

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

**NOVEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2004**

Minutes of monthly meeting held in the Council Offices, 7 Connell Street, Limavady at 7.30 pm on the above date.

**PRESENT:**

**In the Chair:** Councillor Rankin

**Other Members:** Aldermen M. Carten and J. Dolan. Councillors A. Brolly, B. Brown, B. Chivers, M. Coyle, L. Cubitt, M. Donaghy, B. Douglas, D. Lowry, G. Mullan, M. McGuigan and E. Stevenson

**In Attendance:** Committee Clerk, Chief Environmental Health Officer, Chief Technical Services Officer and the Acting Chief Finance and Administration Officer

**APOLOGIES:**

Alderman G. Robinson, Chief Finance & Administration Officer, Chief Recreation & Tourism Officer and the Town Clerk.

**MINUTES:**

The minutes of monthly meeting dated October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004 were approved and signed on the proposal of Councillor Coyle seconded by Alderman Dolan.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

**Market Street Pedestrian Zone:** The Chief Technical Service Officer informed members that Roads Service had confirmed by letter dated November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2004 that Market Street was strictly a pedestrian zone and the right of vehicles to use the street was for emergency vehicles, goods vehicles and vehicles used for the collection and delivery of certain goods between 6pm and 10:30 acting upon the direction or with the permission of a constable in uniform or a traffic warden. He also informed members that the PSNI had confirmed in a letter dated November 9<sup>th</sup>, that the situation had been exacerbated by the parking of contractor's vehicles which were involved in the refurbishment of premises and the situation would continue to be monitored by the town beat officer.

**CHANGE MANAGEMENT SUB COMMITTEE:**

It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Coyle, seconded by Councillor Donaghy that this item be discussed **IN COMMITTEE**.

Members requested that this item be taken back to the sub committee prior to being ratified by Council. Councillor Douglas reiterated that he had deep reservations that the report did not address the level of savings suggested in the Audit Report.

Councillor Brown requested that discussions and the full report remain in confidence. Agreed. **OUT OF COMMITTEE**

## **TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT OF ALDERMAN ROBINSON ON THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES**

It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Brolly, seconded by Councillor Rankin that Councillor Cubitt serve on the following committees in the temporary absence of Alderman Robinson:

- a. Association of Direct Labour Organisations
- b. Change Management Sub-Committee
- c. Corporate Gift Sub-Committee
- d. Home Accident Prevention Committee
- e. National Association of Councillors
- f. Northern Corridor Railway Task Force/Regional Transport Strategy
- g. Roe Valley Chamber of Trade and Commerce
- h. Town Twinning Committee
- i. Western Health & Social Services Board Liaison Committee

It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Cubitt, seconded by Councillor Brolly that Alderman Dolan represent Alderman Robinson on the following committee during his absence:

- a. Limavady Sports Advisory Committee

### **LICENCES:**

**Notification of Application to Court for provisional grant of a Licence at Lidl, Main Street, Limavady:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Coyle, seconded by Councillor Donaghy that Council offer no objection to this proposal.

**The Betting, Gaming, Lotteries & Amusements (NI) Order 1985 – Application for the Renewal of an Amusement Permit:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Coyle, seconded by Councillor Donaghy that Mr. I. Madden's application for the renewal of an Amusement Permit in respect of premises at 11c Main Street, Limavady, be approved subject to confirmation of a valid Fire Certificate in accordance with the Northern Ireland Fire Authority.

### **COURSES/CONFERENCES:**

**Houses Courses for Councillors and Public Representatives:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Coyle, seconded by Alderman Dolan that Alderman Carten attend the above conference to be held February 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at the Radisson Hotel, Limavady at a cost of £223.00 (excluding accommodation).

**NILGA Annual Conference 2005 'Local Government: Making Choices' -** It was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Carten, seconded by Councillor Rankin that Councillor Coyle would attend the above conference to be held on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2005 in the Radisson Hotel, Limavady at a cost of £180 (excluding accommodation). Alderman Dolan proposed, seconded by Alderman Carten that Councillor Cubitt attend, Councillor Cubitt proposed Alderman Dolan attend, seconded by Alderman Carten and Councillor Brolly proposed Councillor Chivers attend, seconded by Councillor Donaghy.

**WESTERN HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL:**

**Minutes:** Minutes of meeting held October 2004 were tabled and noted.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Roe Fold Residents Concerns Regarding Town Hall Renovations:** Councillor Lowry requested members of Roe Fold attend a council meeting in order for them to air their concerns regarding the use of the access road during the demolition and restoration of the Town Hall. Councillor Lowry offered to write a letter on behalf of the Group in accordance with Council's Standing Orders. It was suggested that a member of Consarc also be in attendance to answer their concerns.

**Council's Server:** The Acting Chief Finance and Administration Officer requested permission to replace Council's servers. It was proposed by Councillor Rankin seconded by Alderman Carten to purchase new servers.

**Events Company:** Councillor Rankin informed members that he had written to the Minister Angela Smith following the announcement of the drastic cuts proposed in funding from the Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure to request that she review the budgets and to restore them to a realistic figure which would allow the Northern Ireland Events Company to effectively deliver an events strategy for Northern Ireland. It was noted a similar letter had been issued by the Town Clerk.

**School Visit to Vigneux:** It was proposed by Councillor Lowry, seconded by Alderman Dolan that the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Coyle attend on behalf of the Mayor in the forthcoming visit to Vigneux in December 2004.

**Disciplinary Hearing:** It was proposed by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Lowry that this discussion be held **IN COMMITTEE**.

Councillor Rankin read a statement from the Local Government Staff Commission requesting a sub-committee be established consisting of five members to hear Mr. McNally's Appeal against the final written warning recommended by Mr. T. Martin, Employee Relations Consultant on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2004. The following members were elected: Councillor Stevenson, proposed by Councillor Brown, seconded by Alderman Dolan, Councillor Lowry, proposed by Councillor Coyle, seconded by Alderman Carten, Councillor Donaghy, proposed by Councillor Brolly, seconded by Councillor McGuigan, Councillor Mullan, proposed by Councillor Coyle, seconded by Alderman Dolan and finally Councillor Chivers proposed by Councillor Brolly, seconded by Councillor Coyle.

The Chair also reiterated the importance of confidentiality in this matter and discussions thereon should remain in committee. Noted. **OUT OF COMMITTEE.**

**FORMAL CORRESPONDENCE:**

- The Northern Ireland Assembly Elections 2003 November 2004
- Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission Annual Report 2004
- Public Appointments Annual Report 2003/2004 November 2004
- Postwatch Annual Report 2003/2004
- The Architectural Heritage Fund Annual Review 2003/2004

**NEXT MEETING:**

December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2004 (following directly after Finance & General Purposes Committee).

**THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS**

**(The meeting ended at 8:35 pm)**