

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD
ON MONDAY 27TH JANUARY 2014**

In the Chair: Councillor C McShane

Members Present: Councillors S Blaney, D F Cunningham, W Graham, S Hunter, N McAllister, C McCambridge, R D McDonnell, R A McIlroy, M A McKillop, 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
Mrs E Mulholland, Director of Development Services
Ms R McMenamin, Planning Service
Mr S Mathers, Planning Service
Ms L Mooney, Member Services/Clerical Officer

14/02:01

APOLOGIES AND CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillors Baird, D McAllister and S McKillop.

Chairman's Business

Minutes Silence

A minutes silence was held in memory of Mary Morrison a former Councillor who had recently passed away.

Unison Presentation

It was agreed to approve a request from Unison to make a presentation to Council.

Donor Garden opening

After discussion,

Councillor P McShane proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,
"That Councillor C McShane would attend the event to open the first donor garden in Galway and that Council would also sponsor a tree for the garden at a cost of €250."

Coastal Path Glenariff Beach

Reference was made to the maintenance of the coastal path from Glenariff Beach to where the new coastal centre would be. Issues such as overgrowing and dumping of grass on the path were discussed along with the need to keep the path open as a Right of Way.

After discussion, it was agreed that the path would be maintained with any repairs of fencing being undertaken and that the path would also be considered as part of the ongoing feasibility study.

14/02:02 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

14/02:03 **MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 16TH DECEMBER 2014**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16th December 2014 having been circulated, were taken as read.

After discussion,

Councillor Graham proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Hunter and resolved,
“That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16th December 2014 be adopted.”

14/02:04 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 16TH DECEMBER 2014**

There were no Matters Arising for discussion.

14/02:05 **APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

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

E/2012/0118/F Mr C McDonnell, C/O Hunter Associates, 8 Charlotte Street, Ballymoney. Location, approx. 323m East South East from 157 Glenshesk Road, Armoy. Proposed site for new 1 no Wind Turbine up to 250kw, with a Hub Height up to 50m and up to 65m to the blade tip complete with control room to serve farm and grid. (Recommended for Refusal)

E/2013/0200/F Mr R McDonnell, C/O Bailey Architecture, 9 Glenview Road, Glenshesk, Ballycastle. Location, 120m SE of 31 Torr Road, Ballycastle. Proposed off-site replacement dwelling. (Recommended for Refusal)

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

Deferred Items

E/2012/0164/O Mr J McCann, C/O CMI Chartered Planners Unit C5, The Business Centre, 80 – 82 Rainey Street, Magherafelt. Location, 50m North West of 23 Ballinlea Road, Ballycastle. Proposed erection of a dwelling and the Temporary Retention of a Mobile Home (3 years) pending the house construction (amended certificate of ownership) (Recommended for Refusal)

E/2012/0185/F Sam Craig, C/O Strategic Planning, 4 Pavillions Office Park, Kinnegar Drive, Holywood. Location, 300m south of 76 Hillside Road, Armoy, Ballymoney. Proposed erection of single wind turbine – 32.3m hub height with 16m blades. (Recommended for Refusal)

After discussion, it was agreed to state that Council disagreed with the above two recommendations.

E/2013/0118/F Mr J Hamill, C/O Bailey Architecture, 9 Glenview Road, Glenshesk, Ballycastle. Location, 14 Strandview Road, Ballycastle. Proposed single storey extension and construction of detached garage. (Recommended for Approval)

The above application was approved.

It was agreed that Office Meetings would be held on Thursday 6th February 2014.

14/02:06

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

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

Emergency Planning Activities

Reference was made to the proposed plan to hold a stock of sand bags in the Glens in case of flooding. The DES stated that he hoped to have something regarding this issue in his next report.

Statistics for December

Discussion was held on the problem of dog fouling throughout the district and possible solutions. The frequency of fixed penalties and the possibility of marking the Dog Warden van with lettering to identify his presence.

Locations for the Big Belly Bins around Moyle

Reference was made to the list of proposed locations or the Big Belly Bins throughout the district.

After discussion,

Councillor Thompson proposed,
Seconded by Councillor P McShane and resolved,
“That the proposed locations for the Big Belly Bins as outlined in the report be approved.”

It was noted that these could be moved if reports suggested underuse.

Letter from Cushendall Development Group – Installation of Anchor

Reference was made to correspondence from Cushendall Development Group in relation to an anchor which has been donated to Cushendall Environmental Group.

After discussion,

Councillor P McShane proposed,
Seconded by Councillor McCambridge and resolved,
“That the installation of an anchor, donated to Cushendall Environmental Group, to be situated at Cushendall Boat Club, would be covered for insurance purposes by Council.”

Letter regarding Memorial Plaque

Reference was made to correspondence received and it was agreed that permission would be given to have a memorial plaque placed on one of the existing granite park benches at the car park in Ballintoy Harbour.

It was also agreed that securing the benches at Ballintoy would be looked at again following the rough weather as some had moved.

Addendum to the Environmental Services Report

Permission to landscape Council Ground Surrounding the Resource Centre, Rathlin

Reference was made to a request from RDCA regarding landscaping a plot of land.

After discussion, it was agreed to give permission to RDCA to go ahead with an application to landscape a plot of land surrounding the Resource Centre on Rathlin. It was agreed that a form of words would be used in the agreement to ensure that there would be no question of Council ownership of the land at any point.

After discussion,

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

14/02:07

INTERIM CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

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

Electricity Tender

Reference was made to the region wide tender process currently being undertaken by Newry and Mourne Council regarding Electricity.

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the participation of Moyle Council in the region wide tender process regarding electricity.

Loan Applications for Capital Expenditure 2013-14

After discussion, it was agreed to approve loan sanctions and capital expenditure for 2013 – 14 as outlined in the Corporate Services Report.

After discussion,

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

14/02:08

PROPOSE THAT IN ADDITION TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGER THAT THE PCSP MANAGER ATTENDS THE NHSCT COMMUNITY & VOLUNTARY SECTOR PROJECT MEETINGS
(Requested by Councillor Cunningham)

After discussion, it was agreed that in addition to the Community Services Manager, the PCSP Manager attend the NHSCT Community and Voluntary Sector Project Meetings.

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THAT COUNCIL VOICES ITS SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIPS AND EXPRESSES ITS CONCERN TO THE ENVIRONMENT MINISTER AND DOE VEHICLE POLICY BRANCH THAT THE IMPACT OF LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS CONCERNING BUS OPERATOR LICENSING WOULD GREATLY DISADVANTAGE THE SECTOR
(Requested by Councillor Cunningham)

After discussion, it was agreed that Council write to the Environment Minister and DOE Vehicle Policy Branch to state that Council shares the concerns of the impact that legislative proposals concerning bus operator licensing may have in greatly disadvantaging the sector.

14/02:10

THE REINSTATEMENT OF GLENARIFF SAND DUNES THAT WERE BADLY DAMAGED BY THE RECENT STORMS
(Requested by Councillor Thompson)

Following discussion, it was agreed that further information would be brought back to Council concerning coastal erosion in relation to the sand dunes at Glenariff and that a site meeting would be held there to discuss the matter.

14/02:11

CONFERENCES, COURSES

Agenda NI and Nilga - Public Sector Reform. To be held on 13th February 2014 at Chartered Accountants House, Belfast

There were no nominations for this conference.

Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland Spring Seminar. To be held on 14th and 15th February 2014 at Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran

There were no nominations for this conference.

The Northern Ireland Confederation for Health and Social Services, Better Together Improving Outcomes Through Innovation & Implementation, NICON 2014 Conference and Exhibition Programme

After discussion,

Councillor Blancy proposed,
Seconded by Councillor McIlroy and resolved,
“That Councillor Cunningham would be nominated to attend.”

It was agreed that Councillor Cunningham’s attendance would be subject to his checking his availability.

Policy Forum for Northern Ireland – Implementing Transforming Your Care – innovation, efficiency and cross-border collaboration

There were no nominations for this conference.

14/02:12

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

Occasional Licence for Conor Connolly of Dunvale Arms for Ruairi Og GAC for an event on 8th February 2014.

There were no objections to the above application.

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SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

There were no documents for signing and sealing.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Letter dated 1st January 2014 from NIO Public Appointments Unit regarding Appointment of Sheriffs 2014

This letter was noted.

Letter dated 6th January 2014 from the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety regarding review of Children’s Palliative and End-Of-Life Care: Launch of Draft Document for Consultation

Letter dated 8th January 2014 from HSENI giving an update on the work of the Exemplar Employer Group (EGG)

This letter was noted.

Letter dated 14th January 2014 from Roads Service regarding Stoney Loanan, Cushendall

This letter was noted.

Letter dated 16th January 2014 from AA Veterans Support regarding their Annual Black Tie Dinner

This letter was noted.

Letter dated 17th January 2014 from Roads Service regarding proposed introduction of 20mph zone at Whitehall Avenue, Ballycastle

This letter was noted.

Letter dated 17th January 2014 from Roads Service in response to Council's letter regarding Tromra Road and Street Lighting on Castlenegree Road and Whitepark Road, Ballycastle

This letter was noted.

Nilga Member Council Bulletin 16th January 20124

This letter was noted.

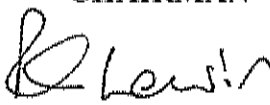
Letter dated 20th January 2014 from the Department of the Environment regarding Northern Ireland Councillor's Remuneration Stakeholder Events

After discussion,

Councillor N McAllister proposed,
Seconded by Councillor Graham and resolved,
"That Councillor Blaney be nominated to attend the Councillor's
Remuneration Stakeholder Events."

The meeting concluded at 20:10pm


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CHAIRMAN


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CLERK & CHIEF EXECUTIVE