# MOYLE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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18th July 2013

A Council Meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, Sheskburn House on Monday 22nd July 2013 at **7.00pm**

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### AGENDA

1. Apologies and Chairman’s Business.
2. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24th June 2013 (enclosed)
3. Matters arising from the Minutes, as per list.
4. Applications for Planning Permission (see attached Schedule).
5. Presentation from Rathlin Energy.
6. Environmental Services Report (enclosed).
7. Nominations to the Causeway Coast and Glens Statutory Transition Committee (Deferred from Special Meeting of 8th July – copies of DOE Guidance and calculations for d’Hondt and Sainte-Lague are now on the Hub)
8. That this council supports the Armoy community's call for a foot bridge to connect the village with The Gracehill Road to provide safe access to and from Armoy Primary School. Notes the dangers associated with the current access along the road bridge and arranges a meeting with Road Service, Rivers Agency and any other relevant agencies to discuss the project.

(Requested by Councillor Thompson)

1. That this Council supports the community call for a playpark in Waterfoot and that Council works pro-actively with local groups and residents to progress the project.

(Requested by Councillor N McAllister)

1. That this Council writes to Roads Service highlighting our opposition to their decision to completely close the road between Cargin and Parkmore for the three weeks for road works at the height of the tourist season and highlight the implications for emergency ambulance service to The Glens and also the tremendous inconvenience and financial implications for commuters travelling to and from work along the road.

(Requested by Councillor M A McKillop)

1. That this Council recognises many households are struggling to afford their rates bill due to the current economic climate and calls on the Minister for Finance and Personnel to consider the extension of the direct debit payment period for rates from ten to twelve months; and further calls on this Council to write to the Minister to request that this and all other possible mechanisms to alleviate the financial burden on households are explored and implemented.

(Requested by Councillor Cunningham)

1. That Council facilitate discussions with the relevant Government department to enable the former Water Service building (Fairhill Street Ballycastle) to be brought into Community use under the Capital Asset Transfer Scheme.

(Requested by Councillor Cunningham)

1. Delays in surgery at Altnagelvin Hospital are causing undue suffering to our constituents. I propose we write to the Chief Executive of the Causeway Trust to find out why there are delays and if those delays are due to lack of theatre availability at Altnagelvin and is this due to the recent fire in the hospital. What are the Trust proposing to do to resolve the situation and how long will it take before the surgery timetable is restored?

(Requested by Councillor Baird)

1. Conferences, Courses etc
2. Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, Annual Conference 2013. To be held on 12th – 14th September at Inchydoney Lodge and Spa, Clonakilty, Co Cork. (Conference costs €175 plus accommodation, plus travel)
3. National Association of Councillors AGM. To be held on 4th October 2013 at Clandeboye Lodge Hotel, Bangor. (Conference costs, £40 per person plus travel)
4. Northern Ireland Renewables Industry Group, Wind Farm Visit and Wind Energy Seminar for Planners and Councillors. To be held on 12th September 2013, Crighshane, Omagh. (Conference costs, free plus travel)
5. Notices of Applications under the Licensing (NI) Order 1996 and Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (NI) Order 1985.
6. Sealing of Documents
7. Correspondence
8. Letter dated 20th June 2013 from Roy Beggs MLA regarding Cushendall Fire Station (enclosed)
9. Letter from the Department of the Environment regarding Publication of Planning Policy Statement 16 ‘Tourism’ – in final form (enclosed)
10. Letter dated 21st June 2013 from Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety regarding Consultation on Minimum Standards for Independent Healthcare Establishments (enclosed)
11. Letter dated 27th June 2013 from the Department of the Environment regarding Application to discharge Article 40 Agreement associated with E/2000/0266/O for self catering cottage at Clady Road, Cushendun (enclosed)
12. Letter dated 3rd July 2013 from Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure regarding proposed Salmon Conservation Regulations – Consultation (enclosed)
13. Letter dated 4th July 2013 from J H Allister QC MLA regarding the Causeway School (enclosed)
14. Letter dated 5th July 2013 from Northern Health and Social Care Trust regarding Council’s support of the Base drop in facility in Ballycastle (enclosed)
15. Letter dated 8th July 2013 from Roads Service regarding Waiting Restrictions – Runkerry Road, Bushmills (enclosed)
16. Letter dated 8th July 2013 from the Department for Regional Development regarding proposed Road Races (Amendment) Bill (enclosed)
17. Letter dated 9th July 2013 from Department of the Environment regarding severance payments to Councillors (enclosed)
18. Letter dated 9th July 2013 from Councillor Paul Frew MLA regarding the Causeway School (enclosed)
19. Letter dated 9th July 2013 from Minister of the Environment regarding a consultation specific to the future of Northern Ireland vehicle registration snf licensing services and how they are delivered. (enclosed)
20. Letter dated 10th July 2013 from Jo-Anne Dobson MLA regarding the consultation stage of Private Members Bill aimed at changing local Organ Donation Laws (enclosed)
21. Letter dated 11th July 2013 from Northern Ireland Water regarding Interruptions to Water Supply in the Fairhill Street area of Ballycastle (enclosed)
22. Letter dated 11th July 2013 from the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety in response to Council’s letter regarding Cushendall and Ballycastle Fire stations (enclosed)
23. Letter dated 17th July 2013 from Northern Ireland Office regarding the Secretary of State’s Garden Party 2013 (enclosed)
24. Other Correspondence/Reports circulated
25. Correspondence/Reports not circulated
26. Northern Ireland Housing Executive – Rural Action Plan 2013-2015
27. Northern Ireland Housing Executive – Housing Market Review and Housing Research Bulletin 2013 – 2016
28. Clanmill Housing Association’s Communique newsletter – Summer 2013
29. Wave Trust – Conception to age 2 – the age of opportunity – Addendum to the Government’s vision for the Foundation Years.

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## Clerk & Chief Executive

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