**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD**

**ON MONDAY 19TH AUGUST 2013**

**In the Chair**: Councillor C McShane

**Members Present**: Councillors J Baird, S Blaney, D F Cunningham, W Graham, S Hunter, R D McDonnell, R A McIlroy, M A McKillop, P McShane, C C Thompson.

**Also Present**: Mr R G Lewis, Clerk and Chief Executive

Mr A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services

Mrs E Mulholland, Director of Development Services

Ms L Scullion, Community Services Manager

Mrs K Murphy, Cohesion Officer

Mrs D Kinney, Good Relations Officer

Ms R McMenamin, Planning Service

Ms L Mooney, Member Services/Clerical Officer

**13/19:01 APOLOGIES AND CHAIRMAN’S BUSINESS**

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillors S McKillop, N McAllister, D M McAllister and C McCambridge.

Chairman’s Business

Councillor S McKillop’s attendance at Council Meetings

It was noted that an email had been received from Councillor S McKillop stating that she had informed Council on 22nd July that it would not be possible for her to attend Council Meetings until further notice due to medical reasons.

It was noted that the PA to the CE had thought that the notice given on 22nd July had been for that meeting only.

Lammas Fair Judging

It was agreed that Councillor McIlroy would take the place of Councillor Blaney who was unable to attend.

**13/19:02 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29TH JULY 2013**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29th July 2013 having been circulated, were taken as read.

It was agreed that the following amendments would be made to the minutes;

13/17:06

Underage sale of cigarettes – Clarification of the officer’s recommendation would be added along with the phrase ‘a written warning only’ in the amendment.

Sheep Worrying Case – There would be clarification of the proposal and way the recorded vote was taken and also clarification of the decision that no written warning be issued in this case.

After discussion,

Councillor Baird proposed,

Seconded by Councillor Blaney and resolved,

“That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29th July 2013 be adopted subject to these amendments.”

**13/19:03 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29TH JULY 2013**

Barriers at Dunseverick Picnic Area

It was confirmed that the barriers at Dunseverick Picnic area had now been closed.

**13/19:04** **APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

The Planning Schedule which had been circulated was taken as read.

E/2012/0055/F Ms A M Donnelly, C/O Mark McAleese, 64 Haw Road, Bushmills, BT57 8YJ. Location, 1 Carnduff Park, Ballycastle, Co Antrim. Proposed alterations to and retention of boundary to dwelling. (Recommended for Approval)

E/2012/0091/F H and A Stewart, C/O Wilson McMullen Architects, 19 Glenvale Avenue, Portrush, BT56 8HL. Location, 176 Causeway Road, Bushmills, Co Antrim. Proposed replacement dwelling and detached garage. (Recommended for Approval)

E/2012/0154/F The National Trust, Regional Office Rowallane, Saintfield, Belfast. Location, Runkerry Road, Bushmills, Co Antrim. Proposed new pedestrian and cycle path to link existing Portballintrae/Causeway Path to the Causeway Hotel and New Visitor Centre. (Recommended for Approval)

The above three applications were approved.

E/2012/0218/F Tim McPeake, C/O Bailey Architecture, 9 Glenview Road, Glenshesk Road, Ballycastle. Location, 39 Gortamaddy Drive, Ballycastle, Co Antrim. Proposed rear/side extension to existing house and garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

E/2012/0232/F Old Bushmills Distillery, C/O R Robinson and Sons Ltd, 59 High Street, Ballymoney. Location, Old Bushmills Distillery, Bushmills, Co Antrim. Proposed new office building providing new reception area, public spaces, meeting and office areas with associated document stores, W/C and kitchen facilities including additional staff car parking provision. (Recommended for Refusal)

E/2012/0003/RM J McNaughton, C/O Diamond Design Studio, 5 Straid Road, Ballycastle. Location, 120m east of 77 Glenariff Road, Waterfoot, Co Antrim. Proposed farm dwelling. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above three applications were deferred for one month for further information.

E/2013/0053/F Mr P McLean, C/O Mrs S Montgomery (Hydro NI) Quarryhill, Carrignagroghera, Fermoy, Cork. Location, Turbine House, 90m NW of 12 Glenmakeeran Road, Ballycastle, Co Antrim, BT54 6PU. Proposed development of a microhydroelectric, Renewable Energy System on a Burn Flowing into the Glenmakeeran River to generate electricity. (Recommended for Approval)

The above application was approved.

Deferred Items

E/2011/0219/O Mr and Mrs G McNeill, C/O Gary McNeill, 14 Cave Road, Cushendun, BT44 0PN. Location, immediately SW of 201B Torr Road, Cushendun. Proposed site for Farm Dwelling and Detached Garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

Councillors McDonnell and Blaney disagreed with the recommendation.

The above application was refused.

E/2012/0196/O Mr P McNaughton, C/O Bailey Architecture, 9 Glenview Road, Glenshesk, BT54 6QE. Location, 25m SE of 74 Glenariff Road, Co Antrim. Proposed dwelling on a farm.

The above application was approved.

It was agreed that Council would be notified of the date for the Office Meeting.

Councillors P and C McShane left the meeting at this point.

**13/19:05 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT**

The Environmental Services Report, having been circulated, was taken as read.

Tender for New Plumbers Van

After discussion, it was agreed that Charles Hurst would be awarded the tender for the supply of one new panel van for the sum of £9,376.47.

RDP Project Applications

Reference was made to three projects recently submitted to RDP for tourism projects with a maximum project grant available of £30,000 providing 75% of the project costs.

After discussion,

Councillor M A McKillop proposed,

Seconded by Councillor C McShane and resolved,

“That Council agree to approve match funding of £30,000 for RDP Projects listed if they are successful in the assessment panel.”

Councillors P and C McShane returned to the meeting.

Response to the Recycling Bill Consultation

Following discussion, during which the following issues were raised, recycling targets, food waste and costs involved, it was agreed to approve Council’s draft response to the Recycling Bill Consultation.

On a vote being taken, there were eight in favour of and one against. It was therefore agreed to approve the response to the Recycling Bill Consultation.

Signage for Portaneevey Car Park

It was agreed that the sign at the entrance to Portaneevey would be looked at with a view to replacement if required.

Addendum to Environmental Services Report

Request for Council Assistance for the Salmon & Whiskey Festival

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the request for Council assistance for the Salmon & Whiskey Festival listed with the exception of the opening of the VIC for the week leading up to the festival.

NIEA Letter & Enforcement Notice Re: Sampling Results at Carneatly Recycling Centre

Reference was made to a letter and enforcement notice which had been received from NIEA regarding samples taken at Carneatly Recycling Centre during February, April and May 2013.

After discussion, it was agreed to comply with the requirements of the Enforcement Notice and proceed with advice from a Specialist Consultant.

After discussion,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,

Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,

“That the Environmental Services Report be adopted.”

**13/19:06 INTERIM DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT**

The Interim Development Services Report, having been circulated, was taken as read.

Small Tourism Events Fund

After discussion it was agreed to approve the recommendation of the Community Grants Assessment Panel for the application from Northern Ireland Potato Festival for a grant of £2,500.

Community Services Update

The Community Services Manager, Good Relations Officer and Cohesion Officer delivered a progress report to Council on the last six months. This included information on Community Support, Good Relations and the Community Cohesion Project.

Discussion took place with regard to the unveiling ceremony for the Public Art in Bushmills and the demonstration which had taken place.

Councillor Graham entered the meeting at 8:20pm.

It was agreed that Good Relations Training for Councillors would take place on 10th September at a time to be confirmed.

Community Small Grant

It was agreed in principle to award a Community Small Grant, subject to meeting criteria, to Ballycastle Community Development Group or the Chamber of Commerce for the provision of music at the Diamond on Sunday 25th August.

After discussion,

Councillor Cunningham proposed,

Seconded by Councillor M A McKillop and resolved,

“That the Interim Development Report be adopted.”

**13/19:07 that THIS council SUPPORTS THE COMMUNITY CALL FOR A PLAY PARK AT WATERFOOT AND THAT COUNCIL WORKS PRO-ACTIVELY WITH LOCAL GROUPS AND RESIDENTS TO PROGRESS THE PROJECT**

(Requested by Councillor N McAllister)

It was agreed that this item would be removed from the Agenda until Councillor McAllister’s return.

**13/19:08 CONFERENCES, COURSES**

There were no Conferences for discussion.

**13/19:09 Notices of Applications under the Licensing (NI) Order 1996 and Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (NI) Order 1985**

There were no Notices of Applications to consider.

**13/19:10 Sealing of Documents**

There were no documents for signing and sealing.

**13/19:11 CorrespondencE**

Correspondence circulated on the night

Letter dated 16th August 2013 from Roads Service regarding work required to complete the resurfacing scheme on the A43

This letter was noted.

Councillor Thompson stated that he was opposed to the closure of the road from 9am til 6pm on 31st August, 1st September, 7th September and 8th September.

Letter from Secretaries of the Annual Heavy Horse Show regarding use of Council facilities on Saturday 24th August

After discussion, it was agreed to grant use of facilities including the car park, kitchen and committee room for the Heavy Horse Show on Saturday 24th August.

**The meeting concluded at 21:35pm**

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**CHAIRMAN**

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**CLERK & CHIEF EXECUTIVE**