

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD
ON MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2014**

In the Chair: Councillor D Cunningham

Members Present: Councillors J Baird, S Blaney, W Graham, S Hunter,
C McCambridge, RD McDonnell, R McIlroy,
MA McKillop, S McKillop, C McShane, P McShane

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

Mrs M Quinn, Director of Corporate Services

Mrs E Mulholland, Director of Development Services

Mr A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services

Mr S Mathers, Planning Service

Ms D Bader, Member Services Clerical Officer

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APOLOGIES AND CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

Apologies

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillor D McAllister.

Chairman's Business

Save the DAL Campaign

The Chair reported on the huge response for the Save the Dal Campaign and thanked everyone who were committed and had contributed to the campaign, but stated that there was a need to maintain energy and momentum.

After discussion,

Councillor P McShane proposed,
Seconded by Councillor MA McKillop and resolved,
"That Council would administer funds raised on behalf of the Save the Dal
Campaign."

It was reported that any excess of funds would be distributed to local health charities.

Members thanked the Chair for taking the lead on this campaign.

With reference to Councillors who attended the meeting with the Minister at Stormont,

Councillor P McShane proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Blaney and resolved,
“That this be an approved duty.”

It was agreed that the motion from Councillor S McKillop would be taken at this point.

THAT THIS COUNCIL GRANTS PERMISSION TO ERECT ART WORK ON THE WOODEN PANELS OF BUSHMILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE MAIN HALL, WHICH WILL BE CREATED BY THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ATTEND THE FRIDAY EVENING BUSHMILLS YOUTH CLUB, AND FOR COUNCIL OFFICERS TO LIAISE WITH THE YOUTH GROUP TO REACH AGREEMENT ON DESIGN, QUANTITY AND LOCATION OF SAME.

(Requested by Councillor S McKillop)

After discussion,

Councillor S McKillop proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,
“That Council would grant permission to Bushmills Youth Club for the young people who attend the Friday evening Youth Club to create and erect art work on the wooden panels of Bushmills Community Centre Main Hall, and for Council Officers to liaise with the youth group to reach agreement on design, quantity and location of same.”

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27TH OCTOBER 2014

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27th October 2014, were taken as read.

Councillor S McKillop stated that she wished to make an amendment to page 10 of the minutes under Item 14/20:08.

After discussion, it was agreed to amend this to read “After discussion, **which included sustainable partnership strategic opportunities,**”

After discussion,

Councillor Baird proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Graham and resolved,
“That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27th October 2014 be adopted, subject to the above amendment.”

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MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27TH OCTOBER 2014

Page 7 – Goats Path Cliff Stability Report
(Requested by Councillor Blaney)

The DES stated that a report on the progress of the Goats Path Cliff stability will be bought back to Council in December.

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APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

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

E/2013/0095/F Mr Chambers, c/o Wind NI Limited, 20 Upper Main Street, Larne, BT40 1SX. Location: Approx. 237m North of 61 Straid Road, Ballycastle, Co Antrim, BT54 6NP. Proposed single wind turbine with a base height of 35m and a max output of 250kw. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting.

E/2013/0188/F Mr Geoffrey McKillop, c/o Ryan Bruce, 126 Agivey Road, Aghadowey, Coleraine, BT51 4AY. Location: 64 Main Street, Bushmills, Co Antrim, BT57 8QD. Proposed use of building as hot food take-away and sit-in. (Recommended for Approval)

The above application was approved.

E/2014/0071/O Mr L Halliday, c/o 2020 Architects, 37 Main Street, Ballymoney, BT53 6AN. Location: 106.5m East of 206 Straid Road, Bushmills, Co Antrim, BT57 8XJ. Proposed dwelling and garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting with MLA. Councillor S McKillop to liaise with MLA.

E/2014/0132/F DARD Forestry Service, c/o Central Procurement Directorate, Clare House, 303 Airport Road West, Belfast BT3 9ED. Location: North West of the existing Visitors Centre, Glenariff Forest Park, Glenariff Road, Glenariff, Co Antrim, BT44 0QX. Proposed hard-standing overflow car park to be converted to caravan and camping site for 44no. pitches, comprising 35no. caravans and 9no. timber tents. Alterations to existing internal road, new link road and alterations to visibility splay lines at main entrance. Proposed new amenities building, reception building and play park. New septic tank, chemical toilet disposal and underground LPG tank (4000ltr). New overflow car park (52 spaces) and upgrade of existing car park. (Recommended for Approval)

The above application was approved.

E/2014/0138/LBC Courthill Holdings, c/o Norman Perry, 5 Straid Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6HG. Location: 24 Mill Street, Cushendall. Proposed conversion of 3 existing apartments to self-contained 7 room bed and breakfast including single storey kitchen extension in rear yard and internal alterations. (Recommended for Refusal)

E/2014/0140/F Courthill Holdings, c/o Diamond Design Studio, 2D The Diamond, Ballycastle, BT54 6HQ. Location: 24 Mill Street, Cushendall. Proposed conversion of 3 existing apartments to self-contained 7 room bed and breakfast including single storey kitchen extension in rear yard and internal alterations. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above two applications were deferred for an Office Meeting.

E/2014/0166/F Mr & Mrs O McDonnell, c/o Laverty Architecture, 63a Churchfield Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6PX. Location: 57m North West of 61 Drumavoley Road, Ballycastle, Co Antrim, BT54 6PQ. Proposed new farm dwelling and garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting.

E/2014/0174/F Quicktag Limited, c/o Wilson McMullen Architects, 19 Glenvale Avenue, Portrush, BT56 8HL. Location: Site adjacent (North West) to Moyle Enterprise Centre, Leyland Road, Ballycastle, Co Antrim, BT54 6EZ. Proposed light industrial building and office accommodation approximately 1400m². (Recommended for Approval)

E/2014/0185/F A McHenry, c/o Laverty Architecture, 63 Churchfield Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6PX. Location: Lands immediately to the SW of 38 Dunamallaght Road, Ballycastle. Proposed new kiosk to serve existing Photovoltaic Solar Panels. (Recommended for Approval)

E/2014/0193/F Dalriada Rural Sure Start, c/o The Harbour Studio, 52 Millbank Avenue, Portstewart, BT55 7DQ. Location: 55-57 Leyland Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6EZ. Proposed changes to external finishes of previously approved extension to existing family centre. (Recommended for Approval)

The above three applications were approved.

Deferred Items

E/2012/0017/F Mr Nigel Jamison, c/o Hunter Associates, 8 Charlotte Street, Ballymoney, BT53 6AY. Location: Approximately 309m North North West from 6 Lisnagat Road, Armoy. Proposed site for new wind turbine up to 250kw, with a height up to 40m and up to 55m to the blade tip, complete with control room to serve farm and grid. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was held for 2 weeks.

E/2013/0149/O Mr V McAlonan, c/o J E McKernan and Son, 25 Market Road, Ballymena, BT43 6EL. Location: 100m South of 30 Hillside Road, Armoy, Ballycastle, Co Antrim. Proposed dwelling on the Farm with detached double garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was held for 2 weeks.

E/2013/0151/O Mr Alec Sharpe, c/o Norman Perry, Diamond Design Studio, 5 Straid Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6HQ. Location: 87 Middlepark Road, Cushendall. Proposed site of one-and-a-half storey dwelling with garage. (Recommended for Approval)

E/2013/0201/O Mr S O'Boyle, c/o F A Wheeler, 201 Garron Road, Glenariffe, BT44 0RA. Location: Approximately 12m SE of 119A Middlepark Road, Cushendall, BT44 0SH. Proposed site for dwelling on a farm. (Recommended for Approval)

E/2013/0209/F Mr Ross Torrens, 90 Castlenagree Road, Bushmills, Co Antrim, BT57 8XL. Location: 90 Castlenagree Road, Bushmills, Co Antrim, BT57 8XL. Proposed single storey extension to side of dwelling to provide self-contained, self-catering accommodation for holiday letting. (Recommended for Approval)

E/2014/0032/F Patrick Mitchell, c/o Michael Burroughs Associates, 33 Shore Road, Holywood, BT18 9HX. Location: 61 Drumavoley Road, Ballycastle, Co Antrim, BT54 6PQ. Proposed replacement dwelling with integrated garage and associated site works. (Recommended for Approval)

The above four applications were approved.

E/2014/0033/O Mr Sean Hamilton, c/o Gary McNeil, 14 Cave Road, Cushendun, BT44 0PN. Location: 230m South-West of 157 Torr Road, Cushendun, Co Antrim, BT44 0PU. Proposed two storey replacement dwelling and detached garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was held for two weeks to allow for withdrawal.

Councillor P McShane left the meeting.

E/2014/0049/O Irwin and Jill McCook, 81B Hillside Road, Armoy, Ballymoney, BT53 8RX. Location: 120m North-East of No 5 Stroan Road, Armoy, Ballymoney, Co Antrim, BT53 8RY. Proposed house on a farm. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was to be held for 2 weeks to allow for a meeting with MLA. It was agreed Councillor J Baird would liaise with the MLA.

Councillor P McShane returned to the meeting.

It was agreed that the Office Meetings would be held on Thursday 4th December 2014 and the Planning Meeting would be held on Monday 15th December 2014.

Councillor M A McKillop left the meeting.

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ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT AND ADDENDUM

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

Public Analyst Appointment

Reference was made to the contract to provide Public Analyst Services for the 26 District Councils which was awarded to Minton, Treharne & Davies Ltd (in partnership with Worcestershire Scientific Services) in April 2014.

After discussion,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,
“That Council would approve the appointment of Alastair David Low; B.Sc., M Chem.A, MRSC., AAPA and Rachael Ann New; B.Sc, M.Chem.A, C.Sci, C Chem., MRSC from Minton, Treharne & Davies Limited (in partnership with Worcestershire Scientific Services) as Public Analysts to the Council under Article 27 (1) of the Food Safety (NI) Order 1991.”

It was also agreed that Pat Urwin be removed from the list of appointed Public Analysts to the Council due to his retirement from Minton, Treharne & Davies Limited and Worcestershire Scientific Services.

Updated Emergency Plan

Attention was drawn to Council’s Updated Emergency Plan as outlined in Appendix 1. An Emergency Action Leaflet and Emergency Contacts Card were circulated on the night.

Tender for the Supply and Installation of Fencing at Dundarave Football Pitch, Bushmills

Reference was made to the three tenders received for the supply and installation of fencing at Dundarave Football Pitch, Bushmills.

After discussion,

Councillor S McKillop proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,
“That Council would appoint NK Fencing to supply and install fencing at Dundarave Football Pitch for the sum of £33,936.25.”

The DES reported that work would commence towards the end of January 2015.

Councillor M A McKillop returned to the meeting.

25th Anniversary of Heart of Glens Festival – Birch Trees

After discussion,

Councillor C McShane proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Cunningham and resolved,
“That Council would approve the request from Cushendall Development Group to plant 25 Silver Birch Trees at the Cottage Wood Site, Cushendall, in order to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the ‘Heart of the Glens Festival in 2015.’”

Addendum to the Environmental Services Report (Circulated on the Night)

The Addendum to the Environmental Services Report having been circulated was taken as read.

Contract for the Collection and Treatment of Recycling Centre Waste

After discussion,

Councillor C McShane proposed,
Seconded by Councillor M A McKillop and resolved,
“That the meeting continued In Committee”

Councillor S McKillop left the meeting.

The DES reported that nine tenders were issued for the short term contract for the collection and treatment of various waste lots arising from Carnealy Amenity Site and three were returned before the closing date.

After discussion, which included the increase in price,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Cunningham and resolved,
“That Council would appoint Brikkiln Waste to Lot Nos 1, 2, 4, and 5 and
Recon Waste Management to Lot 3 as detailed in Item 1.1 of the Addendum
to Technical Services Report 24th November 2014.”

The meeting continued out of Committee.

After discussion,

Councillor Blaney proposed,
Seconded by Councillor McIlroy and resolved,
“That the Environmental Services Report and Addendum to the
Environmental Services Report be adopted.”

Letter from Ballycastle Community Development Group (Circulated on the Night)

Reference was made to a letter received from Ballycastle Community Development Group requesting the use of Council owned land in Ballycastle for the benefit of the public.

Proposed Play Park in Leyland Road

Discussion took place on the proposal by Ballycastle Community Development Group for Council to donate the piece of land in Leyland Road for a much needed children’s play park. This included it being a much needed facility, a prime location and liable to flooding.

After discussion, it was agreed that Council would arrange further meetings with the group and this item to be brought back to Council at a later date.

Proposed Community Gardens at Quay Road

Reference was made to the small area of waste ground next to Quay Road playing fields, identified by Ballycastle Community Development Group for a proposed Community Garden.

After discussion, which included the Eden project, making good use of waste ground, the involvement of young people, implications for birds and wildlife and length of the lease,

Councillor P McShane proposed,
Seconded by Councillor C McShane and resolved,
“That Council would agree, in principle, to support the Ballycastle
Development Community Groups proposed Community Garden on
waste ground next to Quay Road playing fields, for growing wild flowers
with a seating area and space to remember loved ones.”

It was agreed that the Interim Development Services Report would be taken as the next item.

Councillor McIlroy left the meeting

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INTERIM DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

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

Ballycastle Open Space Wi-Fi

The DDS reported that Limavady and Ballymoney Councils were in the process of appointing suppliers to design and deliver a Free Public Wi-Fi scheme in the main towns of each area and enquired if Council wished to avail of the opportunity and join the initiative 'at risk' (ie without DSD Funding).

After discussion, which included it being beneficial for tourism and businesses,

Councillor P McShane proposed,
Seconded by Councillor C McShane and resolved,
"That Council would approve up to a maximum of £25,000 contribution from the underspend of the Economic Development Fund, towards the installation of an Open Space Wi-Fi in Ballycastle."

Councillor McIlroy returned to the meeting.

Request – Ballycastle and Rural Riding Community

After discussion, it was agreed that Council would approve the request from Ballycastle and Rural Riding Community to use the car park behind Sheskburn House for their annual charity Santa Parade on Saturday 13th December 2014.

After discussion

Councillor Baird proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,
"That the Interim Development Services Report be adopted."

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CONFERENCES AND COURSES

NILGA Agriculture & Food Conference – Implementing Going for Growth to be held on Thursday 4th December 2014 at the Dunadry Hotel, Co Antrim

After discussion,

Councillor Baird proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Blaney and resolved,
"That Councillor Graham be nominated to attend."

14/22:09

NOTICES OF APPLICATIONS UNDER THE LICENSING (NI) ORDER 1996 AND BETTING, GAMING, LOTTERIES AND AMUSEMENTS (NI) ORDER 1985

It was agreed that Council would have no objection to the application for an Occasional Licence for Edward Hunter of Hunters Bar between the hours of 8pm and 1.30am on Saturday 15th November 2014/ Sunday 16th November 2014 for Ballycastle Branch of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann at Culfeightrin Parish Hall, Ballyvoy – Save the Dalriada Hospital Campaign.

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SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

There were no documents for signing and sealing.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) NIAO – Local Government Auditor’s Report – 2014
- (b) Letter dated 17th November 2014, from Belfast City Council regarding Circuses involving animals.

The above correspondence was marked as read.

The NILGA Annual Report 2013-2014 was circulated on the night.

The meeting concluded at 20:25


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CLERK & CHIEF EXECUTIVE