

**LIMAVADY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
COMHAIRLE BHUIRG LÉIM AN MHADAIDH  
MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING**

**1 MAY 2012**

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Offices, 7 Connell Street, Limavady at 7.35 pm on the above date.

**PRESENT:**

**In the Chair:** Councillor S McGlinchey.

Aldermen M Coyle, G Robinson and J Rankin. Councillors O Beattie, A Brolly, B Chivers, B Douglas, T McCaul, J McCorkell, C McLaughlin, G Mullan, D Nicholl, A Robinson and E Stevenson.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Committee Clerk and the Chief Executive.

**APOLOGIES:** - None.

**MINUTES:**

The minutes of meeting held 3 April 2012 were approved and signed on the proposal of Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Coyle.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

**Page 3 – Ferry Service:** In response to a member the Chief Executive confirmed that it would be written into the contract for the ferry service that if deficit funding was not needed, it would have to be given back to Council.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT:**

The Chief Executive presented his report for May 2012 which was approved subject to the following:

**RPA Programme:** The Chief Executive informed circulated minutes of the Causeway Coast & Glens Voluntary Transition Committee meeting held on 8 March 2012. He said that at the inaugural meeting of the Regional Transition Committee (RTC) members had discussed the request from Minister Attwood that each of the Voluntary Transition Committees agreed a Chair to represent the cluster on the RTC and during discussion it had been agreed to use d'Hondt to allocate the position of Chair and Vice Chair for position on a six monthly cycle. He added that the Chair selected for six month period was Councillor Robert McIlroy from Moyle District Council, with Councillor Mullan from Limavady Borough Council as Vice Chair for the same period.

The Chief Executive also circulated a letter from Minister Attwood regarding the implementation Structure to be used for RPA, including the draft Terms of

Reference of the Regional Transition Committee and draft Terms of Reference of the Regional Transition Operational Board.

Frustration was voiced at RPA and the lack of funding from Central Government for the process. The Chief Executive confirmed that RPA formed part of the 'Programme for Government' and that local government would have no choice but to implement it. He said that the Department had stated that costings set out in the PWC Report might have to be refreshed and brought back for discussion and that there was legislation currently going through the Assembly for the wind up of the current 26 councils and for the election of the new 11 councils. He added that whilst the cost for RPA was unknown, saving had been made through the ICE programme by collaborating with other councils.

**NILGA – Proposed Amendment to Constitution:** It was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Councillor Chivers that section 8, sub section (c), and item (vi) of NILGA's constitution would be amended to read

*"A council not represented on the Executive shall be entitled to nominate one full member to attend, and vote at, Executive meetings"*

The change to NILGA's constitution was welcomed by members.

**Gifts & Hospitality Policy:** The Gifts & Hospitality Policy was approved on the proposal of Alderman Rankin, seconded by Councillor Mullan.

#### **EXTERNAL MINUTES NOTED:**

- Western Health Environmental Health Committee – 6 March 2012

#### **RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL:**

The following resolution submitted by Down District Council was noted:

'That this Council calls upon the Minister for Justice to introduce legislation that will see perpetrators of serious crime against elderly receive custodial sentences.'

#### **CONSULTATIONS:**

It was agreed that the Corporate Policy Officer would respond on Council's behalf to the following consultation:

- Steven Agnew, MLA (Green Party) – A Statutory Duty to Co-Operate on Children's Services: A Legislative Proposal.

#### **COURSES/CONFERENCES:**

It was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Rankin that the Director of Environmental Services would attend the Emergency Planning conference and AGM 'Resilience During Times of Regeneration' on 11 & 12 June 2012 in the City Hotel, Derry: Fee: £80.

**SEAL LEGAL DOCUMENTS:**

The legal document between Limavady Borough Council and Longline Surf School for the lease of land at Benone Tourist Complex and beach was signed and sealed on the proposal of Councillor McCorkell, seconded by Alderman Rankin.

**FORMAL CORRESPONDENCE:**

- o North West Regional College Strategic Plan 2012-2015
- o Patient and Client Council, Someone to Stand up for me – A toolkit to promote advocacy for older people in the independent care home sector  
[www.patientclientcouncil.hscni.net](http://www.patientclientcouncil.hscni.net)

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** - None.

**NEXT MEETING:** - 12 June 2012.

**THE BUSINESS CONCLUDED AT 8.35 PM**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair of Meeting