

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

PLANNING & SERVICES COMMITTEE

15 MARCH 2011

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Offices, 7 Connell Street, Limavady at 7.00 pm on the above date.

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Clerk, Chief Executive, Mr Paul McCahill and Mr Adrian Brown, Planning Service.

APOLOGIES: - None.

EARTHQUAKES:

A minutes silence was observed for those who had lost their lives following the recent earthquakes in Japan and New Zealand.

MINUTES:

The minutes of meeting dated 15 February 2011 were approved and signed on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Councillor McElhinney.

MATTERS ARISING: - None.

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

Mr Brown answered queries on applications listed on the deferred applications schedule and the decisions were accepted subject to the following.

D1 - B/2009/0067/F – retention of a yard used for the hire and sales of vehicles and additional perimeter landscaping, adjoining 64 Ballykjelly Road, Limavady (Mr O Harper) It was agreed that decision on this application would be held for 4 weeks.

D8 - B/2010/0305/F – conversion of existing dwelling to a pair of semi-detached houses including front extension for entrance porches adjacent to 127 Baranailt Road, Drumraighland, Limavady (Mr Paul McArthur): Council disagreed with the decision to refuse this application.

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

Mr Brown answered queries on applications listed on the new applications schedule and outlined the nature of any objections. The recommendations were accepted subject to the following:

B/2010/0270/O – site for 2no one and a half storey dwelling adjacent to 7 Bolea Park, Bolea, Limavady (Mr Columb Henry) Council disagreed with the decision to approve this application.

B/2010/0404/F – conversion of existing barn to proposed art studio gallery, and dance studio with guest accommodation adjacent to no 155 Duncrun Road, Limavady (Colin Gardner) Office meeting agreed.

B/2010/0418/F – retention of play and storage building 198 Legavallon Road, Drumsurn (Mr Michael Taggart) It was agreed that decision on this application would be held for 4 weeks.

B/2010/0423/O – site for replacement dwelling with traditional rural dwelling 110m west of 102 Duncrun Road, Bellarena, Limavady (Mr Noel McGee) Office meeting agreed.

B/2011/0010/O – site for two dwellings on lands between 40 and 42 Drumsurn Road, Limavady (Drenagh Estate) Office meeting agreed.

Alderman G Robinson joined the meeting at 7.40 pm.

Queries outside the Schedules:

- Mr Brown advised that contentious applications to be approved over the election period and up to the AGM would be brought to Council through the streamlined list. Noted.

ROADS:

Proposed Speed Limits: Members were informed that Roads Service were proposing to introduce new speed limits associated with the A2 dualling works between Maydown and Longfield. There were no adverse comments from members to the proposals.

Increase in Parking Charges: Members objected to the proposed increase in parking charges and said that this prohibitive tax would be detrimental too small businesses. It was agreed that members' comments would be forwarded to the Divisional Road Manager.

Accident Blackspot: It was suggested that Roads Service introduce measures to minimise the number of accidents which occurred at Drumrane Road/Gortnaghey Road junction.

WATER & SEWERAGE: - None.

HOUSING:

Sale of Shackleton Army Barracks: It was agreed that the Chief Executive would write to the OFMDFM to request that the Assembly consider gifting part of Shackleton Barracks to the local community and to the Borough in general.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

NAP Update: The Chief Executive informed members that the Examination in Public to the NAP would commence on 19 September 2011. He said that a pre examination meeting had been organised for 3 May in Ballymoney and that objections to the NAP had to be lodged by 1 April 2011. It was agreed that the PAC would be asked to reschedule the pre examination meeting in light of the elections.

Medallion Shield Final: It was agreed that a letter would be forwarded to Limavady Grammar School to wish the school rugby team best wishes in the Medallion Shield final.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: - 21 June 2011.

THE BUSINESS CONCLUDED AT 8.10 PM.

Chair: _____