

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

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

19 OCTOBER 2010

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Offices, 7 Connell Street, Limavady at 8.10 pm on the above date.

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Personal Assistant, Chief Executive, Director Environmental Services, Waste Services Manager and Operations Manager.

APOLOGIES:

Councillors B Douglas and A Robinson.

MINUTES:

The minutes of meeting dated 21 September 2010 were approved on the proposal of Alderman Coyle, seconded by Councillor Carten.

LEASE OF LAND FROM THE HOUSING EXECUTIVE AT POLLYSBREA ROAD

The Chief Executive reported that Council had entered into a lease with the Northern Ireland Housing Executive in 1980 for an area of ground at Pollysbrae Road, Largy for an annual rent of £50. He added that Council had recently received correspondence from NIHE which advised that it had been discovered that ownership of a small strip of land at the boundary was registered to another owner. The Chief Executive advised that while the land in question was the location of Council's play and a kick-about area, this strip of land had never in reality been within Council's boundary and as such was of no significant importance. He therefore recommended that the lease/lease map be updated to reflect the existing boundaries and that Council seek some financial reimbursement in respect of rent paid since 1980.

DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS – OCTOBER 2010:

Building Control Department:

The Director of Environmental Services presented the Building Control Report which detailed applications approved and issued between 1 – 30 September 2010, Entertainment Licences issued, Property Certificates issues and Facilities Management & Energy Management Report. The report adopted on the proposal of Alderman Michael Coyle, seconded by Councillor Michael Carten.

Proposal to Amend Building Regulations

The Director of Environmental Services reported that the Department of Finance & Personnel were currently consulting on major proposals to amend the Building Regulations in 2011 which is likely to lead to increased requirements for staff training and IT support systems and it was agreed that a response would be issued to the Department in respect of the phase 1 consultation exercise.

Environmental Health Department:

The Director Environmental Services presented the Environmental Health Report which detailed information relating to Food Safety; Health & Safety, Licensing & Regulatory and Pollution Control. The recommendations were accepted on the proposal of Councillor Cathal Ó hOisín, seconded by Councillor Butcher.

Technical Services Department:

The Director Environmental Services presented the Technical Services Report and enlarged thereon. The items for information were noted and the report was adopted on the proposal of Alderman Michael Coyle, seconded by Councillor Cathal Ó hOisín subject to the following:

Household Recycling Centre, Dungiven: It was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Michael Coyle, seconded by Councillor Anne Brolly that if a positive response was not received from Planning Service within the next two weeks Council would write to the Minister to express concern at the lack of progress in processing this application which was submitted in February 2009. Alderman George Robinson also undertook to raise this issue directly with the Minister.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Christmas Lights: Alderman George Robinson requested that consideration be given to providing lights in Connell Street car park.

River Footwalk: Councillor McElhinney requested that Council investigate the possibility of replacing the Sheskin river footwalk at Killywool/Glebe, Greysteel.

Dog Fouling Bins: Councillor McElhinney requested additional red bins in the Greysteel area.

Open Space, Hyacinth Avenue: Councillor McElhinney reported that cars had been damaged by youths playing football in the open space at Hyacinth Avenue and sought confirmation regarding ownership of this land.

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 15 November 2010.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS

(The meeting ended at 9.15 pm)

Signed: _____
Chair of Meeting