

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

**MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
10 JANUARY 2012**

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Offices, 7 Connell Street, Limavady at 7.45 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 6 December 2011 were approved and signed on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Alderman Robinson.

MATTERS ARISING: - None.

MINUTES OF AUDIT COMMITTEE:

The minutes of Audit Committee meeting held 12 October 2011 were approved on the proposal of Councillor Chivers, seconded by Alderman Coyle.

CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT:

The Chief Executive presented his report for January 2012 which was adopted on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Alderman Robinson subject to the following:

ICE/Regional Governance Group: It was agreed that Councillor Mullan would be the main representative from Council on the Regional Governance Group and that Councillor Chivers would act as a substitute.

Proposed Closure of Limavady Courthouse/Hearing Centre: It was agreed that Limavady Solicitors Association would present to Council on the closure of Limavady Courthouse/Hearing Centre.

Scorecard Report: The updated Integrated Business Plan scorecard report for 2011/12 was approved by members.

Corporate Risk Register: The Chief Executive outlined that the Senior Management Team had updated the Corporate Risk Register and that this had

been accepted by the Audit Committee at meeting held 14 December 2011. The revised Corporate Risk Register was approved by members.

Appointment of Independent Members to Policing & Community Safety Partnerships (PCSP's): The Chief Executive informed members that the Policing Board had selected PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) to provide criteria based training to Political Members involved in short listing and interview panels to select independent members to PCSP's. He said that each shortlisting/interview panel will comprise of at least 2 and up to 4 councillors plus an independent panel member provided by the Board.

Sinn Féin nominated Councillor Chivers, Councillor Brolly, Councillor McCaul and Councillor McLaughlin to the PCSP.

Alderman Coyle proposed, seconded by Councillor Chivers that 4 members be trained to sit on the short listing, interview panels. The following members were nominated:

1. Councillor Chivers on the proposal of Councillor McLaughlin, seconded by Councillor Brolly
2. Alderman Coyle on the proposal of Councillor Beattie , seconded by Councillor Mullan
3. Alderman Rankin on the proposal of Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Councillor Douglas
4. Councillor McCaul on the proposal of Councillor Chivers, seconded by Councillor Brolly.

The Chief Executive requested that the 4 members confirm as soon as possible dates between 6 February and 9 March 2012 when they would be available to attend the training.

Revised Equality Scheme and Action Plan: The revised Equality Scheme and Action Plan was approved for submission to the Equality Commission by 1 February 2012.

EXTERNAL MINUTES NOTED:

- ◆ Western Group Environmental Health Committee – 6 September 2011
- ◆ Northern Group Building Control Committee – 7 September 2011

RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY NEWTOWNABBEY BOROUGH COUNCIL:

The following resolution submitted by Newtownabbey Borough Council was noted as read:

‘That a letter would be sent to the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister requesting support for the appointment of a Veteran’s Advocate for Northern Ireland’.

CONSULTATIONS:

The following consultation documents were reviewed by members:

- Department of the Environment – Taxi Fare and Taximeter Regulations, submission by 17 February 2012: *This consultation was badly received by taxi firms who were opposed to the regulations. .*
- Northern Ireland Courts and Tribunals Service – proposals to close Hearing Centres at Bangor, Larne, Limavady, Magherafelt and Strabane Courthouses, submission by 2 March 2012: *It was agreed that a response would be forwarded to this consultation following the presentation to Council by Limavady Solicitors Association.*
- DHSSPS – consultation on the Model and Location of Shared Services for Health & Social Care, submission by 29 February 2012: *Noted by Council.*
- DHSSPS – Learning Disability Service Framework, submission by 12 March 2012: *Noted by Council.*
- HSENI – proposals for the Control of Asbestos Regulations (NI) 2012, submission by 13 February 2012: *Noted by Council.*
- Department of Regional Development – Building an Active Travel Future for NI, submission by 9 March 2012: *It was agreed that Council would respond positively to the consultation with the key points. Seek the views of Country Recreation Officer.*
- Community Pharmacy – proposed cuts to Community Pharmacy: *It was agreed that a letter would be forwarded to the Minister for Health to advise that Council was opposed to the cuts to Community Pharmacy and the impact these would have health locally.*

COURSES/CONFERENCES:

Attendance at the following courses/conferences was agreed:

- ◆ Alderman Coyle to attend the NILGA Workshop on EU Funding Engagement on 8 February 2012
- ◆ Councillor Nicholl to attend the LCLRD conference on Planning on 19 & 20 January 2012 in Dundalk.

SEAL LEGAL DOCUMENTS: - None.

FORMAL CORRESPONDENCE:

- Equality Commission for NI – Summary of Monitoring Returns 2010
- Oaklee Homes Group – Annual Report 1 April 10 to 31 March 2011
- Charity Commission for Northern Ireland – Annual Report 2010-11
- Volunteer Now – Annual Report 2010
- WELB – Annual Report and Accounts 2009/10
- Northern Ireland Statistics & Research Agency – Annual Report 2010
- Northern Ireland Tourist Board – Financially Assisted Projects 2008/11
- Sports Matters – Strategy for Sport and Physical Recreation 2009/19

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- There was a short exchange between Councillor Douglas and the Mayor regarding a charity event in Dungiven.

NEXT MEETING: - 7 February 2012.

THE BUSINESS CONCLUDED AT 8:10 PM

Signed: _____
Chair of Meeting