

<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>Meeting with Berth Holders &amp; Resident at Ballycastle Harbour</b>
<b>Committee Report Submitted To:</b>	<b>Environmental Services</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025</b>
<b>For Decision or For Information</b>	<b>For Information</b>
<b>To be discussed In Committee -YES/NO</b>	<b>No</b>

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)</b>	
Strategic Theme	Protecting and Enhancing Our Environments & Assets
Outcome	Our natural assets will be carefully managed to generate economic and social returns without compromising their sustainability for future generations.
Lead Officer	Director of Environmental Services

<b>Budgetary Considerations</b>	
Cost of Proposal	n/a
Included in Current Year Estimates	
Capital/Revenue	
Code	
Staffing Costs	

<b>Legal Considerations</b>	
Input of Legal Services Required	<b>YES/NO</b>
Legal Opinion Obtained	<b>YES/NO</b>

<b>Screening Requirements</b>	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date: N/A
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date: N/A
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date: N/A
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date: N/A
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date: N/A
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:

## **1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To provide Members with a summary of the meeting which took place on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at Portnagree House, Ballycastle and the outcome of the meeting.

## **2.0 Background**

- 2.1 Mr Allister MP requested a meeting with the Director of Environmental Services and relevant stake holders which included commercial berth holders, a North Street resident & leisure berth holder.
- 2.2 Council officers who attended including the Director of Environmental Services Head of Capital Works, Energy & Infrastructure, Senior Harbour Master Concessionary Trading and Car Parks Manager and Business Support

## **3.0 Meeting**

- 3.1 Mr Allister outlined the reason for the meeting and each representative provided input into their concerns. The content of which was as follows:-
- To consider the Councils lack of dedicated parking provision for berth holders and North Street residents
  - To request dedicated parking for harbour / marina berth holders given their need to interreact with their vessels (30 - 40 spaces – amounting to 50% occupancy of the marina car park to be segregated from the rest of the car park)
  - To request a second free permit for berth holders
  - To request a Residents parking permit for occupants of North Street Ballycastle to park freely within the seafront car parks
  - An “on street” residents parking permit scheme.
  - The attendee’s expressed dissatisfaction with the car parking consultation process.
- 3.2 All queries were addressed by the officers. The attendees were informed that Members agreed to introduce seasonal car parking charges at all Ballycastle sea front car parks in February 2025 and that a harbour / marina berth holder can avail of a free virtual parking permit. It was agreed to monitor the parking this season and have another meeting with the group in October 2025.
- 3.4 Since the meeting officers have received 4 correspondences from commercial operators working out of Ballycastle Harbour requesting additional permits for commercial operators.
- 4.0 Members of the ES Committee are asked to note the paper.