

**LIMAVADY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
COMHAIRLE BHUIRG LÉIM AN MHADAIDH  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**20 APRIL 2006**

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

**PRESENT:**

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

**In Attendance:** Committee Clerk, Director of Environmental Services and the Chief Executive.

**APOLOGIES:**

None

**MINUTES:**

The minutes of meeting dated 21 March 2006 were approved and signed on the proposal of Alderman Robinson, seconded by Councillor Coyle.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

**Drumaduff Dump:** Councillor Chivers requested that the former landfill site at Drumaduff be regularly cleared of flytip material due to general health hazards and the fact that traffic was re-routed via the dump from Ballyquin Road. The Director of Environmental Services clarified that the area was cleared on a regular basis and that installation of cameras to capture those illegally dumping was being considered.

**Relocation of Civic Amenity Site:** The Director of Environmental Services explained that the initial 6 expressions of interest for relocation of Civic Amenity site had been narrowed down to 3 and that Council was contacting the site owners to see if the land was still available.

**Proposed Civic Amenity Site at Dungiven:** The Director of Environmental Services informed members that a meeting was being arranged with Planning Service to discuss a number of issues relating to the proposed Civic Amenity site at Legavallon Road.

**DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS – APRIL 2006:**

***Building Control Department:***

The Building Control report which detailed applications approved, acknowledged and issued between 15 March 2006 and 11 April 2006; Entertainment and Occasional Licences issued under the Local Government (Miscellaneous

Provisions) (NI) Order 1985 and Facilities Management & Energy Management Report was approved on the proposal of Alderman Robinson, seconded by Councillor Carten subject to the following:

**Request for Bilingual Street Name Plates:** It was agreed under Street Naming and Property Numbering Policy that a bilingual street name plate be erected at Sunvale Park, Greysteel (Páirc Ghleann Na Gréine).

**Benone Tourist Complex Tennis Courts:** It was agreed to accept tender submitted by Clive Robinson for resurfacing of tennis courts at Benone Tourist Complex in the sum of £23,500.

**Benone Tourist Complex Play Area:** Council agreed to retrospectively approve tender submitted by Play and Leisure Services Ltd for the supply and fit of play area at Benone Tourist Complex in the sum of £27,000.

**Training Room Refurbishment:** It was agreed to retrospectively approve the following quotations submitted for refurbishment of training room:

<i>Tables</i>	<i>Limavady Printing Company</i>	<i>£1705</i>
<i>Projector</i>	<i>NIAVAC</i>	<i>£1553</i>
<i>Chairs</i>	<i>McLaughlin</i>	<i>£930</i>

**Roe Valley Leisure Centre Fire Alarm:** The Director of Environmental Services detailed quotations received for the installation of a fire alarm system to comply with DDA at Roe Valley Leisure Centre. He said B.P.S, who was currently responsible for fire control maintenance at the Leisure Centre had indicated that if the work was carried out by another contractor, this would give them no option but to terminate their five year contract with Council.

Members pointed out that the tender should be competitive and suggested that B.P.S. be made aware of what other tenders had submitted. It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Butcher, seconded by Councillor Brolly that the Director of Environmental Services try and renegotiate tender price with B.P.S. for the installation of flashing beacons and upgrade of alarm panel.

Councillor Coyle suggested that all staff be trained on DDA and that this be included in new staff inductions.

**Roe Valley Leisure Centre C.H.P:** Approval was agreed for the installation of a heat meter to the C.H.P unit at Roe Valley Leisure Centre to record the amount of fuel used and amount of Co2 emitted to the atmosphere at a cost of £1,828.

**Projector - Council Chamber:** Retrospective approval was agreed for installation of permanent projector system in Council chamber by NIAVAC at a cost of £1,553.

***Environmental Health Department:***

The Director of Environmental Services presented the Environmental Health Report and enlarged thereon. The report and recommendations within were adopted on the proposal of Alderman Rankin, seconded by Councillor Douglas subject to the following:

**Food Law Enforcement Policies:** The Director of Environmental Services explained that in line with requirements of the Code of Practice, Limavady Borough Council's Food Safety Enforcement Policy and Food Standards Enforcement Policy had been updated in relation to new legislation and guidance. It was agreed that the updated policies would be adopted.

**Failure to Comply with Statutory Notices:** Members noted that on 29 March 2006, Ms Marian Baur, owner of Flax Mill Hostel, Derrylane had pleaded guilty to three offences relating to contraventions of article 31(g) of the Health & Safety at Work (NI) Order 1978 and that the Magistrate had imposed a £300 fine for the first offence and conditional discharge of 12 months for the second and third. Mrs Baur was ordered to pay £75 towards Council legal costs and £10 court costs. Members also noted that the premises were no longer operating as a hostel.

**Draft Smoking (NI) Order 2006:** The Director of Environmental Services informed members that on 17 October 2005, Shaun Woodward, Minister for Health, Social Services and Public Safety announced that comprehensive controls on smoking in enclosed workplaces and public place would be introduced by April 2007 to protect the public from exposure to second hand smoke. He said that the proposed controls should be welcomed as they were one of the most significant public health measures to be introduced for decades and that response to the draft smoking order should be submitted by 5 May 2006

Council endorsed the proposed legislation on smoking in enclosed workplaces together with the suggested comments to the consultation questionnaire.

**Regulation of Cosmetic Piercing and Skin Colouring Businesses:** It was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Rankin, seconded by Councillor Douglas that Council pass the following resolution regarding the new provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985 in relation to making of Cosmetic Piercing and Skin Colouring Byelaws:

- (a) to authorise the affixing of the common seal to the draft byelaws; and
- (b) to authorise the Chief Executive to carry out the necessary procedures and apply to the DHSSPS for confirmation of the byelaws.

It was also agreed that notice of Council's intention to apply for confirmation of the Byelaws would be published in two local newspapers and that a copy of the Byelaws would be available at Council offices for public inspection for one month.

***Technical Services Department:***

The Director of Environmental Services presented the Technical Services Report and enlarged thereon. The report and recommendations therein were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Coyle, seconded by Councillor Chivers subject to the following:

**Water Chillers:** Members agreed to accept the quotation received from MDR Water for supply and fitting of 2 under sink water chillers at a cost of £580+VAT.

**Benone Tourist Complex – Paint for Splash Pool:** It was agreed that Council would accept the quotation received from Johnstones Leyland for supply and delivery of paint for splash pool at Benone Tourist Complex at a cost of £4,492.57+VAT.

**Installation of Play Equipment, Resurfacing of Car Park, Footpath and Fencing at Curragh Road, Dungiven:** The Director of Environmental Services explained that the budget allocation for the play area, fence, path and car park surfacing at Curragh Road had been set at £58,000 but that the minimum combined costs to Council based on tenders already received was £72,557. He recommended that the Technical Services Manager seek new tender for provision of footpath adjoining Curragh Road and IbeX fencing and that it was envisaged that these works could be completed within the budget figure of £58,000 due to cost saving in not resurfacing the car park at this time. Agreed.

It was also agreed that Council accept the tender received from Total Play / Crawford Contracts Ltd for installation of play equipment at a cost of £39,830.

**Audit of Play Areas:** The Director of Environmental Services tabled Audit Report on provision of play areas in the Borough. He confirmed that allocation had been made within the current year's budget for play areas at Magilligan and Aghanloo and that Council were awaiting planning approval/third party works for play areas at Dernaflaw and Foreglen, all to be provided at full cost to Council.

In the discussion that followed it was agreed that Council needed to set a specific sum for provision of play areas within the rates budget. It was also agreed that the Director of Environmental Services would bring a recommendation regarding upgrading of current play areas for younger children and that this be considered when Council's Open Space Strategy was being reviewed in 6 months time.

Councillor Cubitt requested that the fence at Blackburn Path be fixed. Agreed.

#### **COURSES/CONFERENCES:**

**CIEH Annual Conference & Exhibition:** It was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Rankin that the one officer from the Environmental Health Department attend the CIEH conference and exhibition to be held 5 – 7 September 2006 in Bournemouth International Centre at a cost of £652.13.

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Sign at Dungiven - Clean:** Councillor Coyle requested that the Field of Hope sign at the entrance to Dungiven be cleaned.

**Noise Levels – Clooney Road:** At the request of Councillor McElhinney the Director of Environmental Services agreed to write to Roads Service requesting repair of dropped manhole and loose manhole covers as this would alleviate noise levels from passing traffic along the Clooney Road, Greysteel.

**Enagh Cemetery:** Alderman Rankin informed members that he had complaints regarding skateboarders and football players entering Enagh Cemetery. Noted.

**NEXT MEETING:** -18 May 2006.

**THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS**  
(The meeting ended at **8.30 pm**)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair of Meeting