

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2025

Table of Recommendations

No	Item	Summary of key	Estimated
NO	item	Recommendations	Timescale for
			completion
1.	Apologies	Councillors C Archibald.	-
		Mairs	
2.	Declarations of Interest	Nil	_
	Designations of interest		
3.	Minutes of previous meeting	Confirmed as a correct	_
J.	held Tuesday 9 th September	record	_
	2025	record	
	2023		
4.	Entertainments Licensing	To recommend that Council	
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	Report	grant items 1.1 and 1.2 as set	
		out above.	
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5.	Petroleum Licensing Report	To recommend that Council	
		grant items 1.1 and 1.2 as set	
		out above.	
6.	Road Closure Order Report	To recommend that Council	
		grant items 1.1 and 1.2 as set	
		out above.	
7.	Consultation on Local Authority	To recommend that Council	N/A
	and District Council Guidance	do not send a Corporate	
	on Grey Market Goods	response	
8.	Sale of Compost Report	To recommend that Council	N/A
		approves the price increase	
		for sale of NWP supplied	
		compost from £12 per tonne	
		(plus vat) to £20 per tonne	

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			completion
		(plus vat) until a business	
		case has been completed	
		regarding the replacement	
		shredder, and a further	
		decision can then be made	
		about whether to continue	
		with this arrangement or to	
		replace the shredder	
9.	Licences Issued under	Noted	-
	Delegated Authority		
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10.	Entertainment Licence	Noted	-
	Renewals		
11.	Pavement Café Licence	Noted	-
	Renewals		
12.	Petroleum Spirit Licence	Noted	-
	Renewals		
13	Update on enforcement of new	Noted	-
	legislation relating to the control		
	of XL Bull Dogs		
14.	Bio-Secure Ports: Setting the	Noted	-
	Standard for Small Harbour		
	Protection		
15.	P4 Management Accounts	Noted	-
16.	P5 Management Accounts	Noted	-
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17.	Matters for Reporting to	None	-
	Partnership Panel		
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18.	Consultations	None	-
		-	
19.	Correspondence	None	_

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No	Item	Summary of key	Estimated
		Recommendations	Timescale for
			completion
20.	Any Other Relevant Business		
	(notified in accordance with		
	Standing Order 12 (0))		
20.1	Street Naming and Numbering	Information	
	policy		
	'In Committee'		
	(Item 21)		
21.	Street Trading Licence	Noted	
	Renewals		

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC HEADQUARTERS AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2025 AT 7.00 PM

In the Chair: Alderman S McKillop (C)

Members Present: Alderman Fielding (C), Hunter (R)

Councillors Bateson (R), Callaghan (C), Chivers (R), Elder

(C), Holmes (C), Huggins (C), Kane (C), Jonathan McAuley (C), MA McKillop (R), McQuillan (R),

Officers Present: A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services (C)

J Keen, Committee and Member Services Officer (C)

In Attendance: L Boyd, ICT Officer (C)

A Lennox, ICT Officer (C)

Press: (3 no.) (R)

Substitutions: Councillor Peacock substituted for Councillor C Archibald

Councillor Watson substituted for Councillor McGlinchey

Key: (C) Attended in the Chamber

(R) Attended Remotely

The Chair advised Committee of its obligations and protocol whilst the meeting was being audio recorded.

The Director of Environmental Services undertook a roll call.

Councillor Peacock expressed condolences to Councillor C Archibald and family for their recent bereavement.

The Chair also expressed condolences to Councillor C Archibald and family.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Councillor C Archibald and Councillor Mairs.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD TUESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2025

Copy, previously circulated, was presented as read.

Proposed by Councillor McAuley

Seconded by Councillor Huggins and

AGREED – that the Minutes of the Environmental Services committee meeting held Tuesday 9 September 2025 were confirmed as a correct record.

4. ENTERTAINMENTS LICENSING REPORT

Report, previously circulated.

ENTERTAINMENTS LICENCE 1.1 GRANT OF INDOOR ENTERTAINMENTS LICENCE

Licence No: EL208

Premises: Dunloy & Hannah McCracken Memorial Hall, 12 Station

Road, Dunloy

Application: Grant of an Occasional Indoor Entertainments Licence

Days and times on which it is applied to provide

entertainment:

Monday to Friday 12:00hrs to 02:00hrs

Saturday 12:00hrs to 00:00hrs

PSNI/

NIFRS: No objections received

Recommendation

It is recommended to grant an Annual Indoor Entertainments Licence subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Council's Licensing Department.

1.2 GRANT OF INDOOR ENTERTAINMENTS LICENCE

Licence No: EL266

Premises: Stranocum Community Centre, 65 Main Street,

Stranocum

Application: Grant of an Occasional Indoor Entertainments

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Days and times on which it is applied to provide

entertainment:

Monday to Sunday 09:00hrs to 23:00hrs

Representations: Closing date 16th October 2025

PSNI: Closing date 7th October 2025.

NIFRS: No objections received.

Recommendation

It is recommended to grant an Annual Indoor Entertainments Licence subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Council's Licensing Department and no objections being received from representations or PSNI.

Proposed by Councillor Huggins
Seconded by Councillor Kane and

AGREED – to recommend that Council grant items 1.1 and 1.2 as set out above.

5. PETROLEUM LICENSING REPORT

Report, previously circulated.

PETROLEUM SPIRIT LICENCE

1.1 GRANT OF PETROLEUM LICENCE

Premises: Logan Brothers, 36 Drumadoon Road, Cloughmills

Application: Application has been received for the grant of a petroleum licence at the above premises. The application is for the storage of Petrol in one underground tank.

Recommendation

It is recommended to grant a Petroleum Licence subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Councils Licensing Department.

1.2 GRANT OF PETROLEUM LICENCE

Premises: Hillhead Service Station, 60 Coleraine Road, Ballycastle

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Application: Application has been received for the grant of a petroleum licence at the above premises. The application is for the storage of Petrol in one underground tank.

Recommendation

It is recommended to grant a Petroleum Licence subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Councils Licensing Department.

Proposed by Councillor Huggins Seconded by Councillor Kane

AGREED – to recommend that Council grant items 1.1 and 1.2 as set out above.

6. ROAD CLOSURE ORDER REPORT

Report, previously circulated.

ROAD CLOSURE ORDER

1.1 GRANT OF ROAD CLOSURE ORDER

The undernoted application to hold a special event on a public road has been received by Council in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation (NI) Order 1997.

Reference No: EH 833675

Application: Grant of a Road Closure Order for the Coleraine Christmas

light switch-on

Day and times on which it is applied to close the road: Friday 28th November 2025 from 16:00 hrs until 22:00 hrs

Representation Closing date 15th October 2025

PSNI/NIFRS/DfI/ Closing date 2nd October 2025

NIAS/Translink:

Recommendation

It is recommended that Council grant a Road Closure Order subject to no objections/representations received from the consultations, with Dfl consent and compliance with the conditions of the Order, that the applicant:-

 Has insured against such risks in connection with the holding of the event on the above roads to the value of £10,000,000.

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- Erects, places and removes all barriers and signs as per the traffic management plan between: 16:00hrs until 22:00hrs on 28th November 2025.
- Provides access to emergency services in the event of an emergency situation.

1.2 GRANT OF ROAD CLOSURE ORDER

The undernoted application to hold a special event on a public road has been received by Council in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation (NI) Order 1997.

Reference No: EH 833676

Application: Grant of a Road Closure Order for the Ballymoney Christmas

light switch-on

Day and times on which it is applied to close the road:

Thursday 20th November 2025 from 16:00 hrs until 22:00 hrs

Representation Closing date 15th October 2025

PSNI/NIFRS/DfI/ Closing date 2nd October 2025

NIAS/Translink:

Recommendation

It is recommended that Council grant a Road Closure Order subject to no objections/representations received from the consultations, with Dfl consent and compliance with the conditions of the Order, that the applicant:-

- Has insured against such risks in connection with the holding of the event on the above roads to the value of £10,000,000.
- Erects, places and removes all barriers and signs as per the traffic management plan between: 16:00hrs until 22:00hrs on 20th November 2025.
- Provides access to emergency services in the event of an emergency situation.

Councillor Elder stated there have been traders trading without a licence at previous Christmas events in Ballymoney and Coleraine and requested that there are Officers available at future Halloween and Christmas events, so this does not happen again.

The Director of Environmental Services advised more Officers can be made available at the events.

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Proposed by Councillor McAuley
Seconded by Councillor Elder and

AGREED – to recommend that Council grant items 1.1 and 1.2 as set out above.

7. CONSULTATION ON LOCAL AUTHORITY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL GUIDANCE ON GREY MARKET GOODS

Report, previously circulated.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide a Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council response to the consultation.

Background

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) has issued a consultation seeking stakeholders' views on enforcement guidance relating to Grey Market goods in the United Kingdom

The consultation seeks comments and feedback in relation to guidance produced by the FSA to support enforcement authorities identifying and taking action on food not intended for the UK market. These foods, also known as 'Grey Market goods', can contain unauthorised or excessive additives and/or ingredients which do not meet requirements set out in UK food safety legislation. They may also fail to identify allergens in the prescribed format.

The consultation, including the proposed guidance, can be found at: https://www.food.gov.uk/news-alerts/consultations/consultation-on-local-authority-and-district-council-guidance-on-grey-market-goods-in-the-united-kingdom

Attached as Appendix 1 is a suggested response to the consultation.

The consultation closing date is 24th October 2025.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Committee approves the response for submission by the consultation closing date, subject to subsequent endorsement or amendment by full Council.

Councillor Huggins stated that this draft guidance reflects that Northern Ireland is subject to directly applicable EU food law and related enforcement and that the European Commission is the authorising body for the food additives so in

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our view this is an unacceptable situation and as a result we do not support the corporate response that is proposed.

Proposed by Councillor Huggins
Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

AGREED – to recommend that Council do not send a corporate response

* Councillor MA McKillop joined the meeting remotely at 7:11pm

8. SALE OF COMPOST REPORT

Report, previously circulated.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to ask Members to approve a price increase for the sale of compost at Letterloan Composting Facility.

Background

Prior to 1st July 2025, all green waste received via Household Recycling Centres and at Letterloan Composting Facility was composted at the latter and made available for sale.

Compost production ceased following a shredder on site being put beyond use.

Green waste received by council is currently collected and processed by Natural World Products (NWP). This is in addition to the Biowaste Contract with NWP for the processing and treatment of mixed food and garden waste collected via the household kerbside brown bin service.

Supply of Compost

Under the terms of the Biowaste contract, council can request up to 10% of the contract waste in a 12 month period. The cost of the processed material is deemed to be included in the contractor's gate fee.

In 2024-25, NWP processed c.12,900 tonnes of biowaste on behalf of council. During the same period, there was 1,964 tonnes of compost sold at Letterloan.

Whilst no charge is applicable for the supply of up to 10% of contract waste processed into compost, a charge is applicable for the haul of compost by NWP to Letterloan.

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Price Increase

To cover the cost of haul and handling of compost on site, it is proposed to increase the price of compost on sale at Letterloan from the current price of £12 per tonne (plus vat) to £20 per tonne (plus vat).

Purchase of compost to be limited to 1 tonne per visit.

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that Committee approves the price increase for sale of NWP supplied compost from £12 per tonne (plus vat) to £20 per tonne (plus vat).

In response to questions the Director of Environmental Services advised that the increase in cost for compost is in relation to cost recovery for haulage and the handling of material and stated that the increased price is still a fair price. The Director of Environmental Services confirmed that a business case is being prepared for replacing the broken shredder.

Councillor Kane expressed concern regarding the significant increase in price and stated there is a need to having a wider plan in place.

In response to further questions the Director of Environmental Services confirmed he will send details of processing costs to Elected Members.

Councillor Holmes proposed the recommendation - that Committee approves the price increase for sale of NWP supplied compost from £12 per tonne (plus vat) to £20 per tonne (plus vat).

Councillor Huggins suggested to amend the proposal so it is to approve the recommendation until a business case has been completed regarding the replacement shredder, and a further decision can then be made about whether to continue with this arrangement or to replace the shredder.

Councillor Holmes agreed to add this to the proposal.

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Councillor Huggins and

AGREED – to recommend that Council approves the price increase for sale of NWP supplied compost from £12 per tonne (plus vat) to £20 per tonne (plus vat) until a business case has been completed regarding the replacement shredder, and a further decision can then be made about whether to continue with this arrangement or to replace the shredder

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9. LICENCES ISSUED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Report, previously circulated.

The below licences were issued under Delegated Authority during the last report period (circulated within the report).

Delegated authority was used to issue licences for the above applicants due to time constraints and to enable the premises to provide entertainment.

Decisions to grant or vary entertainment licences will continue to be brought before Council with delegated authority used only in exceptional circumstances

Committee NOTED the report.

10. ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE RENEWALS

Report, previously circulated.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (NI) ORDER 1985

ENTERTAINMENT LICENCES

The undernoted applications for an entertainments licence have been received, acknowledged and processed during the report period (circulated within the report).

Committee NOTED the report.

11. PAVEMENT CAFÉ LICENCE RENEWALS

Report, previously circulated.

LICENSING OF PAVEMENT CAFES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2014

The undernoted applications for a pavement café licence have been received, acknowledged and processed during the report period (circulated within the report).

Committee NOTED the report.

12. PETROLEUM SPIRIT LICENCE RENEWALS

Report, previously circulated.

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PETROLEUM (REGULATION) ACTS 1929 AND 1937

PETROLEUM SPIRIT LICENCES

The undernoted applications for renewal of petroleum spirit licence have been received, acknowledged and processed during the report period (circulated within the report).

Committee NOTED the report.

13. UPDATE ON ENFORCEMENT OF NEW LEGISLATION RELATING TO THE CONTROL OF XL BULL DOGS

Report, previously circulated.

Purpose of Paper

The purpose of this paper is to update Members on the enforcement of recently introduced legislation regarding the control of XL Bull Dogs.

Background

Since 1991 it has been an offence to possess certain designated breeds in Northern Ireland without certain controls in place. Previously there were 4 prohibited breeds:

- Pitbull type
- Japanese Tosa
- Dogo Argentina
- Fila Brasiliero

In 2024 following a spate of fatal attacks the dog type known as XL Bull dogs was also added to the list of prohibited breeds – Dangerous Dogs (Designated Types) Order (Northern Ireland) 2024. From 31st December 2024 it became an offence to possess an XL Bull dog unless the owner has an exemption certificate issued under the relevant legislation

The exemption conditions are:

- the dog is neutered
- the dog is kept leashed and muzzled when in a public place
- when not in a public place, the dog is in sufficiently secure conditions
- the dog is made available to council dog wardens for inspection
- The council is notified of any change of address of the dog, or of the death or export of the dog
- third party insurance policy is taken out for the dog

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Implementation of the legislation

Before the introduction of the legislation the Enforcement Team delivered an awareness-raising programme aimed at relevant dog owners. This included issuing written correspondence to all known XL Bully owners, publishing press releases, providing information on the Council's website, and conducting personal visits to offer advice and guidance on the exemption scheme.

The exemption scheme was available to XL bull dog owners for a 12 month period, ending on the 31st December 2024. During this time the team successfully granted 47 exemption certificates, allowing owners to legally keep their XL bull dogs.

At the end of the exemption scheme several XL bull dogs remained that had not achieved exemption and were therefore being kept illegally. At that stage, the only option available for owners to keep their dogs lawfully is to bring the matter before the Court, allowing a District Judge to determine whether the dogs can be kept safely. Where a District Judge is satisfied that an XL Bull dog does not pose a risk, a Contingent Destruction Order is issued, requiring the owner to comply with the same control measures set out under the exemption scheme.

To bring the matter before the Court Council is required to seize the dog using relevant powers under the Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983. The remaining known unexempted dogs were prioritised according to the level of perceived risk. Council officers attended Court and obtained warrants to enter premises and seize any dogs being kept illegally. To date six warrants have been granted and executed by the Enforcement Team with the assistance of officers from other Councils and the PSNI.

Of the six seizures, four Contingent Destruction Orders were granted and the dogs returned to their owners.

Two owners did not receive a Contingent Destruction Order for their dogs. In one case the District Judge agreed with Council that the circumstances in which the dog was being kept posed a grave risk to the public. In the second case, the owner informed Council that they did not wish to have the dog returned. Both dogs were humanely destroyed.

A further three XL bull dogs were seized in a public place without the need for a warrant. Two owners received a Contingent Destruction Order and their dogs were returned. The owner of third dog ceased communicating with Council and as these dogs cannot be rehomed, the dog was humanely destroyed.

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The Enforcement Team continues to deal with any unexempted dogs that comes to the Departments attention to ensure such dogs are kept legally and as safely as possible.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Environmental Services Committee notes the information above

Committee NOTED the report.

14. BIO-SECURE PORTS: SETTING THE STANDARD FOR SMALL HARBOUR PROTECTION

Report, previously circulated presented as read.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the successful grant application to provide Bio-Security at Ports: Setting the Standard for Small Harbour Protection.

Background

Council have been working closely with the RAFT project on Rathlin to eradicate the invasive species of rats and ferrets from Rathlin to protect and grow the declining bird population on the Island. To do so, it is critical to make sure that these invasive species do not return to the island once the RAFT project is complete. Council in partnership with RAFT, RSPB and RDCA agreed to apply for grant aid to assist with the delivery of Bio-security at our Ports in Ballycastle and Rathlin.

An application was submitted to DAERA Environment Fund Challenge Competition on 7th March 2025 for a total project cost of £238,750 over a 3year period. This would entail a contribution from Council of £33,270 from the Harbour and Marina maintenance budget. Significant work went into the funding application from the Funding Development Officer with assistance from the Harbour Master and representatives from the partner organisations.

Project Details

The project will establish a comprehensive bio-security programme to prevent the reintroduction of invasive species (brown rats and feral ferrets) at Ballycastle and Rathlin Harbours. This will be achieved through the following key actions: Infrastructure & Physical Bio-security Measures (Appendix A)

• Install monitoring stations and digital tracking technology at key entry points.

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- Apply surface repellents in high-risk areas (cargo zones, ferry loading areas).
- Seal gaps and entry points in harbour infrastructure to prevent rodent access.
- Implement rodent-proof waste storage and disposal solutions.
- Maintain invasive species arrivals by 100% within 12 months.

This project strengthens habitat protection and species recovery, aligning with Northern Ireland's 30x30 commitment by: Preventing habitat degradation, protecting and expanding seabird nesting sites, and ensuring long-term ecosystem resilience. By proactively controlling invasive species, the project ensures sustainable conservation, safeguarding Rathlin's biodiversity and meeting the funding targets.

Timescales

Months 1-2

- Project initiation and engagement.
- Appoint biosecurity team, develop training resources, procure equipment.

Month 3

- Planning application to be prepared, estimated for works in year 2.
- Monitoring & Surveillance
 - Conduct routine inspections of vessels, cargo, and ferry storage.
 - Implement rodent-proof waste management at both harbours by Month 6-9 (storage bins, establish regular waste checks)
 - Establish a rapid response protocol in case of rodent sightings.
 - Deploy motion-triggered cameras to track potential incursions.

Months 3-6

- Procure & install monitoring stations, tracking systems, and apply repellents Public Awareness & Community Engagement (education).
- Host 2 community information sessions per annum with local schools/community groups to include baseline and progress surveys.
- Deliver biosecurity training to minimum 5-10 people within these use groups: ferry operators, harbour staff, and local businesses.

Outcome

On the 18th September 2025 Council received a letter of offer from DEARA stating they were successful with a total Grant offer of £173,789 over 2 years -

 1 April 2025 – 31 March 2026: Up to £128,789 at up to 86.1% of eligible costs: and

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1 April 2026 – 31 March 2027: Up to £45,000 at up to 78.55% of eligible costs.

A total Council contribution to the works will be 20,792 + 12,288 = £33,080 which will come out of the Harbour and Marina maintenance budget.

Work will commence as soon as possible.

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that Committee notes the report.

AGREED – to recommend that Council notes the report.

15. P4 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS

Report, previously circulated presented as read.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report to provide Members with information on the current financial position of Environmental Services Directorate at the end of Period 4.

Background

Council has approved the annual budget for Environmental Service and delegated authority to officers to utilise this budget in the provision of services to the rate payers. ES budget for 2025/26 is £32,689,479.07. This is based on expenditure budget of £39,511,868.06 and income budget of £6,822,388.99.

The Environmental Services position at Period 4 shows a £192,681.52 adverse variance (P3 was a £63k adverse variance).

The main costs and income attributing to the ES P4 position are summarised as follows as variances against budget.

- Employee costs are £63k adverse
- Premises costs are £64k favourable
- Transport Costs are £131k adverse
- Supplies and Services are £283k adverse
- Support Services are £28k adverse
- Third Party Payments are £2k favourable
- Income is £12k adverse

Table circulated within the report to show expenditure per service area.

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Capital Expenditure

The table below sets out the capital expenditure that has been approved through Council thus far for the 2025/26 Financial Year (table circulated within the report).

Recommendation

Members are requested to note the paper.

This item was considered with Item 16 – P5 Management Accounts

Committee NOTED the report.

16. P5 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS

Report, previously circulated presented as read.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report to provide Members with information on the current financial position of Environmental Services Directorate at the end of Period 5.

Background

Council has approved the annual budget for Environmental Service and delegated authority to officers to utilise this budget in the provision of services to the rate payers. ES budget for 2025/26 is £32,689,479.07. This is based on expenditure budget of £39,511,868.06 and income budget of £6,822,388.99.

The Environmental Services position at Period 5 shows a £253,379.20 adverse variance (P4 was a £193k adverse variance).

The main costs and income attributing to the ES P5 position are summarised as follows as variances against budget (tables circulated within the report).

- Employee costs are £123k adverse
- Premises costs are £73k favourable
- Transport Costs are £138k favourable
- Supplies and Services are £408k adverse Support Services are £32k adverse
- Third Party Payments are £21k favourable
- Income is £78k favourable

Table circulated within the report to show expenditure per service area.

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Capital Expenditure

The table below sets out the capital expenditure that has been approved through Council thus far for the 2025/26 Financial Year (table circulated within the report).

Recommendation

Members are requested to note the paper.

In response to questions the Director of Environmental Services stated that employee costs being adverse are due to overtime in part, in-year events that were not budgeted for such as the Joey Dunlop event, that some costs were underestimated such as The Open, and that variances with employee costs tend to go over budget in the first 6 months of the year and reduce thereafter.

In response to further questions the Director of Environmental Services advised the income from building control was overestimated and this will not be achieved. The Director of Environmental Services advised the possible total adverse may be £400k but will be working to reduce this.

17. MATTERS FOR REPORTING TO PARTNERSHIP PANEL

There were no matters to report to the Partnership Panel.

18. CONSULTATIONS

There were no consultations

19. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

CHANGE IN ORDER OF BUSINESS

At the request of Councillor Bateson, the Chair allowed Any Other Relevant Business to be considered at this point of the meeting.

20. ANY OTHER RELEVANT BUSINESS (NOTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 12 (0))

20.1 Street Naming and Numbering policy

Councillor Bateson

"To ask the Director of Environmental Services to bring back a review/report on the Council's Bi-Lingual Signage Policy for next months ES Committee".

Councillor Bateson requested that the Director of Environmental Services bring a report on the Council's policy on bilingual signage stating that it had been

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over a decade since it had last been reviewed. Councillor Bateson stressed the need to review policies and highlighted it was a recommendation from the Audit Office to do so. Councillor Bateson referred to the public commentary surrounding this request and stated that no decision has yet been taken and no discussion has occurred in the Chamber. Councillor Bateson proposed that this policy be brought back for review next month or preferably before Christmas and going forward being created in the normal cycle of periodic policy reviews.

The Director of Environmental Services advised that the relevant policy is the Street Naming and Numbering policy which contains a section on bilingual signage. The Director of Environmental Services confirmed this policy is currently being reviewed as some elements need to be changed.

In response to questions from the Chair the Director of Environmental Services agreed to provide the Chair with further details of what elements need to be changed in the Street Naming and Numbering policy.

Discussion ensued regarding listing all policies within the Environmental Services Directorate and reviewing those which need to be reviewed.

In response to questions the Director of Environmental Services confirmed that a report will be brought to the Environmental Services Committee listing the policies in place and when they are due to be reviewed.

In response to questions for clarity the Director of Environmental Services advised that the Street Naming and Property Numbering policy is the relevant policy to address the request from Councillor Bateson as it contains a section on bilingual signage, that this policy is currently under review and all efforts will be made to bring this policy before the Environmental Services Committee within the timescale requested.

During debate the Chair ruled she would not take a proposal on an item of Any Other Relevant Business.

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'

Proposed by Councillor Callaghan
Seconded by Councillor Elder and

AGREED – to recommend that Council move 'In Committee'.

* Press and Public left the meeting at 7:50pm

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The information contained in the following item is restricted in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014.

21. STREET TRADING LICENCE RENEWALS

Confidential report, by virtue of paragraph 12 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (NI) was previously circulated.

STREET TRADING (NI) ACT 2001

The undernoted applications for a street trading licence have been received, acknowledged and processed during the report period.

Unique Reference Number	Type of Licence	Commodity	Location
TSTM	Temporary	Various Stalls	Main Street,
086/2025			Bushmills

Committee NOTED the report.

This being all the business, the Chair thanked Elected Members for their attendance. The meeting closed at 7:52pm

Ch	air

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