

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

**MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING  
9 AUGUST 2011**

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Offices, 7 Connell Street, Limavady at 5.00 pm on the above date.

**PRESENT:**

**In the Chair:** Councillor S McGlinchey

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Committee Clerk and the Chief Executive.

**APOLOGIES:**

Councillors A Brolly and D Nicholl.

**ADJOURNMENT OF LAST MEETING:**

It was queried whether the adjournment of the 2 August 2011 Monthly meeting had been legitimately carried out. The Chief Executive outlined that point 35c of Standing Orders stipulated that if the Mayor or Chairman is of the opinion that the due and orderly dispatch of business was impossible, the meeting could be adjourned without debate.

**COMPLAINTS ABOUT SMELL – BROAD ROAD:**

Members were advised that an application was currently under consideration for a proposed site for storage & processing of sludge cake at no 37 Broad Road. Following consultation with EHO and Roads Service, the Department would be in a position to determine the application. The Department noted Council's concerns regarding odours coming from the site, however, it is not in a position to comment on the acceptability of the proposal and would not wish to prejudge the outcome of the application.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT:**

The Chief Executive presented his report for August 2011. The items for information were noted and the report was adopted on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Alderman Robinson subject to the following:

**Provision of Internal Audit Service:** The Terms of Reference to allow the tender process for provision of an Internal Audit Service was approved on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Councillor Mullan. A copy of the Internal Audit Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2011 was circulated to members. The Chief Executive and Council employees were thanked for their

input into the Audit process in which Council had been awarded a Substantial Assurance, the highest level possible and rarely given by Auditors.

**Corporate Planning Exercise:** The Chief Executive circulated a document in which a process map was set out to facilitate the corporate plan for Limavady Borough Council. The key stages of the Corporate Planning Exercise included consultation with specific service users, with staff and with elected members. It was agreed that the Corporate Plan Workshop organised for 23 August would be postponed until October 2011.

**Planning & Services Committee Meeting:** Members discussed the request from the Senior Planning Officer for Council to consider reviewing the timing of its Planning & Services meetings. After consideration, it was agreed that the meetings times would not be brought forward as this would be inconvenient to some members.

**Corporate Risk Register:** The Chief Executive gave an overview of the risks identified, control measure employed, further actions required by each department and comments on mitigation of risks identified. He updated members on the closure plan for Drumaduff and said that Council had entered into a joint procurement exercise for provision of a MBT Plant.

The Chief Executive agreed to raise with the other Councils involved in landfill site closures that a meeting be requested to discuss the situation with Minister Attwood.

**Equality Commission Annual Progress Report:** The Annual Report to the Equality Commission on Section 75 of the NI Act 1998 and Section 49A of the Disability Discrimination Order 2006 was approved by members.

**Translink Network Changes:** It was agreed that representatives from Translink would be invited to present details on changes to the network at the 16 August 2011 Planning & Services meeting.

#### **EXTERNAL MINUTES – NOTED:**

- Western Group Environmental Health Committee – 8 March 2011
- Western Health & Social Care Trust – 7 April 2011

#### **CONSULTATIONS:**

Members reviewed the consultation list for August 2011 and the responses were noted as follows:

- ◆ Department of the Environment – Fixed Penalty Guidance and Regulations: It was agreed that the consultation would be referred to a relevant officer to consider and respond if appropriate. A copy of the response to be circulated to members.
- ◆ Department of Justice – Implementation of Policing and Community Safety Partnerships: Agreed that a draft response would be brought to the September Monthly meeting.
- ◆ Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety – A District Nursing Service for Today and Tomorrow: A draft strategy and action plan 2012-2017:

- ◆ DETI – Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations 2011: It was agreed to check if this consultation impacted on council.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Carten’s Road:** The Chief Executive agreed on forward a query on consultation with the residents on Carten’s Road at change of road name to the Director Environmental Services. .

**Membership to NILGA:** Councillor Robinson to consult with his party colleagues on whether they would be willing to replace him on NILGA.

**Entertainment Licence – Stendhal Festival:** Council approved the issue of an Entertainment Licence for Stendhal Festival to be held 20 August 2011.

**Transfer of Amusement Permit:** The request to transfer existing amusement permit on premises at 11c Main Street, Limavady was approved.

**Petition:** Members were advised that a petition had been handed to him signed by over 40 people requesting that elected members undertake the role which they were elected to and desist from party partisan politics. It was agreed that a copy of the petition would be forwarded to elected members.

**NEXT MEETING:** - 6 September 2011.

**THE BUSINESS CONCLUDED AT 6.00 PM**

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