

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

**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE
9 APRIL 2009**

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

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Clerk and the Director of Development.

APOLOGIES:

Alderman G Mullan, Councillors A Brolly, M Coyle and A Robinson.

MINUTES:

The minutes of meeting held 10 March 2009 were approved and signed on the proposal of Councillor Carten, seconded by Councillor Cubitt.

MATTERS ARISING:

- **Page 3 – Greysteel Play Area:** In response to a members query, the Director of Development agreed to follow up on acquiring voluntary assistance for the opening and closing with Greysteel Community Association.

MINUTES OF DANNY BOY SUB COMMITTEE:

The minutes of Danny Boy Sub Committee meeting held 30 March 2009 were noted.

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT REPORT – APRIL 2009:

The Director of Development presented the Development Report for April 2009 and enlarged thereon. The recommendations within the report were approved subject to the following:

Disposal of Land at Curragh Road: It was agreed that the disposal of land at Curragh Road would be deferred until a later date.

Tourist Information Cash and Stock Management System: It was agreed that a new Electronic Point of Sale system would be purchased for Limavady Tourist Information Centre at a cost of £1,945 plus VAT.

Roe Valley Arts and Heritage Committee: It was agreed that Council would provide a grant of £2,500 to the Roe Valley Arts and Heritage Committee

programme for 2009/10, from which would be purchased a Limavady Borough Council perpetual challenge trophy to be presented at the Speech and Drama Festival in 2009 and in subsequent years.

Culture Arts and Tourism Annual Grants Programme: The Director of Development recommended that grants for the period 1 April 2009 to 31 March 2010 be awarded to the 15 applications assessed under Council's Culture Arts and Tourism Grants programme. Decision on the Route Hunt for the Point to Point Races in October 2009 was deferred until submission of outstanding information to Council.

Tourism Research Project: Council approved the continuation of the STEAM research project for 2009 at a cost of £3,000 as allocated in the tourism budget.

Cricket Development Officer: An extension to the current agreement up until 31st August 2009 was agreed with a financial contribution of £1,500 towards the costs.

Spirit of Enniskillen: It was agreed that Council would contribute £100 towards costs associated with participation in the Spirit of Enniskillen award by a representative from the Neighbourhood Renewal Area.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Wind Farms: It was highlighted that members had received a number of complaints from residents who were opposed to additional wind turbines being erected in the Borough. It was pointed out that although Council was supportive of renewable energy, it was felt that there were enough wind farms in the area already.

Congratulations: It was agreed that a letter of congratulations would be forwarded to Jordan O'Neill on winning the Ulster 50K boxing title and to wish him luck on reaching the final of the All Ireland Boxing Tournament.

Danny Boy Festival: Members were asked to support the Danny Boy Festival to be held 30 April to 3 May 2009.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: - 12 May 2009.

**THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS
(The meeting ended at 7.50 pm)**

Signed: _____
Chair of Meeting