

# Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council

Council Meeting Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2015

## Key Decisions

No	Item	Decision
4.	Minutes of the Council Meeting held 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	<i>Confirmed</i>
5.	Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2015	<i>Confirmed</i>
6.	Minutes of Environmental Services Committee held on 4 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 6.1 Grass Cutting	<i>Adopt subject to amendment</i>  <i>Costing Report to be brought back</i>
7.	Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee held on 11 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 7.1 Partnership Panel Items 7.1.1 Portrush Regeneration Programme 7.1.2 Education and Library Board 7.2 Portstewart Environmental Improvement Scheme 7.3 Sports and Leisure Facilities Strategy 7.4 PSCP Update 7.5 Adoption of Minutes	 <i>Raise through Partnership Panel</i> <i>Raise through Partnership Panel</i> <i>Noted</i>  <i>Bring further info to next Committee Meeting</i> <i>Raise through Partnership Panel and write to the Minister for Justice</i> <i>Adopt subject to amendments at 7.1.1,7.1.2,7.3,7.4</i>
8.	Minutes of Corporate Policy and Resources Committee Meeting held 18 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 8.1 Appointment of Diversity Champion 8.2 Branding 8.3 Notice of Motion 8.4 Adoption of Minutes	 <i>Alderman S McKillop</i> <i>Noted</i> <i>Chief Executive to progress</i> <i>Adopt subject to amendment at 8.1</i>
9.	House of Lords Select Committee on Social Mobility: Call for Evidence	<i>Noted</i>
10.	NILGA	<i>Support</i>
11.	Translink, New Bus and Rail Service Timetables	<i>Noted</i>

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12.	Seal Documents Vendor Licence Agreements Grave Registry Certificates Ballymoney Cemetery Nos 1462 – 1467 inclusive Grant of Right of Burial Deeds Register No 4267 – 4276 (Coleraine 5; Ballywillan 2; Portstewart 2; Agherton 1) Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial, Enagh Cemetery, Limavady – 423 – 428 inclusiv Purchase of Lands at Articlave  Tidy up scheme at 5 Bridge Street, Coleraine with Bridge Park Developments Ltd Agreement relating to advance for purchase of car, employee number 702/2001 Agreement relating to advance for purchase of car, employee number 502/2002	<i>Seal Affixed</i>
13.	Consultations 13.1 Department of Justice - Consultation on the Community Cohesion Strategy 2015 – 2020 13.2 NI Assembly - The Committee for Regional Development – Water and Sewerage Services Bill 13.3 Department of the Environment - Consultation on the Draft Waste Management (Amendment No 3) Regulations (NI) 2015 13.4 Fermanagh & Omagh District Council - Public Consultation - Equality	<i>Noted</i>
14.	Matters for Reporting to Partnership Panel 14.1 Street Lighting	
15.	Presentations to Council	<i>Investigate Options</i>
16.	Enterprise Zone Update Request	<i>Letter to OFMDFM</i>
17.	Rotation of Committee Meetings	<i>Investigate</i>
18.	Pipe Band Competition Admission Fee	<i>Noted</i>

## **Council Meeting**

Minutes of the Meeting of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 7.00pm

In the Chair: The Mayor, Councillor Knight-McQuillan

Present: Aldermen, Hickey, Hillis, McKillop S, Mullan, Robinson  
Councillors Beattie, Blair, Callan, Chivers, Clarke, Douglas, Duddy, Fielding, Finlay, Fitzpatrick, Holmes, King, McCandless, McCaul, McCorkell, McGlinchey, McGuigan, M A McKillop, McLean, McShane P, Mulholland, Stevenson, Watton, Wilson

In attendance: Mr D Jackson, Clerk and Chief Executive  
Mrs M Quinn, Director of Performance  
Mr A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services  
Mr R Baker, Director of Leisure and Development  
Mrs S Duggan, Democratic Services  
Mrs C Toner, Democratic Services

Also in attendance: Ms E Johnson, Head of Democratic and Customer Services  
Mrs J Welsh, Head of Community and Culture

S Todd, A Hamilton, Translink (Item 3)

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were recorded from Aldermen Campbell, Cole, McKeown, and Councillors Baird, Hunter, McShane C, Loftus, Nicholl and Quigley

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No Declarations of Interest were recorded.

### **3. PRESENTATION – TRANSLINK**

The Chair welcomed Mr. Todd and Mr. Hamilton to the meeting. Members received a verbal presentation in the form of an update on public transport in the Causeway Coast and Glens area and more specifically, it was advised that;

- Funding had been decreased by 20% which left a £13 million funding gap
- Large scale public consultation had resulted in DRD giving permission to implement changes to services, a new timetable was available and effective from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015
- Further public consultations would take place going forward
- Services had been reduced, not removed
- Over 6,000 changes had been made to existing services

Members voiced concerns relating to a reduction of services in rural areas and the impact of such on the elderly population. Members felt that more work could be done in terms of liaising with private bus service providers to address this issue. Mr. Hamilton advised that consideration would be given to this within their business plan.

Following a Members question relating to public awareness of the changes to timetables, it was advised that vast marketing initiatives had been carried out through the marketing department and public consultations had been carried out within the Borough with two more taking place in the coming week.

*\* Councillor Duddy joined the meeting at 7.15pm during discussion of this item.*

#### **4. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD 28<sup>th</sup> JULY 2015**

It was proposed by Alderman King, seconded by Alderman Hickey and **AGREED: that the minutes of the Council Meeting held 28<sup>th</sup> July 2015 be confirmed as a correct record.**

#### **5. MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 22<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2015**

It was **AGREED: that the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2015 be confirmed as a correct record.**

#### **6. MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON 4<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2015**

Councillor Fielding presented the Minutes.

#### **Matters Arising**

##### **6.1 Grass Cutting (ES150804.5)**

Following a Member's question, the Director of Environmental Services advised that a plotting exercise had highlighted lands which Council currently maintained but did not own and that this 'third party land' was land neither owned by Council nor DRD. He further advised this function would not continue.

Councillor McGuigan referred to a Policy of Equality for grass cutting across the Borough.

##### **Amendment**

It was proposed by Councillor McGuigan, seconded by Councillor Mulholland and **AGREED: to look at the cost to continue increasing the grass cutting service historically carried out by DRD in villages and urban areas.**

It was further advised that both Members and residents of those areas concerned would be informed should grass cutting activity cease.

## **6.2 Adoption of Minutes**

It was proposed by Councillor Fielding, seconded by Councillor M A McKillop and AGREED: **that the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee held 4<sup>th</sup> August 2015 be adopted and the recommendations contained therein approved, subject to the amendment at 6.1 above.**

## **7. MINUTES OF LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 11<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2015**

Councillor M A McKillop presented the minutes.

### **Matters Arising**

#### **7.1 Partnership Panel items**

Councillor Clarke advised that he had raised issues for referral to the Partnership Panel at the Committee meeting

##### **7.1.1 Portrush Regeneration Programme**

The Director of Leisure and Development would seek clarity in relation to Capital Government Funding of the Portrush Regeneration Programme.

##### **7.1.2 Education and Library Board**

The Director of Leisure and Development would re-engage with the Education and Library Board regarding shared use of the MUGA at Harpers Hill Primary School, Coleraine.

#### **7.2 Portstewart Environmental Improvement Scheme**

Following a Member's question the Director of Leisure and Development advised that such projects had always been 50/50 funded by Council and DRD and it was estimated that in the region of £25,000 had been spent on the project to date, however, this figure would be confirmed. The Director of Environmental Services further advised that some work to Portstewart Town Hall was complete and the building was structurally secure.

#### **7.3 Sports and Leisure Facilities Strategy (L&D150811.9)**

Councillor P McShane proposed that the Strategy should include a provision for those outside organisations who were prepared to help expedite to deliver services on behalf of Council, in terms of provision of lands and other financial resources.

Alderman S McKillop proposed that more information be brought back to Committee, this was seconded by Councillor Duddy.

The vote was carried with 19 votes for, 5 against and no abstentions.

#### **7.4 Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PSCP) Update (L&D150811.13)**

Councillor Duddy sought an update on PCSP budget.

The Director of Leisure and Development advised that until clarify was sought, he could not offer comment.

It was proposed by Councillor Duddy, seconded by Councillor McCorkell and **AGREED: that the matter be raised through the Partnership Panel and also to write to the Minister for Justice to highlight the difficulties and impact to staff, PCSP members and groups dependent on funding.**

#### **7.5 Adoption of Minutes**

It was proposed by Alderman S McKillop, seconded by Councillor Callan and **AGREED: that the Minutes of the Leisure and Development Committee held 11<sup>th</sup> August 2015 be adopted and the recommendations contained therein approved, subject to the amendments at 7.1, 7.3 and 7.4 above.**

Councillor Stevenson recorded his opposition to the adoption of the minutes as he disagreed with the 'zoning' in the Sports and Leisure Facilities Strategy.

### **8. MINUTES OF THE CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2015**

Alderman Hillis presented the minutes and proposed their adoption.

#### **Matters Arising**

#### **8.1 Appointment of Diversity Champion (CPR150818.13.1)**

Amendment

It was proposed by Councillor Fielding, seconded by Alderman Finlay and **AGREED; to appoint Alderman S McKillop as Diversity Champion.**

#### **8.2 Branding (CPR150818.4)**

It was proposed by Councillor Harding and seconded by Alderman Hickey that: **Council hold a competition open to all education establishments in the Borough of Causeway Coast and Glens, to design a flag for this Council.**

On being put to the vote 8 Members voted for and 17 against.  
The Mayor declared the proposal was lost.

Councillor McGuigan stated that, as his party had "Called – In" a previous decision, they abstained from the vote.

### 8.3 Notice of Motion (CPR150818.15)

Referring to the Notice of Motion Alderman S McKillop stated the responsibility lies with Stormont and sought an update on the implications of implementing the Armed Forces Covenant. The Chief Executive advised that he had held preliminary discussions and would have a further meeting.

### 8.4 Adoption of Minutes

It was proposed by Alderman Hillis, seconded by Councillor Duddy and AGREED: **that the minutes of the Corporate Policy and Resources Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> June 2015 be adopted and the recommendations contained therein approved, subject to amendment at 8.1 above.**

Councillor McGuigan recorded his party's opposition to the adoption of the Minutes as the party was in favour of the Notice of Motion (CPR150818.) and against the Notice of Motion (CPR150818.15)

Councillor Stevenson recorded his opposition to the adoption of the minutes of the as he did not agree with the branding of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council.

## 9. HOUSE OF LORDS SELECT COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MOBILITY: CALL FOR EVIDENCE

The House of Lords Select Committee on Social Mobility has now published its call for evidence. The Committee, appointed to investigate the transition from school to work for young people, is investigating the complex choices young people are faced with when considering career options.

Council noted the correspondence.

## 10. NILGA – DAIRY FARM AND MILK PRODUCTION INDUSTRY

Council considered correspondence received from NILGA, previously circulated.

Following consideration by NILGA, including Elected Members participating in the Association's Rural Development Working Group, it was requested that NI Councils consider the NILGA proposal, circulated, and as follows:

**“this Council supports all creative, political and practical efforts to sustain the 3,000 + jobs, community well-being and over £1 billion economic gain provided by the Dairy Farm and Milk Production industry. We support the development of dynamic research to consider the viability of intervention:**

- (i) **Legislation regulation of retailers for milk supplier and consumer protection such as that which prevails in other EU nations, and**
- (ii) **Price banding to provide commodity security for dairy farms together with the fair and transparent transfer of any resulting benefits to farmers.”**

It was proposed by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman King and **AGREED**: that Council support the proposal as outlined above and respond to NILGA accordingly.

## 11. TRANSLINK, NEW BUS AND RAIL SERVICE TIMETABLES

Earlier this year Translink held extensive consultation to better understand what was most important to passengers before making any decisions. The outcome of this process had been put on hold for 3 months to allow additional time for discussion between Translink, Unite Trade Union and the Minister for Regional Development. Translink now has agreement and are working to implement the service changes as follows:

- Rail Service Changes with effect from 30 August
- Bus Service Changes with effect from 1st September

Council noted the correspondence.

## 12. SEAL DOCUMENTS

It was **AGREED**: that the Seal of the Council be affixed to

- Vendor Licence Agreements;

COUNCIL LOCATION	THE LICENSEE	SUM OF £	PERIOD OF LEASE
The Beach, Downhill	Colin Kennedy	£2800 + VAT PA	1 year
West Bay Car Park, Portrush	Tracy Clifford	£3200 + VAT PA	1 year
Benone Beach, Benone	Raymond J Carton	£18000 + VAT PA	1 year
Riada Stadium, Ballymoney	Stephen Laverty	£200 + VAT PA	1 year
Ballintoy Harbour, Ballintoy	Shaun O'Boyle	£1000 + VAT PA	1 year
The Beach, Downhill	Colin Kennedy	£2800 + VAT PA	1 year
Ballycastle Sea Front, Ballycastle	Tony Cullen	£2500 + VAT PA	1 year
Pier Yard Car Park, Ballycastle	Harry Douthart	£2500 + VAT PA	1 year
Quay Road Car Park, Ballycastle	Harry Douthart	£200 + VAT PA	1 year
Promendae Car Park, Castlerock	Ruth Pollock	£5400 + VAT PA	1 year
Portnaeevy Car Park, Ballintoy	Colette Klein	£1200 + VAT PA	1 year
Legge Green Car Park, Cushendall	Raymond Devlin	£450 + VAT PA	1 year
Whiterocks Car Park, Portrush	William K Douthart	£3500 + VAT PA	1 year
Garron Road Car Park, Glenariffe	Raymond Kane	£100 + VAT PA	1 year
Magheracross Car Park, Portrush	John Dunbar	£1000 + VAT PA	1 year



East Strand Car Park, Portrush	John Dunbar	£6000 + VAT PA	1 year
Waterford Slip, Cushandall	Hugh Jackson	£400 + VAT PA	1 year
Portnaeevy Car Park, Ballintoy	Hugh Jackson	£500 + VAT PA	1 year

*Members noted a misprint in the schedule of Vendor Licences Agreement at Benone Beach, Benone, Mr Raymond J Carton; should read £18,000 as opposed to £1,800.*

- Grave Registry Certificates Ballymoney Cemetery Nos 1462 – 1467 inclusive
- Grant of Right of Burial Deeds Register No 4267 – 4276 (Coleraine 5; Ballywillan 2; Portstewart 2; Agherton 1)
- Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial, Enagh Cemetery, Limavady – 423 – 428 inclusive
- Purchase of Lands at Articlave
- Tidy up scheme at 5 Bridge Street, Coleraine with Bridge Park Developments Ltd
- Agreement relating to advance for purchase of car, employee number 702/2001
- Agreement relating to advance for purchase of car, employee number 502/2002

*\*Councillor Fielding left the Meeting at 9pm during discussion of this item.*

*\*Councillor Blair left the Meeting at 9.10pm during discussion of this item.*

### **13. CONSULTATIONS**

The Chief Executive invited comments on the following Consultations to be sent directly to him before the end of the month;

- 11.1 Department of Justice - Consultation on the Community Cohesion Strategy 2015 – 2020
- 11.2 NI Assembly - The Committee for Regional Development – Water and Sewerage Services Bill
- 11.3 Department of the Environment - Consultation on the Draft Waste Management (Amendment No 3) Regulations (NI) 2015
- 11.4 Fermanagh & Omagh District Council - Public Consultation - Equality

*\*Alderman Mullan left the meeting during discussion of this item at 10.15pm*

### **14. MATTERS FOR REPORTING TO PARTNERSHIP PANEL**

#### **14.1 Street Lighting**

Councillor Stevenson suggested that Council pursue the issue with the Partnership Panel.

**15. PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL**

It was proposed by Councillor McGuigan, seconded by Councillor Duddy and AGREED; **that the Chief Executive look at various options for considering order of presentations within the Standing Orders.**

**16. ENTERPRISE ZONE UPDATE REQUEST**

Councillor Clarke requested an update on the Enterprise Zone, of which he had given due notice. The Director of Leisure and Development advised that lands had not yet been designated by the Treasury.

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Robinson and AGREED; **that Council Write to OFMDFM to progress the matter.**

**17. ROTATION OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Councillor Stevenson queried whether a decision had been agreed in relation to the possible rotation of Committee Meetings at other Council locations. The Chief Executive agreed to explore this matter further and report.

**18. PIPE BAND COMPETITION ADMISSION FEE**

Following a query by Councillor Watton in relation to an admission fee to the Pipe Band competition held in Portrush, it was advised that an admission fee was charged by the Pipe Band Association. It was further advised that part of this fee was donated to charity.

**19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2015 at 7.00pm, Council Chamber, Civic Headquarters, Coleraine.

**This being all the business the meeting closed at 9.25pm.**