

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

PLANNING & SERVICES COMMITTEE

24 APRIL 2012

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 O Beattie, A Brolly, B Chivers, B Douglas, T McCaul (Chair), J McCorkell, S McGlinchey, C McLaughlin, G Mullan, D Nicholl, A Robinson and E Stevenson.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Clerk, Chief Executive and Ms Sharon Mulhern, Planning Service.

APOLOGIES: - None.

MINUTES:

The minutes of meeting dated 20 March 2012 were approved and signed on the proposal of Councillor McLaughlin, seconded by Councillor Chivers.

MATTERS ARISING: - None.

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

Ms Mulhern answered queries on the applications listed on the deferred applications schedule and the decisions were accepted.

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

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

B/2010/0442/F - proposed Hydro-Electric Power Scheme on lands at Bleach Green Lane, Dungiven (Solo Renewables (NI) Ltd) It was highlighted that the fishing sector had a number of concerns about the approval of this application. Councillor Douglas queried why objections had not been submitted sooner and proposed that Council accept the approval recommendation. This was seconded by Councillor Stevenson.

Councillor Mullan proposed an amendment that due to the concerns raised and potential impact to the environment, that that an urgent office meeting would be held as soon as possible with the relevant case officer from Planning Service Headquarters. The amendment was seconded by Alderman Coyle and on being put to the meeting was declared carried, 9 for, 0 against and 3 abstentions. The substantive motion was put to the meeting and declared carried, 9 for, 0 against and 3 abstentions.

B/2011/0149/F – proposed two storey dwelling with attached garage/store on a farm immediately south of 168 Ballyquin Road, Limavady (Mr and Mrs Robinson) Ms Mulhern advised that this application had been withdrawn from the schedule.

B/2011/0163/O – proposed site for farm dwelling and garage, approximately 60m east of No. 109 Curragh Road, Dungiven (Mr S McCloskey) It was agreed that if the new information submitted to Planning Service was acceptable, that this application would be approved.

B/2011/0281/F – proposed turbine house, water chamber and underground pipe to form part of hydro-electric scheme proposed under Planning NI reference B/2010/0442/F (Solo Renewables (NI) Ltd) It was agreed that approval for this application would be deferred until outcome of office meeting for B/2010/0442/F.

B/2011/0288/F – erection of single storey dwelling adjacent to 76 Duncrun Road, Bellarena, Limavady (Mr and Mrs Ciaran O’Hara) Office meeting agreed.

B/2011/0291/O – proposed domestic dwelling with detached garage, septic tank and percolation area 50m east from 35 Sheskin Road, Greysteel (John McCartney) Office meeting agreed.

B/2012/0034/O – site for dwelling and domestic garage (infill site) on lands adjacent to 37 Vale Road, Greysteel (Caoimhe O’Hara) Office meeting agreed.

B/2012/0051/F – part change of use of detached garage/store to a Gun Shop, Firearms Safe and garage/store (Brian McGilligan) Office meeting agreed.

Appeal dates noted.

Outside of Schedule:

- Ms Mulhern advised that she had met with the objectors to the Scroggy Road housing development and that following assessment; a recommendation would be brought back to Council.

APPEAL AGAINST ENFORCEMENT NOTICE:

The Chief Executive outlined that the Planning Appeals Commission had written to advise of appeal against an enforcement notice for alleged unauthorised unit of residential accommodation on land at 12 Drumrane Road, Dungiven. He said representation it should be submitted to the PAC before 22 May 2012. Noted.

ROADS:

Drainage – Market Street: A member highlighted that the drainage system at the top of Market Street was unable to cope with the heavy rain that had fallen the previous weekend and this had resulted in flooding. Noted.

WATER & SEWERAGE: - None.

HOUSING: - None.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Draft Northern Area Plan (dNAP): The Chief Executive advised that he had circulated to members an update and summary provided by Michael Graham of White, Young & Green on the outcomes of Stage 2 – Site Specific Evidence for Limavady Borough Council at the dNAP Examination in Public, which concluded on 22 March 2012. He said that the Commissioners would consider all objections, strategic and site specific before making their recommendations to the DoE which was estimated to be completed by the end of 2013.

Members welcomed that the Department had conceded that there was no need to have Shanreagh Park open space zoned for housing.

E Counting: The Chief Executive informed members that the Electoral Office had written to advise of e counting demonstration being held on 31 May 2012 in Belfast City Hall. It was agreed that members would confirm their attendance through the Chief Executive's Office.

Civic Reception: It was agreed that a Civic Reception would be held for ex Councillor, Brian Brown in acknowledgment of his charitable work over the years.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: - 15 May 2012.

THE BUSINESS CONCLUDED AT 7.55 PM.

Chair: _____