

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
ON MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2014**

**In the Chair:** Councillor D Cunningham

**Members Present:** Councillors S Hunter, R D McDonnell, R A McIlroy, M A 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

Ms J Lundy, Planning Service

Mr M Miller, Department of the Environment

Ms L Mooney, Member Services/Clerical Officer

14/13:01

**APOLOGIES AND CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS**

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillors Baird, Blaney, Graham, D McAllister, N McAllister, McCambridge and S McKillop.

Condolences were offered on the tragic death of Logan Crawford and the heroic efforts of the emergency services were commended.

Congratulations were offered on the smooth running of the Feile weekend in Ballycastle and on Cushendall being awarded the under 21 hurling championship.

After discussion, it was agreed that the Lammas Fair dinner would be held in the Marine Hotel.

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

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**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2014**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2014 having been circulated, were taken as read.

After discussion,

Councillor M A McKillop proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor C McShane and resolved,

"That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2014 be adopted."

14/13:04

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2014**

Visitor Moorings Redbay, Cushendall

It was stated that costings had been requested and would be brought back to Council.

Cost of the use of the proposed 3G Pitches

It was stated that the £350,000 set aside in the rates for a 3G pitch would be submitted to the Shadow Council for approval.

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**APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

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

E/2013/0206/LBC David Holden, c/o Norman Perry, 5 Straid Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6HQ. Location, 31 and 31a Ann Street, Ballycastle. Proposed internal alterations and renovation together with proposed terrace to rear. (Recommended for Refusal)

E/2013/0208/F David and Jill Pearson, 112 Sandown Road, Belfast. Location, 213 Causeway Road, Bushmills. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above two applications was deferred for an Office Meeting for further information.

E/2013/0198/F Commissioner of Irish Lights. Location, West Lighthouse and Visitor Facility, Rathlin Island. Proposed internal and external refurbishment of Lighthouse including change of use from accommodation to display area, extension to business facility including new viewing gallery and walkways, handrail and fencing. (Recommended for Approval)

After discussion it was agreed that Approval would be held until the Planning Service heard from Councillor Baird who had asked for the application to be removed from the streamline list.

It was agreed that the Planning Office Meetings would be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

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**PRESENTATION FROM NI LANDSCAPE CHARTER MANSIL MILLER**

A comprehensive presentation was delivered by Mansil Miller of the Department of the Environment on the Northern Ireland Landscape Charter followed by questions and answers.

Following discussion, it was agreed that Council would sign the NI Landscape Charter.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

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

DOE Discussion Document Dilapidated/Dangerous Buildings and Neglected Sites

Reference was made to the DOE Discussion Document on Dilapidated/Dangerous Buildings and Neglected Sites dealing with amenity issues associated with dilapidated buildings and neglected sites.

After discussion, it was agreed that the consultation response for the DOE Discussion Document Dilapidated/Dangerous Buildings and Neglected Sites would be approved with suggested amendments noted from Councillor McDonnell being taken into consideration.

Mobile Street Trading Licences

After discussion,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,  
“That the listed applications be approved.”

The following Mobile Street Trading Licences would be approved subject to no objections being raised by PSNI or Road Service;  
Mr Harry Douthart – Moyle District Council Area – 2 vehicles  
Mr Keith Douthart – Moyle District Council Area – 1 vehicle  
Temporary Street Trading Licence, subject to compliance with the conditional note issued by Road Service;  
Mr Mervyn Hutchinson – Junction of Carrowreagh Road & Main Street, Arroy.

Ballycastle War Memorial – Missing names

Reference was made to a letter received from the secretary of Ballycastle Branch of the Royal British Legion requesting additional names to be added to the War Memorial in Ballycastle.

After discussion, it was agreed that these would be incorporated whilst works were underway on the war memorial in consultation with the British Legion. It was also agreed that names to be provided by Councillor Hunter would also be incorporated.

Mutual Aid Agreement between Rivers Agency, Transport NI, NI Water and Local Government covering Arrangements for Mutual Aid in the Supply and deployment of agreed resources in the event of flooding

Reference was made to flooding incidents in NI in June 2012 and the recommendation by the Performance and Efficiency Delivery Unit (PEDU) that

there should be further development of the mutual support provided by public bodies under the NI Framework for Civil Contingencies.

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement.

Request to erect signage in Ballycastle Harbour from Mr T Griffin

After discussion, it was agreed to refuse permission requested to erect signage in Ballycastle Harbour to promote a trailered offshore powerboat on the North Coast.

Centenary Fields Programme

After discussion,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,

Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,

“It was agreed that Hamill Terrace would be a nominated green space in perpetuity in honour of the memory of those who lost their lives in WW1.”

Cushendall Environmental Group request a piece of land belonging to Moyle District Council be developed

Reference was made to a request from Cushendall Environmental Group that a piece of land be developed into a wild garden with picnic tables and chairs.

After discussion, it was agreed that a site meeting would be arranged with the DES and Cushendall Environmental Group regarding a request to use a piece of land belonging to Council for a wild garden with picnic tables and chairs. It was agreed that Councillors would be informed of when this would take place.

Interpretative Panel at Templastragh Church

Reference was made to a letter from Ballintoy Archaeological and Historical Society requesting Council consider funding the supply, design, creation and installation of an interpretative panel at Templastragh.

Councillor McDonnell left the meeting at this point.

After discussion, it was agreed that the £3,000 - £4,000 set aside in the rates for an interpretive panel at Templastragh Church would be utilised for such. It was agreed that an interpretive panel for Bonamargy would also be investigated.

Application for Full Entertainments Licence

After discussion,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,

Seconded by Councillor M A McKillop and resolved,

“That the application for Full Annual Entertainments Licence would be approved for; North Eastern Education and Library Board, for Ballycastle Youth Centre, 33 Rathlin Road, Ballycastle for Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 6:00pm til 11:00pm.”

## Applications for Occasional Entertainments Licences

After discussion,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor M A McKillop and resolved,  
“That applications for the following Occasional Licences would be approved, subject to submission of necessary certification, and satisfactory PSNI and NIFRS consultations: Mr J Mulholland for a marquee in the grounds of Cushendall Sailing and Boating Club from 2<sup>nd</sup> August – 10<sup>th</sup> August at proposed times. Moycraig Young Farmers Club for a marquee in the grounds of Armoy Rugby Club on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July. Cushendun GAC for a marquee in the grounds of Cushendun GAC from 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> July at proposed times. Mr N Taggart, Armoy Road Races, Barn adjacent to 136 Hillside Road, Armoy 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> July.”

## Addendum to the Environmental Services Report

### Street Trading

Reference was made to the request received from Ballymoney Church of God who operate a mobile catering unit called Bethany's Kitchen for street trading licence fees to be waived for Temporary Street Trading Licences in view of the charitable status.

After discussion,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,  
“That Council agree to waive the fee for the on the grounds of charitable status for Bethany's Kitchen for Street Trading and that each event would have to be applied for individually.”

After discussion,

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

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## **INTERIM CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

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

### Marconi Radio Group – Community Festivals Programme

Reference was made to a request received from Marconi Radio Group.

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the request from the Marconi Radio Group to host the Marconi Festival at Ballycastle Seafront on 3<sup>rd</sup> August in conjunction with Ballycastle CSSM.

### Bad Debts Provision

Reference was made to avenues having been exhausted in the recovery of outlined debt.

After discussion,

Councillor McDonnell proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Mellroy and resolved,  
“That Bad Debt for the amount of £1,279.59 would be written off.”

### Year-End Accounts 2013/14

After discussion,

Councillor Mellroy proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,  
“That the Year End Accounts 2013/14 be approved.”

### Annual Governance Statement

Councillor C McShane left the meeting.

After discussion,

Councillor P McShane proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Thompson and resolved,  
“That the Annual Governance Statement be approved.”

### Internal Audit Plan 2014/15

Councillors Mellroy and P McShane left the meeting.

After discussion,

Councillor M A McKillop proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor McDonnell and resolved,  
“That the Annual Internal Audit Plan for 2014/5 be approved.”

### Addendum to the Interim Corporate Services Report

#### Scheme of Transfer for Local Government Staff

After discussion,

Councillor McDonnell proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,  
“That it was agreed to approve the Scheme of Transfer for Local Government Staff.”

After discussion,

Councillor M A McKillop proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,  
“That the Interim Corporate Services Report and Addendum be adopted.”

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### DEVELOPMENT SERVICES INTERIM REPORT TO COUNCIL

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

#### Arts Update

Councillors McIlroy, C McShane and P McShane returned to the meeting.

The Arts Officer delivered a presentation on the Arts Review 2013/14 and a preview of 2014/15.

Following discussion and questions and answers, it was agreed that the Arts Officer would consider the possibility of a Lammas Fair Comedy night and that the Glenariff Improvement Group would be asked to send an email regarding artwork which needed to be tidied up.

Councillor Cunningham left the meeting.

#### Community Small Grant Application

After discussion, it was agreed that a Community Small Grant application of £300 would be retrospectively approved for Glens Social Club.

#### Community Grants Assessment Panel

After discussion,

Councillor C McShane proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,  
“That Councillor P McShane would be nominated to sit as the new Ballycastle representative on the Community Grants Assessment Panel.”

#### Forest Recreation Project

Reference was made to work ongoing with the Forest Service in relation to Glenariff and Ballypatrick Forests. It was stated that following detailed estimated costings the works at Glenariff had proven to be substantially higher than the budget which they originally allocated from the Forestry Fund.

After discussion, It was agreed to approve the proposal to prioritise the works at Glenariff Forest Park and that the funding allocated to Ballypatrick be diverted to those works.

Mountain Bike Trails, Glenariff and Ballycastle Forests – NITB, Tourism Innovation Fund

Reference was made to Outdoor Recreation NIs (ORNI) work with 4 councils to submit applications for Mountain Bike Trails.

After discussion,

Councillor C McShane proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor P McShane and resolved,  
“That Council proceed with the proposed ORNI application for Glenariff and Ballycastle Mountain Bike Trail design with Council match funding.”

After discussion,

Councillor M A McKillop proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,  
“That the Interim Development Services Report be adopted.”

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

After discussion,

Councillor Cunningham proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Thompson and resolved,  
“That Councillor P McShane would replace Councillor C McShane on the Peace III Partnership.”

It was agreed that the following items would be placed on the Agenda for the next Council Meeting under Committee Membership; Audit and Governance Working Group, Causeway Older Peoples Group, North West Regional Waste Management Group and Sports Advisory Committee.

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**THAT COUNCIL WORKING ALONGSIDE CAUSEWAY COAST AND GLENS SHADOW COUNCIL AND OTHER RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS PREPARE AND APPLICATION FOR INTERREG FUNDING (ATLANTIC AREA TRANSNATIONAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME) IN ORDER TO MAXIMISE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE AREA ARISING FROM THE TIDAL ENERGY PROJECTS**  
(Requested by Councillor Cunningham)

After discussion,

Councillor Cunningham proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Thompson and resolved,  
“That Council working alongside Causeway Coast and Glens Shadow Council and other relevant stakeholders prepare an application for INTERREG funding (Atlantic Area Transnational Cooperation Programme) in order to maximise economic development / research and development opportunities for this area arising from the Tidal Energy projects.”



14/13:12

**THAT COUNCIL CONSIDER THE OPTION OF LEASING BY PUBLIC TENDER A SECTION OF AREA OF THE FERRY TERMINAL NOT IN USE AND ANY OTHER PREMISES NOT IN CURRENT USE**

(Requested by Councillor Cunningham)

After discussion,

Councillor Cunningham proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor M A McKillop and resolved,  
"That Council consider the option of leasing by public tender the section of the Ferry Terminal not in use and any other premises not in current use."

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**CONFERENCES, COURSES**

NILGA Rate Convergence Consultation – Key Council Engagement Event. To be held on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 10:00am – 12:30 at Magherafelt District Council Offices

Councillor McIlroy proposed  
Seconded by Councillor McIlroy

Councillor Blaney

Councillor Hunter proposed  
Seconded by Councillor Cunningham

Councillor McIlroy

Councillor Thompson proposed  
Seconded by Councillor Cunningham

Councillor P McShane

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

- Occasional Licence for Niall McKeague, the Harbour Bar, for 27<sup>th</sup> June for the Marie Curie Cancer Care Moyle & District Support Group.
- Occasional Licence for Fiona and Cormac McKeegan, McBride's Bar for 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> July for a marquee in Cushendun GAC.
- Application for the transfer of a Liquor Licence, Mariners Bar, Waterfoot.
- Occasional Licence for Patrick Hamill of Halfway House, Broughshane for 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> July 2014 for Armoy Motorcycle Road Race.
- Occasional Licence for Mary Delargy of The Mariners Bar, Waterfoot for 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> July 2014 for the Friends of Glenariff.

There were no objections to the above applications.

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**SEALING OF DOCUMENTS**

After discussion,

Councillor M A McKillop proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,

“That the contract with Minton Treharne and Davies Limited for the provision of Public Analyst Services be signed and sealed.”

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Letter dated 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014 from the Northern Ireland Assembly, Committee for the Environment regarding the Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill
- (b) Letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> June 2014 from Fermanagh District Council regarding stamp duty in disadvantaged areas

The above correspondence was noted.

- (c) Letter dated 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 from Marlin Starrett offering to make a presentation to Council on radio technology today and possible health effects of radio technology installed in public places

After discussion, It was agreed that a presentation from Marlin Starrett on radio technology today and the possible health effects of radio technology installed in public places would be approved.

It was also agreed that presentations which did not require any decision would be held at 6:30 before the Council Meeting.

Correspondence circulated on the night

Letter dated 17<sup>th</sup> June 2014 from Galway County Council regarding the changes with Ballinasloe Town Council and Galway County Council and regarding preparations for the Annual Horse Fair.

After discussion,

Councillor M A McKillop proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,  
That Councillors Cunningham, Thompson, McIlroy, Hunter, M A McKillop, P McShane and McDonnell would attend the Ballinasloe Horse Fair.”

**The meeting concluded at 21:10pm**

  
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CLERK & CHIEF EXECUTIVE