

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

**PLANNING & SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**18 FEBRUARY 2014**

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

**PRESENT:**

Aldermen M Coyle and J Rankin. Councillors O Beattie, A Brolly, B Chivers, B Douglas, T McCaul (chair), J McCorkell, S McGlinchey, C McLaughlin, G Mullan, D Nicholl, A Robinson, E Scott and E Stevenson.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chief Executive, Personal Assistant and Ms Andree McNee, Planning Service.

**APOLOGIES:** - None

**MINUTES:**

The minutes of meeting dated 21 January 2014 were approved and signed on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Councillor McGlinchey.

**MATTERS ARISING:** - None

**SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

**(Deferred applications – see appendix):**

The recommendation to the application listed on the deferred application schedule was accepted by members subject to the following comment:

**D1 – B/2013/0055/O: Replacement of an existing vacant dwelling and wallsteads with a new traditional rural dwelling complete with a detached garage/store, 52D Craigbrack Road, Killywool, Eglinton (W J Dickson Chartered Architect):** Application to be deferred for a further month to allow for a meeting with the local MP.

**D2 – B/2013/0182/O: Site for 2 storey dwelling and garage to replace existing vernacular building, 130 m west of 91 Dunlade Road, Greysteel (Mark Houston Design):** Application withdrawn from the schedule as amended plans submitted and to be brought back to Council in due course.

**D4 – B/2013/0198/A: retention of signage to front and rear of building, 15-17 Linenhall Street, Limavady (5050 Architectural Services):** Application withdrawn from the schedule as amended plans submitted and to be brought back to Council in due course.

**(New applications – see appendix)**

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

**B/2013/0234/O – site for two storey farm dwelling adjacent to 132 Glenhead Road, Ballykelly (T McBride Architects):** Office meeting agreed.

**B/2013/0240/O – site for infill dwelling adjacent to 133 Baranailt Road, Limavady (Shane Birney Architects):** Office meeting agreed.

**B/2013/0282/F – change of use from public bar to amusement centre, 40 Main Street, Dungiven (Shane Birney Architects):** A number of members expressed concern at the change of use to an amusement centre in the current economic climate. Noted.

The list of appeal decisions issued was noted by members.

### **CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATION C/2013/0248/F**

Given that this application was being dealt with by the Strategic Planning Division, it was agreed that a member of staff from Planning Services HQ be invited to attend the next Planning & Services meeting on 18 March 2014 along with a representative from the agent, Turley Associates. Members were also of the view that contentious applications such as this should be processed by the local planning office and not Planning Service headquarters.

The Chair advised members that Andree McNee was being transferred within Planning Service and that the new planning officer, Graham Walker, would attend the next meeting. Members offered their thanks and gratitude to Ms McNee for her work during her time covering the Limavady area.

### **PRESENTATION BY TRANSLINK**

The Chair welcomed Mr Clive Bradberry and Mr Eugene O'Brien to the meeting.

Mr Bradberry delivered a presentation on the renewal works which had already taken place on the Coleraine – Derry/Londonderry line and outlined the proposed phase 2 works which would commence in Autumn 2014 until the end of 2016 to:

- Provide a new Route Relay Interlocking Signalling System between Coleraine – Derry/Londonderry
- Provide a passing loop at Bellarena with two new platforms
- Remove the existing passing loop at Castlerock
- Construct a platform extension on Platform No 1 at Castlerock
- Improve arrangements at User Worked Crossings

Members welcomed these steps to upgrade the route but were disappointed that there was no provision for a halt at Ballykelly or no plans for cross border expansion. In response Mr Bradberry pointed out that while a halt at Ballykelly could be facilitated, costings in the region of £8m had been provided to DARD which was in the process of making a business case for funding and undertook to take on board the suggestion from Councillor Scott for a bus connection service at Bellarena train station.

The Chair thanked Mr Bradberry and Mr O'Brien for attending the meeting.

**ROADS:** - None.

**WATER & SEWERAGE:**

**Ballyleagry Road:** Councillor Chivers highlighted the problem of flooding at Ballyleagry Road and requested that the Chief Executive write to Rivers Agency as advice from Roads Service staff was that the pipework was inadequate.

**HOUSING:** - None.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** - None.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** - 18 March 2014

**THE BUSINESS CONCLUDED AT 7.55 PM.**

**Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_