

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

PLANNING & SERVICES COMMITTEE

3 APRIL 2008

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

PRESENT:

Aldermen G Mullan, J Rankin and G Robinson. Councillors A Brolly, P Butcher, M Carten, B Chivers, M Coyle, L Cubitt, M Donaghy, B Douglas, C O hOisín (chair), J F McElhinney, A Robinson and E Stevenson.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Clerk, Chief Executive and Mrs Andree McNee, Planning Service.

APOLOGIES: - None.

MINUTES:

The minutes of meeting dated 6 March 2008 were approved and signed on the proposal of Councillor Carten, seconded by Councillor Butcher.

MATTERS ARISING:

Page 3 – Vesting of Lands at Catherine Street: It was agreed that a copy of senior legal opinion regarding vesting of lands at Catherine Street would be made available to members on request, with caveat that it be held private and confidential and not distributed to any other person.

SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS: (Deferred applications – see appendix)

Mrs McNee answered queries on applications listed on the deferred schedule and the recommendations were accepted subject to the following:

D1/Refusal: B/2005/0918/F – erection of dwelling to rear of 278 Baranailt Road, Limavady (Mr A Riley): It was agreed that the issuing of refusal decision would be deferred for 7 days.

D2/Refusal: B/2006/0555/F – erection of 3 no. one and a half storey dwellings with associated car parking, 17 Pollysirea Road, Limavady (Mr A Miller): It was noted that this application had been withdrawn.

D8/Refusal: B/2007/0330/F – erection of 2 storey block containing 2 no apartments, 2 no 2 storey semi-detached dwellings on lands between 301 & 307 Drumrane Road, Burnfoot (Mr A McCrea): It was agreed that issuing of refusal decision would be deferred for 7 days.

SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS: (New applications – see appendix)

Mrs McNee answered queries on applications listed on the schedule and the recommendations were accepted subject to the following:

B/2006/0617/RM – erection of traditional two storey dwelling with detached garage/store adjacent to 103 Baranailt Road, Limavady (Seopa Limited): Mrs McNee agreed to defer the issuing of a refusal decision in respect of this application for 1 month.

B/2007/0176/RM – erection of single storey dwelling & garage/play room on lands to the west of 405 Seacoast Road, Clooney, Limavady (Mr D McNally): Mrs McNee agreed to defer the issuing of a refusal decision in respect of this application for 1 month.

B/2007/0189/F – erection of single storey replacement dwelling 278 Baranailt Road, Limavady (Mr A Riley): Mrs McNee agreed to defer the issuing of a refusal decision in respect of this application for 1 month.

B/2007/0253/RM – erection of two storey dwelling with associated garage/store 130 metres north of 116 Highlands Road, Limavady (Mr & Mrs J Alcorn): Mrs McNee explained that amended drawings had been submitted for this application and suggested that decision be deferred until after these had been reviewed. Agreed.

B/2007/0346/F – amendment to previously approved retail and residential development (under B/2006/0347/F) to raise ridge height with two new dormers to rear elevation for conversion of attic space (Creona Developments Ltd): Mrs McNee outlined that this application had been withdrawn.

B/2007/0478/F – removal of existing communications mast & garden shed for erection of pair of two storey semi-detached dwellings in front garden of existing site on land to front of 8 Roeville Terrace, Limavady (Mr & Mrs J Traynor): Mrs McNee agreed to defer issuing of refusal decision in respect of this application for 1 month.

B/2007/0507/O – erection of dwelling in rear garden, accessed from Scriggan Road, 79 Killane Road, Limavady (Dr. R L Carson): Mrs McNee agreed to defer issuing of refusal decision in respect of this application for 1 month.

B/2007/0510/F – single storey extension to front of dwelling and new front & rear dormer windows at 119 Whitehill Park, Limavady (Mr & Mrs A Harper): Mrs McNee agreed to defer issuing of refusal decision in respect of this application for 1 month.

B/2007/0548/O – site for dwelling and domestic garage on site approximately 70 metres south east of 109 Aghanloo Road, Limavady (KNBC Properties Ltd): Mrs outlined that this application had been withdrawn.

Office Meetings: Office meetings were arranged for Friday 18 April 2008 for the following applications:

B/2007/0553/O – site for retirement dwelling with detached garage/store adjacent to 24 Killyblight Road, Dungiven (Mr & Mrs S Wilson);

B/2007/0574/F – erection of agricultural shed on land approximately 95 m NNE of 94 Legavallon Road, Drumsurn (Mr G Doherty);

B/2007/0575/F – 3 storey apartment block consisting of 6 no two bedroom apartments with on site parking on site between 11 and 25 Tullyverry Drive, Greysteel (Tullyverry Developments Ltd);

B/2007/0579/O – erection of off-site replacement dwelling & detached garage 16 metres north east of 26 Point Road, Ballymagoland, Magilligan (Mr & Mrs C Sherrard);

B/2008/0018/F – retention of dwelling without complying with condition 12 of previous approval B/2005/0542/RM for retention of red brick wall finish at 7 Gortgarn Road, Limavady (Mr A Rankin).

Issues outside the Schedule:

- Mrs McNee was informed that residents were complaining about the Asian restaurant in Irish Green Street staying open to 3 am.

ROADS:

The following issues were raised in relation to roads:

- request that Roads Service clear leaves and muck from Plantation Road, Ballykelly and at Vale Road, Greysteel.
- agreed that a letter of support from Council would be forwarded to Roads Service for provision of a passing bay to facilitate buses and lorries at Carrowclare Road.

WATER & SEWERAGE:

The following issues were highlighted in relation to water and sewerage:

- it was suggested that Water Service consider connecting 5 or 6 homes in Tartnakilly Road to the main sewerage system.
- It was highlighted that the general public had difficulties getting in contact with Water Service but the department were aware of the problem and looking at possible solutions.

HOUSING:

Arson Attacks: Reference was made to a meeting held with interagency bodies regarding arson attacks in the town and to the fact that elected members had not been invited to attend. It was suggested that communication needed to be improved as members felt that the exchange of information between the different agencies would have been useful.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Closure of Rural Post Offices: It was agreed that Council would do everything in its power to make a case for retention of the two rural post offices which were to close in the Borough. It was agreed that a draft response to the consultation paper on the closures would be brought before Council for submission before the six week consultation deadline.

North West Region Waste Management Sub Committee: The Chief Executive informed members that invitation had been extended for members to attend a meeting of the North West Region Waste Management Sub Committee regarding the Regional Landfill on Wednesday 9 April 2008 in Magherafelt District Council Offices, commencing at 10.30 am, with presentation by B Mullan & Sons taking place at 11.30 pm.

Corporate Planning: It was agreed that the consultation process to produce Councils new Corporate Plan for 2009/11 would commence with a half day workshop between Councillors and members of the senior & operational management tiers. It was also agreed that the workshop facilitated by Mr John O'Neill of Venturi would take place on Thursday 24 April 2008 in the Drummond Hotel between 12.30 and 4.30 pm.

Dungiven By-Pass - A6 Duelling: The update regarding Dungiven by-pass and A6 dualling given by Conor Murphy, Minister of Regional Development earlier in the day was welcomed by the Chair and members were thanked for their attendance at the meeting.

NEXT MEETING:

1 May 2008.

**THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS
(The meeting ended at 8 .00 pm)**

Chair: _____