure, seconded by Councillor McQuillan and after discussion, unanimously agreed:

"This Council recognises that the proposed abolition of the "de-rating of manufacturing premises" will potentially put at risk thousands of jobs across Northern Ireland, many of them in the Coleraine Borough Council area.

Council formally proposes to write to the Minister responsible for Department of Enterprise and Investment to ask that a deputation be received from this Council in order that the problems faced by businesses in the Borough can be highlighted."

**2.0 DRAFT CORPORATE PLAN**



Consideration was given to the Draft Corporate Plan 2005/2008 prepared by the Policy Development Officer who was in attendance to answer members' queries and note comments.

The draft would be revised before final presentation to Council.

### **3.0 DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT - CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT LOCAL GOVERNMENT (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2005**

Consideration was given to this Consultation Document (previously supplied) and it was proposed by Councillor Dallat and seconded by Councillor McLaughlin:

That Council's response to this document include a request for a statutory Register of Interests for members to be included in the Order.

On a request for a recorded vote, members voted thus:

For: Aldermen Mrs. Black and Leonard; Councillors Ms. Alexander, Barbour, Mrs. Church, Dallat, Hillis, Mrs. Johnston, King, McLaughlin and Watt (11).

Against: Alderman Creelman, Councillors Deans, Mrs. Fielding and McQuillan (4).

Abstention: The Mayor (1).

The motion was, therefore, carried by eleven votes to four.

### **4.0 NORTHERN IRELAND DRAFT PRIORITIES AND BUDGET 2005 - 08**

Consideration was given to the Northern Ireland Draft Priorities and Budget 2005-08 (previously supplied) and the associated reports:

- Northern Ireland Draft Economic Vision (previously supplied);
- "Fit for Purpose" – The Reform Agenda in the Northern Ireland Civil Service (previously supplied).

The Northern Ireland Draft Priorities and Budget report would be considered further at the Leisure and Environment Committee meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2004.

A list of issues on which Council has previously expressed concern, eg the Belfast/Londonderry rail link, would be provided prior to this meeting and members were requested to inform the Town Clerk and Chief Executive of any matters they would like to have included.

### **5.0 CONSULTATION LIST**

The following consultation papers had been received and were available for members who wished to consider making a response:

- (i) Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment – The Northern Ireland Renewables Obligation Statutory Consultation

Comments due by: 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2004

- (ii) Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety:

- New Quality Standards for Children's Services for Under 12s
- New Quality Standards for Domiciliary Care Agencies
- New Quality Standards for Nursing Homes
- New Quality Standards for Nursing Agencies
- New Quality Standards for Children's Homes
- New Quality Standards for Fostering Agencies

Comments due by: 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2004

- (iii) Department for Social Development – Promoting Social Inclusion: Homelessness

Comments due by: 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2005

Any member who wished a document to be considered at a future meeting was requested to contact the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

## **6.0 LAUREL HILL POST OFFICE**

Read letter from the Post Office (previously supplied) advising that, as the result of the agent resigning, this branch would be moved to premises at 3-5 Greenmount Avenue, Coleraine.

Noted.

## **7.0 WATER REFORM**

Read letter from the General Consumer Council inviting Council feedback on the paper 'Water - A Clear Way Forward' (previously supplied).

Noted.

## **8.0 NORTHERN IRELAND REVIEW OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

Read press notice advising that the Minister had commissioned further work on local identity to be carried out by the Review Team and that publication of a Consultation Document should be forthcoming early in the New Year.

Noted.

## **9.0 DOCUMENTS TABLED**

- (i) Postwatch – Annual Report 2003-2004.

- (ii) Task Force on Resourcing the Voluntary and Community Sector – report: “Investing Together”.

## **10.0 SITE MEETINGS**

Members noted the following error in the schedule of meetings previously supplied by Planning Service:

Meetings detailed under the heading “Site Meetings on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2004” should read “site meetings” and not “office meetings”.

## **11.0 POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT MEETING - 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2004**

Recommended:

That Council deal with Policy and Development business at a Council meeting brought forward to 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2004.