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

**ON MONDAY 20TH MAY 2013**

**In the Chair**: Councillor S Hunter

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

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

Mrs M Quinn, Director of Corporate Services

Mr A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services

Mr E Mulholland, Director of Development Services

Mr Paul Duffy, Planning Service

Ms L Mooney, Member Services/Clerical Officer

**13/12:01 APOLOGIES AND CHAIRMAN’S BUSINESS**

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillor D McAllister.

Chairman’s Business

NIFRS Workshop

It was agreed that the meeting with NIFRS regarding Ballycastle and Cushendall Fire Stations would be held on Wednesday 21st June at 10:00am at the Council Offices.

Severe Weather

Reference was made to the effect of the severe weather on farmers and the length of time being taken for hardship payments to be made.

After discussion,

 Councillor Baird proposed,

 Seconded by Councillor Graham,

“That a letter be sent to the Minister for Agriculture to ask that the emergency payments to farmers following the severe weather be expedited.”

On a vote being taken, there were five votes in favour of and four votes against the

proposal which was carried.

Water System, Ballycastle

Reference was made to interruptions to water supply in Fairhill Street, Ballycastle and the need for the whole system to be replaced.

After discussion,

 Councillor M A McKillop proposed,

 Seconded by Councillor N McAllister and resolved,

“That a letter be sent to NI Water and the DRD Minister to ask that the water system in Ballycastle be replaced as a matter of priority.”

Rathlin Sound Maritime Festival

It was noted that the Rathlin Sound Maritime Festival was running from Friday 24th May til Sunday 2nd June and that support from Councillors and the local communities would be greatly appreciated.

**13/12:02 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22ND APRIL 2013**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22nd April 2013 having been circulated, were taken as read.

 After discussion,

 Councillor Graham proposed,

 Seconded by Councillor McIlroy and resolved,

“That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22nd April 2013 be adopted.”

**13/12:03 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22ND APRIL 2013**

 Dunseverick Harbour

 In reply to a query, it was reported that the National Trust were due to commence work at Dunseverick Harbour within the next couple of weeks.

**13/12:04** **APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

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

 E/2011/0083/F Mr Nigel Wasson, c/o Newline Architects, 48 Main Street, Castledawson, BT45 8AB. Location, 460m South West of 14 Gracehill Road, Armoy. Proposed erection of 1 no 250kw wind turbine with a hub height of 31m to feed farm business and poultry houses.(Recommended for refusal)

The above application was withdrawn.

E/2012/0062/F Mr S McConaghie, c/o Strategic Planning, 4 Pavillions Office Park, Kinnegar Drive, Holywood, BT18 9JQ. Location 195m West of 129 Moycraig Road, Mosside. Proposed erection of 250kw wind turbine with 32.3m hub height and 32m blade diameter. Power to farm, surplus to grid. (Recommended for approval)

The above application was approved.

E/2012/0172/F Ms F Taylor, c/o Newline Architects, 48 Main Street, Castledawson, BT45 8AB. Location, 17m NE of 3 Carnkirk Cottages, Whitepark Road, Bushmills. Proposed erection of 1 no. residential infill dwelling. (Recommended for refusal)

The above application was withdrawn.

E/2012/0201/F Ms R Mitchell, c/o Michael Carr 22, Messines Park, Derry, BT48 8AP. Location, land adjacent to 86 Knocknacarry Road, Cushendun, Ballymena. Proposed 2 storey dwelling with single storey rear return. (Recommended for approval)

E/2012/0207/F James McNeill, c/o Ross Planning, 9a Clare Lane, Cookstown. Location, 580m North West of 135 Glendun Road, Cushendun, Co Antrim. Proposed hydro-electric scheme, including construction of a wash-over screen and water intake, penstock pipe and water outfall structure. (Recommended for approval)

E/2012/0223/F McMullan Shellfish c/o MKA Planning Ltd, 32 Clooney Terrace, Waterside, Derry. Location lands 10m SW of No 23 Glen Road, Glenariffe. Proposed erection of shed to provide additional assembly, storage & parking for expansion of established shellfish business. (Recommended for approval)

The above three applications were approved.

Deferred Items

E/2009/0415/F Mr A McIntosh, c/o The Boyd Partnership, 1 Rivers Edge, 13 Ravenhill Road, Belfast. Location, 9.5m north west of 7 Glenariffe Road, Glenariffe. Proposed two bedroom self-catering cottage.(Recommended for refusal)

 The above application was withdrawn.

E/2012/0121/F Mr A McKillop, c/o W M McNeill, 30 Knowhead Road, Broughshane, Ballymena. Location, 180m west of 19b Cloughs Road, Cushendall. Proposed new single storey farm workers dwelling with rear return and garage. (Recommended for approval)

The above application was approved.

Discussion took place regarding dereliction funding and Council and the department’s input into the process.

After discussion, it was agreed that Councillor S McKillop would be provided with information on potential dereliction projects in Moyle.

**13/12:05 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT**

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

 It was agreed that the meeting would continue in committee.

 The Dogs (NI) Order 1983

 Councillor S McKillop left the meeting at this point.

After discussion, it was agreed that legal proceedings would be instigated with regard to Person A and Person B under article 29 1 (A) of the Dogs (NI) Order 1983 in relation to the outlined attack on a postman.

 The meeting continued out of committee.

 Petroleum Licences

 Reference was made to the following applications:

 Application for the renewal of a petroleum licence from Bill Kennedy, Armoy Filling Station.

 Application for a petroleum licence from C B Fuels, Bradleys Service Station, Cushendall.

 It was stated that the requirements of Council had been met and the applications were approved.

 Tender for the Provision of Amusements at Lammas Fair 2013 & 14

With regard to the tender for the provision of Amusements at the Lammas Fair for 2013 & 2014 it was agreed to award the contract to Cullen’s Amusements for an income of £16,000 per annum.

Round Ireland 2013 Fund Raising for RNLI

With reference to a request from RNLI it was agreed that they would be permitted use of one free overnight berth for the lifeboat in Ballycastle, on Sunday 16th June 2013 departing again on 17th June, as part of their Round Ireland 2013 Fund Raising event.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985

Application for new Entertainment Licences

Miss S Ward, Limepark Arts & Cottages, Armoy

Mr C McLornan, Marine Hotel, Ballycastle

These were approved, subject to receipt of satisfactory Fire Risk Assessment.

Application for Occasional Entertainments Licences

Rathlin Community Development Association, marquee adjacent to McCuaig’s Bar, Rathlin Island.

Glenariffe GAC, Marquee in grounds of GAC

These were approved, subject to satisfactory PSNI and NIFRS consultations.

The Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (NI) Order 1985

Application for the Registration of a Society

Carey Faughs GAC

This was approved, subject to satisfactory PSNI consultation.

Street Naming – Proposed Naming of a New Development

Reference was made to an application from Triangle Housing Association, regarding naming their development at Ramoan Road, Ballycastle. Knocklayde Court or Knocklayde Place.

After discussion, it was agreed that Triangle Housing Association would be asked to reconsider their suggestion and either fit the new development at Ramoan Road within the existing numbers on Ramoan Road if possible or ask the Primary Schools to come up with suggestions.

Councillor McIlroy left the meeting.

Provision of a gate at Parkview Terrace

Reference was made to damage being done to the fencing at Parkview Terrace.

After discussion, it was agreed that a gate would be provided at the Quay Road Playing Fields to try to prevent further damage.

Addendum to the Environmental Services Report

Application for Bye-Law Registration

Cosmetic Piercing – Heather Kane – 47 Ann Street, Ballycastle.

Acupuncture-

Patricia Sands Robinson – Solas Moyle

Ginny Hamilton – Solas Moyle

These applications were approved.

Councillor McIlroy returned to the meeting.

After discussion,

 Councillor Blaney proposed,

 Seconded by Councillor Cunningham and resolved,

 “That the Environmental Services Report and Addendum be adopted.”

**13/12:06 that this council write to the department for social development committee to ensure that the department adopts a more common sense approach that would allow elected representatives to resolve constituent’s issues by communication directly with the various social services offices**

 **(Requested by Councillor N McAllister)**

After discussion,

Councillor N McAllister proposed,

Seconded by Councillor Baird and resolved,

“That Council write to the Department for Social Development Committee to ask that a system be established to allow direct communication between elected representatives and the various Social Services Offices to allow the speedy resolution of constituent’s issues.”

**13/12:07 REQUEST THAT MOYLE DISTRICT COUNCIL SUPPORT AGE SECTOR PLATFORMS CALL FOR THE RETAILERS TO INTRODUCE A PENSIONER’S DISCOUNT DAY**

(Requested by Councillor Hunter)

 After discussion,

 Councillor Hunter proposed,

 Seconded by Councillor Thompson and resolved,

 “That Council support the Age Sector Platforms call for retailers to introduce a pensioner’s discount day.”

 Councillor P McShane left the meeting.

**13/12:08 CONFERENCES, COURSES**

 There were no Conferences for discussion.

**13/12:09 Notices of Applications under the Licensing (NI) Order 1996 and Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (NI) Order 1985**

Occasional Licence for 26th May 2013, O’Connor’s Bar for the Rathlin Sound Maritime Festival.

There were no objections to the above application.

**13/12:10 Sealing of Documents**

There were no documents for signing and sealing.

**13/12:11 CorrespondencE**

1. Letter dated 7th May 2013 from Down District Council regarding a request for all citizens of the Irish Republic who perceive themselves to be British to be entitled to a British Passport. Correspondence from the UK Border Agency was also attached.

After discussion, it was agreed that Council would write to the North South Ministerial Council declaring support for the motion requesting that all citizens of the Irish Republic who perceive themselves to be British to be entitled to a British Passport

1. Letter dated 8th May 2013 from Royal Dublin Society regarding call for entries for the 2013 RDS Forest Service Irish Forestry Awards.
2. Email dated 9th May 2013 from Community Transport Association NI regarding DOE Road Safety Grants 2013/2014

Correspondence (b) and (c) was noted.

Correspondence circulated on the night

Letter dated 15th May 2013 from the Northern Ireland Environment Agency inviting a representative from Moyle District Council to sit on the Steering Group for the Dunluce Strategic Development Project.

After discussion,

Councillor Thompson proposed,

Seconded by Councillor McIlroy and resolved,

“That Councillor Hunter represent Council in the Steering Group for the Dunluce Strategic Development Project.”

**The meeting concluded at 22:45pm**

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**CHAIRMAN**

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**CLERK & CHIEF EXECUTIVE**