

Coleraine Future Town Fund Board Minutes

Date of Meeting: Thursday 25th June 2026

Location: The Enterprise Centre, Coleraine.

Present and Absentees: List of Attendees detailed below on pages 3-5.

1.	Welcome / Apologies & Matters Arising	Gerry McKenna		
	Actions	Lead Chair	Status	Remarks
2.	For Decision	HK (SIB)		
	Actions	Lead	Status	Remarks
#1.	DD to check dates for assessment panels with members	DD		
3.	For Information	TH HK (SIB)		
	Actions	Lead	Status	Remarks
#2.	HK to arrange update meeting with Elected Members	HK		
#3.	DD to share link to CFTF LinkedIn account	DD		
#4.	HK to bring draft marketing protocol to meeting of CFTF board for approval	HK		
4.	DONM & AOB	Chair		
	Actions	Lead	Status	Remarks
	DONM Thursday 25 th June 2026 Causeway Enterprise Centre			

Red Not yet commenced
Yellow In Progress
Green Complete

1.	Welcome / Apologies Matters Arising	Chair
	GMK chaired meeting and noted that there were not enough voting CFTF Board members attending to have a quorum and therefore there would be no approvals sought, and tonight's meeting would be for information only. He welcomed Michael Devine to the Board who would be representing Coleraine Connect. GMK advised that a letter had been received and shared from Minister Caliskan with board members regarding governance. He advised that he had met the new CC&GBC mayor and the team had been invited to update council elected members at the December Council meeting.	
2.	For Decision	TH HK (SIB)
	GMK noted that as there was no quorum the minutes from the previous CFTF Board meeting in May could not be approved and would be held until the next board meeting in August. As there is no quorum no further decisions can be made or recorded. General discussion: GMK shared the results of the survey regarding start time for future CFTF Board meetings, advising 15 votes for 6.00pm start time and 2 votes for 7.00pm, and advised that the next board meeting would take place at 6.00pm on Thursday 27th of August in the University of Ulster. GMK noted that dates were required for assessment panels and online training, and that DD would be chasing up dates with members. HK shared an update on CFTF Assessment Panel Roadmap. TH noted the importance of confidentiality when Plans on a Page are shared with board members. PA requested that information be shared at least one week before assessment panel dates, HK agreed. VG requested that evening sessions be considered for online training, HK noted that dates would be as flexible as possible. KY requested if there was an option to start at 5.30pm.	
3.	For Information	HK TH (SIB)
	TH updated the board members on CFTF enabling projects. HK advised of a town centre animation task & finish group meeting on Monday 29th June. KY noted the importance of mapping everyone involved in the various Coleraine groups including Town Team, BID etc. TH updated those present on Riverways Blueways Scoping & Strategy & Town Centre Task & Finish Group and updated on the rapid feasibility study commission process.	

	MD questioned if the pedestrian area would be part of the access and movement study. TH confirmed it was. TH gave the board an update on Co-design & Engagement Activities including planned meetings. HK updated the board on the Heritage Trust Conference confirmed for the 2nd of September in Coleraine Town Hall. HK updated the board members on procurement & marketing, noting that the LinkedIn account has been set up and DD will send out the link. She advised that the chairs interview with The Chronicle had been published and will be circulated. She advised the marketing protocol will be brought back for signoff at the August Board meeting.
4.	DONM & AOB Chair
	Next CFTF Board meeting at 6.00pm Thursday 27th August 2026 @ Coleraine Campus Ulster University, Room E206-207.

Contact Name	Code	Attendance	Organisation
Chair			
Professor Gerry McKenna	GMK	1	Independent
Board Members			
Karen Yates	KY	1	Causeway Chamber Commerce
Rob Skelly	RS	0	Harbour Commissioner
Inspector Bjorn O'Brien	BOB	0	PSNI
Elaine Donnelly	ED	0	Coleraine Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (Chair)
Ann McNickle	AMN	0	Causeway Rural & Urban Network,
Jonny McKane	AMK	0	Council of Churches
Ian Donaghey	ID	0	Chairman Coleraine BID, Harbour Commissioner
Michael Devine	MD	1	Coleraine Connect
Jayne Taggart	JT	0	Enterprise Causeway
Duane Farrell	DF	0	The Honourable The Irish Society
Mark Lennox	ML	1	Northern Regional College
Victor Gault	VG	1	Ulster University

Contact Name	Code	Attendance	Organisation
Mark Alexander	MA	0	NI Housing Executive
Graeme Stevenson	GS	0	Arts Council NI
Caitlin Bond	CB	0	CCGBC Youth Forum
Charlie Smyth	CS	0	CCGBC Youth Forum
Henry Taggart	HT	0	Coleraine Town Team
Riley McCahon	RMC	1	Coleraine Equality Forum
Local MP			
Gregory Campbell	GC	0	MP
Elected Members			
Councillor Philip Anderson	PA	1	Coleraine DEA
Councillor Niamh Archibald	NA	0	Coleraine DEA
Alderman Yvonne Boyle	YB	0	Coleraine DEA
Councillor Tanya Elder	TE	0	Coleraine DEA (Teams)
Councillor Russell Watton	RW	0	Coleraine DEA
Councillor John Wisener	JW	0	Coleraine DEA
MLAS's Observers			
Caoimhe Archibald	CA	0	Sinn Féin Constituency: East Londonderry.
Maurice Bradley	MB	0	Democratic Unionist Party Constituency: East Londonderry
Cara Hunter	CH	0	<u>SDLP East Londonderry</u>
Claire Sugden	CS	0	Independent Constituency: East Londonderry
Departmental Observers			
Rhonda Williamson	RW	0	Department for Communities
Alan Keys	AK	0	Department for Infrastructure
Ann Marie Orr	AO	1	Tourism Ireland
Esther Dobbin	ED	0	Tourism NI
Justine Daly	JD	1	MAG Advisor Department for Communities
Yvonne McManus	YMM	0	PSNI
Council Officers			-
Niall McGurk	NMG	0	Head of Prosperity & Place
David Wright	DW	1	Head of Finance

Contact Name	Code	Attendance	Organisation
Pat Mulvenna	PMV	0	Director Leisure & Development
David Jackson	DJ	0	Chief Executive
Des Donnelly	DD	1	Secretariat to CFTF Board
Shane Mathers	SM	0	Principle Planning Officer
Julienne Elliott	JE	0	Town and Village Manager
Garry Mullan	GM	0	Community Planning Officer
SIB			-
Hazel King	HK	1	CFTF PM
Therese Hogg	TH	1	Community Engagement (SSU)
Gavin Boyd	GB	0	Communications
Total		13	



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