

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2014**

**In the Chair:** Councillor D Cunningham

**Members Present:** Councillors J Baird, S Blaney, W Graham, 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

Ms J McMath, Planning Service

Ms L Mooney, Member Services/Clerical Officer

14/14:01

**APOLOGIES AND CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS**

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

Chairman's Business

Reference was made to a request regarding the Heavy Horse Show.

After discussion,

Councillor Baird proposed,

Seconded by Councillor Graham and resolved,

"That Council approve a request from the Heavy Horse Show for use of grounds at Sheskburn House the use of Kitchen and adjoining room and toilet facilities on 23<sup>rd</sup> August from 7:30am til 5:00pm."

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

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

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2014 having been circulated, were taken as read.

After discussion,

Councillor M A McKillop proposed,

Seconded by Councillor McIlroy and resolved,

“That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2014 be adopted.”

14/14:04

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2014**

Cushendall Environmental Group meeting

It was stated that the meeting had not been arranged as yet but that members would be informed.

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**APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

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

E/2013/0130/F Portnaboe Ltd, C/O Donaldson Planning, 50a High Street, Holywood, BT21 0PQ. Location, lands at The Nook, 48 Causeway Road, Bushmills, Co Antrim. Proposed provision of 10 no. Guest Bedrooms in tow new buildings contained within the curtilage of The Nook. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting with the MP in attendance for further information. It was agreed that Councillor McIlroy would contact the MP.

E/2013/0149/O Mr V McAlonan, C/O J E McKernan and Son, Market Road, Ballymena. Location, 100m south of 30 Hillside Road, Armoy, Ballycastle. Proposed dwelling on the farm with detached double garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting for further information.

E/2013/0161/O David McAfee, C/O P S Design, 49 Hillsborough Road, Carryduff, Belfast. Location, 60m South of 12 The Clachan Aird, Causeway Road, Busmills. Proposed new farm dwelling and garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was withdrawn.

E/2013/0187/F Mr S McAllister, C/O F A Wheeler, 201 Garron Road, Glenariff. Location, 142 Whitepark Road, Bushmills. Proposed new access as alternative to that approved under E/2010/0201/RM. (Recommended for Approval)

The above application was approved.

E/2013/0210/O Mr James Holmes, C/O G M Design Associates, 22/24 Lodge Road, Coleraine, BT52 1NB. Location, south of 180 Moyarget Road, Ballycastle. Proposed site for one and a half storey farm dwelling. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting for further information.

E/2014/0032/F Patrick Mitchell, C/O Michael Burroughs Associates, 33 Shore Road, Hollywood. Location, 61 Drumavoley Road, Ballycastle, Co Antrim.

Proposed replacement dwelling with integrated garage and associated site works.  
(Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting for further information.

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

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting for further information.

E/2014/0053/F Mr M Brady, 1 Dunnamallaght Crescent, Ballycastle. Location,  
54 Castle Street, Ballycastle. Proposed covering damaged fibreboard in alley  
ceiling with white PVC Board. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was deferred for an Office Meeting for further information.

E/2014/0077/F Mr and Mrs F Mulgrave, 125 Markethill Road, Collone, Armagh.  
Location 2 Rathlin View, Ballycastle, Co Antrim. Proposed storey and three  
quarter dwelling. Amendments to previous planning approval E/2008/0358/F.  
(Recommended for Approval)

The above application was approved.

#### Deferred Items

E/2013/0121/O Terence Quinn, C/O Richard Burnside Architecture, 41 Dromona  
Road, Cullybackey, Ballymena. Location, 450m SW of 33 Gaults Road,  
Cushendall. Proposed farm dwelling and garage. (Recommended for Refusal)

The above application was withdrawn.

It was agreed that Office Meetings would be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August.

Councillor P McShane left the meeting.

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

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

#### Review of coloured collar identification tag for dogs

Councillor McIlroy left the meeting.

Reference was made to correspondence received from the Department of  
Agriculture and Rural Development seeking views of elected members on whether  
there was a future need for dual identification systems of micro chipping and  
coloured tagging of licensed dogs.

After discussion, it was agreed that from January 2015 the need for coloured  
identification tags would be abolished and that micro-chipping would be the sole  
method of identification. It was further agreed that the current dog licence fee be

reviewed to ensure that the service provided by Councils is as far as possible on a full cost recovery basis.

#### Legal and Confidential Matters – Underage sale of cigarette lighter refill case

After discussion,

Councillor McDonnell proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Baird and resolved,  
“That the meeting continue in committee.”

Councillor P McShane returned to the meeting.

After discussion, with regard to the underage sale of a cigarette lighter refill case it was agreed that Person B (shop owner) be given a written warning and that Person A (retail assistant) also be given a written warning.

#### Legal and Confidential Matters – Underage sale of cigarette cases

After discussion, with regard to underage sale of cigarette cases (Case 1) it was agreed that Person D (shop owner) be given a written warning and that Person C (retail assistant) have no action taken against them.

With regard to underage sale of cigarette cases (Case 2) it was agreed that Person F (premises owner) be given a formal caution and that Person E (retail assistant) be given a written warning.

Councillor McIlroy returned to the meeting.

The meeting continued out of committee.

#### Lammas Fair Fees

Reference was made to the consultation for the proposed increase in fees for Lammas Fair stalls.

After discussion,

Councillor McIlroy proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Graham,  
“That Council approve the rise from £135.00 to £175.00 per stall for the Lammas Fair.”

On a recorded vote being taken on the proposal, Councillors Baird, Cunningham, Graham, McDonnell, McIlroy, S McKillop and M A McKillop voted in favour of and Councillors Blaney, C McShane, P McShane and Thompson voted against the proposal which was carried.

#### Environmental Health Service Plan 2014/15

After discussion,

Councillor Cunningham proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Baird and resolved,  
“That the Environmental Health Service Plan for 2014/15 be approved.”

Application for approval/condition approval of premises under EC Regulation 853/2004

After discussion, it was agreed that Council would conditionally approve North Coast Smokehouse premises for the following activities; production of smoked fishery products. It was also agreed that both the applicant and the Food Standards Agency would be informed of this conditional approval.

Issue of updated caravans licences

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the issue of caravan site licences for the following sites; Sam Hagan for Causeway Coast Holiday Park, Charles McAllister for Lurig Caravan Park and Charles McAllister for Red Bay Caravan Park.

Affordable Warmth update

Reference was made to correspondence received from DSD with reference to funding for the Affordable Warmth scheme.

Following discussion and in reply to a query it was agreed that the criteria for selection of homes to be targeted for assistance under the Affordable Warmth Scheme would be brought back to Council.

Councillor P McShane left the meeting.

Statistics for June 2014

Reference was made to dog fouling and discussion was held on the improvement of preventative measures in place to deter dog fouling in public places and to encourage the responsible behaviour of dog owners.

Councillor P McShane returned to the meeting.

Rathlin Island CCTV Report – In Committee

The meeting continued in committee.

Reference was made to options for the resolution of the appropriate use of the Council CCTV on Rathlin Island.

It was stated that in agreement with RDCA a process is now in place to install the visible masking on the camera and that this should be fully completed within the next 2 weeks.

The meeting continued out of committee.

### Dundarave Play Area Lease

After discussion, with regard to the lease and maintenance of the Dundarave Play Park, it was agreed that soft surfacing would be supplied using the same contractor who had supplied the other parks.

### Tender for Design, Supply and Installation of New Crazy Golf Facility at Ballycastle Seafront

After discussion,

Councillor P McShane proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor C McShane and resolved,  
“That Council appoint Hawthorn Heights Ltd to undertake the works for the design, supply and installation of the new Crazy Golf Facility at Ballycastle Seafront for the sum of £49,605.00.”

Councillor P McShane left the meeting.

### Automatic Public Conveniences tender returns

After discussion, it was agreed that JC Decaux would be awarded contracts for the provision of and APC for Ballycastle Seafront and Cottage Wood, Cushendall for the sum of £14,250 plus VAT per site.

Councillor P McShane returned to the meeting.

### Addendum to the Environmental Services Report

#### Bushmills Salmon and Whiskey Festival

Reference was made to a request received from the Bushmills Traders Association asking for Council's help with the Bushmills Salmon and Whiskey Festival.

After discussion, it was agreed that the requests as listed in the Addendum to the Environmental Services Report for the Bushmills Salmon and Whiskey Festival would be approved.

#### Bushmills Community Festival, 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2014

Reference was made to a request received from Bushmills Community Association asking for Council's help with the Bushmills Community Festival.

After discussion, it was agreed that the requests as listed in the Addendum to the Environmental Services Report for the Bushmills Community Festival would be approved.

### Application for Occasional Entertainment Licence

It was agreed that the Application for Occasional Entertainment Licence for Mr P Kane for a marquee in the grounds of Ruairi Og Hurling Club on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> August would be approved subject to PSNI and Fire Authority approval.

After discussion,

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

14/14:07

### INTERIM DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

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

#### Community Infrastructure Fund/Tourism Infrastructure Fund

Reference was made to recommendations of the Community Assessment Panel which met on 8<sup>th</sup> July.

It was agreed that the recommendations of the Community Assessment Panel re allocation of Community Infrastructure Fund and Tourism Infrastructure Fund would be approved.

Following further discussion,

Councillor Baird proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor S McKillop and resolved,  
“That a breakdown of applications for and awards approved for Community Infrastructure Grants for the last three years would be provided”

#### Community Small Grant Budget

Reference was made to an underspend from the Community Festivals Fund.

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the transfer of the underspend from the Community Festivals Fund to the Community Small Grant Programme.

#### Community Small Grant Application

It was agreed to approve the requests for a Community Small Grant of £300 for Liscolman Community Association and Mosside Women’s Institute.

#### Public Consultation EU Cooperation Programmes – PEACE and INTERREG

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the response to the Public Consultation EU Cooperation Programmes – PEACE and INTERREG

#### Arts Programme – Judges for the Lammas Fair Street Entertainers Competition

Reference was made to the need for three Councillors to judge the Lammas Fair Street Entertainers Competition.

After discussion,

Councillor Blaney proposed  
Seconded by Councillor P McShane

Councillor McIlroy

Councillor Baird proposed  
Seconded by Councillor Blaney

Councillor Cunningham

Councillor Cunningham proposed  
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

Councillor M A McKillop

Councillors M A McKillop and P McShane left the meeting.

After discussion,

Councillor Blaney proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Graham and resolved,  
"That the Interim Development Services Report and Addendum be adopted."

Councillors M A McKillop and P McShane returned to the meeting.

14/14:08

### INTERIM CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

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

#### Northern Ireland Water (NIW) – Waste Water Treatment Works

Reference was made to correspondence received from Northern Ireland Water requesting permission to lease the land at the rear of Sheskburn House for a working area during the upgrade of their current Waste Water Treatment Works.

After discussion,

Councillor Blaney proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Baird and resolved,  
"That Northern Ireland Water be asked to contact Sheskburn Garage to lease land for a working area during the upgrade of the current Waste Water Treatment Works."

#### Heart of the Glens Festival

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the request from Heart of the Glens Festival, subject to necessary Risk Assessments and Insurance documents, for use of the Waterford Car Park and grounds on 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> August 2014.

Councillor C McShane left the meeting.

#### Procedure for Filling of Posts in the new Council Structures and Related Guidance

Reference was made to agreement on the above structures by the LGRJF and that it was recommended for adoption by Councils.

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the Procedure for the Filling of Posts in the new Council Structures and Related Guidance.



After discussion,

Councillor P McShane proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Blaney and resolved,  
“That the Interim Corporate Services Report be adopted.”

14/14:09

**THAT COUNCILLOR M A MCKILLOP REPLACE COUNCILLOR MCCAMBRIDGE ON THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES: CAUSEWAY OLDER PEOPLE’S STRATEGIC TEAM, GOOD RELATIONS WORKING GROUP AND NHSSB – COMMUNITY TRANSPORT STEERING GROUP AND COUNCILLOR CUNNINGHAM REPLACE COUNCILLOR MCCAMBRIDGE ON THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE WORKING GROUP**

(Requested by Councillor McCambridge)

After discussion,

Councillor Graham proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor Blaney and resolved,  
“That Councillor M A McKillop would replace Councillor McCambridge on the Causeway Older People’s Strategic Team, Good Relations Working Group and NHSSB – Community Transport Steering Group and that Councillor Cunningham would replace Councillor McCambridge on the Audit and Governance Working Group.”

14/14:10

**THAT COUNCIL WORK WITH INTERESTED PARTNERS TO CONSIDER ALL THE POSSIBILITIES AVAILABLE TO RESTORE THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS ‘CRAFT CONNECTIONS’ ANN STREET BALLYCASTLE TO AN ARTS AND CRAFTS CENTRE SERVING THE LOCAL AND VISITOR INTEREST**

(Requested by Councillor Cunningham)

After discussion,

Councillor Cunningham proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor P McShane and resolved,  
“That Council would work with interested parties to consider all the possibilities available in order to restore the property known as Craft Connections Ann Street, Ballycastle to an Arts and Crafts centre serving the local and visitor interest.”

14/14:11

**THAT THIS COUNCIL CONDEMNS, IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS, THE APPALING LOSS OF CIVILIAN LIFE IN GAZA AND CALLS ON THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT TO END ITS MILITARY ONSLAUGHT AGAINST THE CIVILIAN POPULATION. IT FURTHER CALLS ON THE IRISH GOVERNMENT, THE EU, ALONG WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, TO ENGAGE IN A DIPLOMATIC OFFENSIVE THAT HAS THE AIM OF BRINGING ABOUT A GENUINE CEASEFIRE, AND IMPLEMENT MECHANISMS TO MONITOR SUCH A CEASEFIRE, THAT WOULD INCLUDE THE IMMEDIATE LIFTING OF THE BLOCKADE ON GAXA AND WORK TOWARDS A JUST AND**

## LASTING RESOLUTION FOR THE PEOPLES OF PALESTINE AND ISRAEL

(Requested by Councillor C McShane)

After discussion, during which the following issues were raised, not intended to be a party political motion rather a motion in response to the large number of people from across Moyle who are concerned regards the situation in the Middle East, the solidarity protest, white line pickets; rallies and humanitarian aid efforts. The humanitarian disaster zone which has enveloped the barricaded Gaza Strip. The mounting civilian death toll in Gaza, particularly children, and the attacks on UN sponsored hospitals and schools – places which are meant to be a safe shelter for those seeking refuge. The power of social media in reporting terms and its implications for the public's understanding of the conflict. Living under siege, a call for an end to hostilities, the need for life enhancing measurements. Hamas being a terrorist organisation, the firing of rockets into Israel, not taking sides, tunnels being constructed and used. A matter for the UN and not party politics. Conflicts all over the Middle East. Support through humanitarian agencies such as the Red Cross. Council having no relevance in the situation in the Middle East, loss of life in Ireland during the troubles and those responsible now in Government, civilians as human shields, measures taken to reduce civilian casualties. Fault on both sides. The bombing of a civilian population.

Councillor C McShane proposed,

Seconded by Councillor Thompson,

“That Council in accepting the motion proposed, write to the Minister for Foreign Affairs Charlie Flanagan and to Ireland’s UN Ambassador Patricia O’Brien, to express our condemnation, in the strongest possible terms, the appalling loss of civilian life in Gaza; to call on the Israeli Government to end it’s military onslaught against the civilian population, and to enter meaningful and inclusive dialogue to create a lasting peace settlement which respects the sovereignty and independence of Palestine along the pre-1967 borders.”

After further discussion,

Councillor P McShane proposed an amendment,

Seconded by Councillor M A McKillop,

“That this Council call for: A long term ceasefire with a focus on ending hostilities permanently. Calls for the lifting of the siege and the opening of the border crossings to commerce and people, to enhance the prospects for a sustainable peace; call for the re-establishment of the Gaza Seaport and the Gaza International Airport which would be placed under U.N. supervision. The demilitarising of the border with the UN responsible for peace keeping and internationalising the Rafah crossing to alleviate the security concerns and enhance free movement. Increasing the permitted fishing zone to 10 kilometres and re-establishing an industrial zone and improvements in further economic development in the Gaza Strip creating jobs and economic prosperity for Gaza residents.

Create a corridor between the West Bank and Gaza to allow free travel for family, business, visiting religious sites and state apparatuses to function

Independently without interference as envisaged in previous agreements between Israel and Palestine. Letters informing of the motion to be sent to both the Irish and British UN commissioners. Both the British and Irish Palestinian and Israeli embassies. The UN human rights commissioner. The UN Human Rights Council. The Stormont Executive.”

On a vote being taken on the amendment, there were 4 votes in favour of and 4 votes against the amendment. The Chairman used his casting vote in favour of the amendment which was carried.

Councillor S McKillop stated that she wished it be recorded that this lengthy amendment was not given to the Councillors in writing and that Councillors should not be put in this position in the Council Chamber.

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### CONFERENCES, COURSES

National Association of Councillors Northern Ireland Region, AGM. To be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2014 at Clondeboye Lodge Hotel, Bangor

After discussion,

Councillor Blaney proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor P McShane and resolved,  
“That Councillors Graham, McIlroy, P McShane and Blaney be nominated to attend.”

Agenda NI, Annual NI Economic Conference 2014. To be held on 7<sup>th</sup> October at the Culloden Hotel, Belfast.

There were no nominations.

Clare Tourism Conference (Preliminary Notice) To be held on 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014 at Falls Hotel, Ennistymon, Co Clare

After discussion,

Councillor Cunningham proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor M A McKillop and resolved,  
“That Councillors Blaney, Graham, S McKillop and Baird be nominated to attend.”

### Puck Fair

Reference was made to nominations for Puck Fair.

After discussion,

Councillor Graham proposed,  
Seconded by Councillor M A McKillop and resolved,  
“That Councillors Blaney and Cunningham be nominated to attend.”

Councillor P McShane left the meeting.

14/14:13

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

- Occasional Licence for Darrel Stevenson and Stephanie Gray of 22 Main Street, Ballintoy for an event on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at Ballinlea Orange Hall.
- Occasional Licence for Patrick Hamill, 143 Carnlough Road, Broughshane for an event on 26<sup>th</sup> July for Armoy Road Race.
- Occasional Licence for Darrel Stevenson and Stephanie Gray of 22 Main Street, Ballintoy for an event on 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2014 at Ballinlea Orange Hall.
- Occasional Licence for Connolly's Bar, 1-2 Dunclug Shopping Centre, Ballymena for an event on 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> August 2014 at Cushendall Ruairi Og Hurling Club.
- Occasional Licence for Stanley and James McFarland of 51 Main Street, Bushmills for an event on 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> August 2014 at Ballintoy Masonic Hall.
- Application for the Renewal of a Bookmaking Office Licence for Willstan Limited, 369 Newtownards Road, Belfast, for premises at 3 Ann Street, Ballycastle.

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 McDonnell and resolved,  
"That the Lease of Land at Dundarave Park, Bushmills, NIHE to Moyle District Council be signed and sealed."

Councillor M A McKillop left the meeting.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> May 2014 from Nenagh Town Council in response to Councils letter of 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2014
- (b) Letter dated June 2014 from the Corrymeela Community regarding support for their summer appeal
- (c) Letter dated 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2014 from the Department for Employment and Learning regarding public consultation on zero hours contracts
- (d) Letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 from Department of the Environment regarding Northern Area Plan 2016 – updated position.

Correspondence listed (a) – (d) was noted.

- (e) Letter dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014 from Department for Regional Development regarding the Roads Programme – Spring Consultation

Councillor S McKillop left the meeting.

After discussion, it was agreed that a Site Meeting would be arranged to consider traffic calming measures for Caman Drive, Ballycastle.

- (f) Letter dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2014 from Transport NI regarding Waiting Restrictions, Clare Street, Ballycastle

After discussion, it was agreed that the decision on Waiting Restrictions, Clare Street, Ballycastle would be deferred until the next meeting

- (g) Letter received 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014 from Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety regarding consultation on the introduction of primary legislation which would extend the use of service user identifiable information, to include sharing for secondary use in controlled circumstances.

- (h) Letter dated 17<sup>th</sup> July 2014 from the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety regarding Consultation on Minimum Standards for Nursing Homes.

Correspondence listed (g) – (h) was noted.

**The meeting concluded at 21:30pm**

  
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