LIMAVADY BOROUGH COUNCIL COMHAIRLE BHUIRG LÉIM AN MHADAIDH

PLANNING & SERVICES COMMITTEE 16 FEBRUARY 2010

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

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Clerk and Director Environmental Services. Ms Katrina Hope, Planning Service.

APOLOGIES: - Alderman Robinson and the Chief Executive..

MINUTES:

The minutes of meeting dated 19 January 2010 were approved and signed on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Councillor Cubitt.

MATTERS ARISING: - None.

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

The applications and decision listed on the deferred schedule were accepted without comment.

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

Ms Hope answered queries on applications listed on the new applications schedule and the recommendations were accepted subject to the following:

Office Meetings: It was agreed that office meetings would be held on Friday 26 February 2010 for the following applications:

B/2009/0240/F – proposed chalet dwelling and detached domestic double garage as a replacement existing stone outbuildings at 47 Aghanloo Road, Limavady (Mr J Gillen);

B/2009/0298/O – erection of off site replacement dwelling 20 metres north of 38 Mullaghmeash Road, Feeny (Mr J McLaughlin);

B/2009/0376/F – erection of one & a half storey replacement dwelling with retention of existing attached domestic garage 56 & 58 Dunlade Road, Greysteel (Mr J O'Hara);

B/2009/0404/F – erection of 2 no two storey replacement dwellings with detached garage and associated site works on lands between 249 & 251 Clooney Road, Greysteel (Ms T Cassidy);

B/2009/0411/F – demolition of existing dwelling and erection of two storey dwelling house with garage 103 Ballyquin Road, Limavady (M B Mullan);

B/2009/0418/F – erection of single storey traditional rural farm dwelling on lands adjacent to existing farmyard at 170 Baranailt Road, Limavady (Estate of Mr J Miller);

B/2009/0440/F – erection of replacement dwelling (chaltet style) and conversion of existing dwelling to garage/store, 20 Point Road, Magilligan, Limvady (Mr J Canning);

B/2009/0444/F – erection of 3 storey building consisting of 3 commercial units, 42 Main Street, Limavady (Mr S Mullan);

B/2009/0455/F – erection of two detached replacement dwellings with detached garages/stores on sites I & J some 650m W.S.W. of Ashpark, Killunaght Road, Feeny (Mr J Stevenson);

B/2009/0457/O – replacement of existing dwelling and outbuilding with a traditional rural dwelling and detached garage/store, 72 Teeavan Road, Dungiven, attached to 70 Teeavan Road (Mr A Miller);

B/2009/0466/F – erection of two storey maisonette/apartment attached to gable of 1 Mill Place, Limavady, adjoining 1 Mill Place, Limavady (Mr E Bradley);

B/2009/0476/F – erection of two storey chalet style dwelling with detached garage/store, adjacent to 27 Ballynarrig Road, Ballydarrog, Limavady (Mr T Hamilton).

PRESENTATION BY PATIENT & CLIENT COUNCIL (PCC):

The Chair welcomed Mr John Keanie and Ms Maureen Gormely, Patient Client Council to the meeting.

Mr Keanie outlined that the PCC was a powerful, independent voice in health and social care for patients, clients, carers and communities. He explained the structure of the PCC consisted of Chair, Chief Executive and 16 board members made up from the community & voluntary sector, local councils, trade union and lay people. He said that the function of the PCC were to engage with the public & promote public involvement; help people making a complaint and provide advice & information.

Mr Keanie advised that over 3,600 people had made contact with the PCC in 2009/10, 490 new clients were seeking advocacy support and over 1,000 people had been asked for their views on health and social care. He said that work to date included concentrating on Priorities for Action, creating forums for people to be heard, the Banford Monitoring Group and working with providers on specific

issues. He added that the plan for the next 12 months included the development of innovative engagement processes for patients, clients and carers via the internet; development of a framework for advocacy services across HSC and to identify and support at least one major issue of concern. For example cancer patients receive chemotherapy but if they become ill, they have to sit in Accident & Emergency for hours and the message from the public was that this was unacceptable.

Points made in the discussion which followed included:

- Too many patients were being discharged from hospital with inadequate care packages in place and this put a greater reliance on families to provide care.
- It was rumoured that Waterside Hospital was to close and patients would be put in care homes.
- Many people did not know that the role of the PCC Support Officer was help and advise people on how to make a complaint about a service.
- The problem of suicide and treatment availability would be looked at following the Banford Review.
- The annual cost for the PCC was £1.5 million and this covered costs for the board, research and consultations. The PCC had to provide results to justify that it was value for money.
- Things were changing with regard to long waiting lists for services.
- Concern was raised that visiting times in care homes were being reduced to a half hour.

The Chair thanked Mr Keanie and Ms Gormley for attending the meeting.

ROADS:

- It was pointed out that Roads Service should have salted roads that traffic was diverted to when Baranailt Road was closed as a number of vehicles had been involved in accidents due to black ice.
- A member requested that the Ulster Farmers Union remind farmers to clear roads from cuttings when they trimmed their hedges.

WATER AND SEWERAGE: - None.

HOUSING: - None.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

A member requested that the survey on traffic management in Ballykelly be implemented as soon as possible.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: - 16 March 2010.

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

Chair: _____