

# Leisure & Development Committee Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2016

## **Table of Key Recommendations**

No	Item	Recommendation
5.	Guidelines for Capital Grants Fund	Approve Guidelines, budget allocation of £750,000
6.	Peace IV Partnership	Nominate 11 by d'hondt and 3 Councillors by d'Hondt to selection process
7.	Ballymoney Community Facilities	Maintain operating arrangements for 6 months
8.	Cultural, Arts and Heritage Strategy	Approve Strategy and Action Plan, review 1-year
9.	Glenariff Community Facility	Approve £180k funding subject to stated conditions
10.	Magilligan Community Centre	Approve, proceed to Stage 2
13.	Cushendall Caravan Park – Touring site upgrade works	Approve to stage 3, appoint Quinn Automatic ltd at a sum of £158,605.000
15.	NW200	Approach NW200 with requests

## **Leisure & Development Committee**

Minutes of the Meeting of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council Leisure & Development Committee, held in Council Chamber, Civic Headquarters, Coleraine on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.00 pm.

In the Chair: Councillor M A McKillop

**Members present:** Alderman Hillis and Hickey; Councillors Beattie, Clarke,

Douglas, Holmes, Knight-McQuillan, McCandless, McCorkell,

McLean, Nicholl, Stevenson, Wilson

In attendance: R Baker, Director of Leisure and Development

W McCullough, Head of Leisure, Well-Being and Sport

P Thompson, Head of Tourism and Recreation

J Welsh, Head of Community and Culture

J Gray, Strategic Programme and Projects Manager

L Scullion, Community Services Manager M Edgar, Cultural Services Manager

S Duggan, Committee and Member Services Officer

Also in attendance: C McTaggart, Group Director of Development, Clanmil Housing Group

C Moore, Group Director of Housing, Clanmil Housing Group

Press (2 No.) Public (5 No.)

In accordance with Standing Order 22, Councillor Beattie advised she was filling the current SDLP vacancy for the duration of the meeting.

#### 1. Apologies

Apologies were recorded from Councillors McGlinchey and Mulholland.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

Declarations of Interest were recorded from Councillor Douglas in Item 5, Guidelines for Capital Grants Fund; Councillors McLean and Stevenson in Item 7, Ballymoney Community Facilities.

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## 3. Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 12th April 2016

It was AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2016 were confirmed as a correct record.

## 4. Presentation - Clanmil Housing Group

The Chair invited C McTaggart and C Moore to present on Clanmil Housing. The representatives highlighted information on their high quality, affordable homes for rent throughout N Ireland, making a difference to their tenants' lives, investing in neighbourhoods to create places where people would be proud to live.

Clanmil Housing Group sought support from Council surround the following initiatives: rationalisation of the new Council and its public availability of land; presumption in favour of sustainable development policy; positive community planning partnership working and its Supporting People initiative.

\* C McTaggart and C Moore, Clanmil, left the meeting at 7.40pm.

## 5. Guidelines for Capital Grants Fund

The Head of Leisure, Well-being and Sport reported, the purpose of the capital grants programme guidelines was to detail the proposed approach in relation to providing capital grants to local external sports and community organisations who request support towards the development of new, or the enhancement of existing facilities to meet unmet need. This also underpins Councils commitment to distributing grants fairly, efficiently and effectively. The proposed guidelines were circulated.

#### Recommendation

The Leisure and Development Committee is to consider the Capital Grants Fund Programme Guidelines for approval and the proposed budget allocation of £750,000 for 2016-17.

The Strategic Programme and Projects Manager responded to a lengthy examination of the Guidelines.

It was proposed by Councillor Nicholl, seconded by Alderman Hickey to recommend that Council approve the Capital Grants Fund Programme Guidelines, circulated and budget allocation of £750,000 for 2016-17.

The Chair put the motion to the committee to vote, 8 members voted for, 6 members voted against, the Chair declared the motion carried.

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## 6. Peace IV Partnership

The Head of Community and Culture reported.

#### Recommendation

- a) Following Council's agreement in April to adopt D'Hondt, it is recommended that parties provide nominations to represent the Council on the local Peace IV Partnership, as follows: 3 DUP; 3 UUP; 2 SF; 2 SDLP; and 1TUV.
- b) To agree a panel comprising of at least two, and up to four Councillors from within the Peace IV Partnership, including a Chairperson, who will meet to complete a selection process for candidates, as per schedule provided.

It was proposed by Alderman Hickey, seconded by Councillor Beattie to recommend that Council nominate on the local Peace IV Partnership, as follows: 3 DUP; 3 UUP; 2 SF; 2 SDLP; and 1TUV and a panel comprising of four Councillors from within the Peace IV Partnership, 1 DUP, 1 UU, 1SF and 1 SDLP including a Chairperson, who will meet to complete a selection process for candidates, as per schedule provided.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Stevenson: to recommend that Council nominate on the local Peace IV Partnership, as follows: 3 DUP; 3 UUP; 2 SF; 2 SDLP; and 1TUV and a panel comprising of three Councillors by d'Hondt from within the Peace IV Partnership, including a Chairperson, who will meet to complete a selection process for candidates, as per schedule provided.

The Chair put the amendment to the committee to vote, 10 members voted for, 4 members voted against, the Chair declared the amendment carried.

## 7. Ballymoney Community Facilities

The Community Services Manager provided an update in relation to:

- Availability and capacity within existing facilities in Ballymoney in general;
- Updated position in relation to ownership of Social Centre, Edward Street, Ballymoney and current condition of the building;
- Discussions with key players in relation to Ballymoney Music Centre.

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#### Recommendation

- a) Council maintains the existing operating arrangements for the Social Centre in Ballymoney for an interim period of 6 months i.e. responsibility for all operating costs including insurances, rates and utilities.
- b) Council officers to liaise with the Evergreen Club and NICVA to identify and explore options in relation to Social Centre, which may or may not require Council consideration.

It was proposed by Alderman Hickey, seconded by Councillor Stevenson: to recommend that Council maintains the existing operating arrangements for the Social Centre in Ballymoney for an interim period of 6 months i.e. responsibility for all operating costs including insurances, rates and utilities and Council officers to liaise with the Evergreen Club and NICVA to identify and explore options in relation to Social Centre, which may or may not require Council consideration.

Committee voted unanimously in favour of the motion.

## 8. Cultural, Arts and Heritage Strategy

The Head of Community and Culture and Cultural Services Manager reported and illustrated via PowerPoint. The strategy is generated from a comprehensive and inclusive consultation process which took place between August and December 2015. It included a situational review and analysis of both local and wider policy contexts. There was wide-ranging consultation with regional stakeholder agencies, local organisations and bodies with culture, arts or heritage remits and consultation with the public via open public forum in four locations across the borough. Almost 200 people participated in these workshops with a further 174 responses to questionnaires sent to four different representative parts of the community. There were also workshops for Councillors and staff across all Council services and individual interviews with key stakeholders. A further public workshop took place to test the arising themes and recommendations.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that Council approve the Culture, Arts and Heritage Strategy 2016-21 and associated Action Plan 2016-19 to facilitate service delivery across the Council area.

It was proposed by Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Councillor Clarke: to recommend that Council approve the Culture, Arts and Heritage Strategy 2016-21 and associated Action Plan 2016-19 to facilitate service delivery across the Council area and to review in 1-year.

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Committee voted unanimously in favour of the motion.

#### 9. Glenariff Community Facility

The Director sought approval from members to provide £180k of funding towards Glenariff Community Centre subject to a suitable Public Access Agreement and evidence of the balance of the project funding (approximately £450k) being in place.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Leisure and Development Committee approve the provision of £180k of funding towards Glenariff Community Centre subject to a suitable legally binding Public Access Agreement and evidence of the balance of the funding (approximately £450k) being in place.

The Strategic Programme and Projects Manager responded at length to member queries surround the Business Case and rationale for supporting the project.

#### The Chair declared a recess from 9.55pm-10.10pm.

It was proposed by Alderman Hickey, seconded by Councillor Nicholl: to recommend that Council approve the provision of £180k of funding towards Glenariff Community Centre subject to a suitable legally binding Public Access Agreement and evidence of the balance of the funding (approximately £450k) being in place.

The Chair put the motion to the committee to vote, 8 members voted for, 6 members voted against the Chair declared the motion carried.

#### 10. Magilligan Community Centre

#### Recommendation

The Leisure and Development Committee is asked to consider the business case for the Magilligan Community Centre. Committee's approval will allow the project to proceed to Stage 2 of the Council Capital Project Management system; that is detailed design and procurement resulting in a Tender Report being brought back for Members consideration.

It was proposed by Councillor Beattie, seconded by Councillor Nicholl, to recommend that Council approve the business case for the Magilligan Community Centre to allow the project to proceed to Stage 2 of the Council Capital Project Management system; that is detailed design and

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procurement resulting in a Tender Report being brought back for Members' consideration.

The Chair put the motion to the committee to vote, 9 members voted for, 0 members voted against, 5 members abstained, the Chair declared the motion carried.

#### 11. PCSP Chair

Information on the updated position in respect of selection of the Chair of Causeway Coast and Glens Policing and Community Safety Partnership for Year 2 (2016–2017) was reported.

## 12. Portrush Environmental Improvement Scheme

An update on the proposed Portrush Environmental Improvement Scheme was provided.

The Department for Social Development (shortly the Department for Communities) has advised that an initial Letter of Offer to the value of £250,000 will be forwarded to Council in May 2016.

It was proposed by Alderman Hickey, seconded by Councillor McLean and **AGREED: to move in-committee.** 

#### \* Press and public left the meeting at 10.30pm

#### 13. Cushendall Caravan Park – Touring site upgrade works

#### Recommendation

It is recommended the Leisure and Development Committee approve;

1. Progression of this project to Stage 3 of the Capital Programme Management System and appoint Quinn Automatic Ltd to carry out the works for the Tendered Sum of £158,605.00.

It was proposed by Councillor Nicholl, seconded by Councillor Clarke: to recommend that council approve progression of this project to Stage 3 of the Capital Programme Management System and appoint Quinn Automatic Ltd to carry out the works for the Tendered Sum of £158,605.00.

Committee voted unanimously in favour of the motion.

It was proposed by Alderman Hickey seconded by Councillor Wilson and AGREED: that committee resolve itself out of committee.

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#### 14. The Open Championship 2019

The Director advised Royal Troon are the host of the 2016 Open, South Ayrshire District Council has extended an invitation to Council to meet their Council Leader and Provost and to view their Golf Course on 14 July 2016, subject to further confirmation. A report would be brought back to the June committee meeting for members' consideration.

#### 15. NW200

Councillor Wilson advised of matters of Any Other Relevant Business that had been notified to the Chair.

It was proposed by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Alderman Hickey: that Council approach the organisers of the North West 200 and request that the NW200 Launch be moved from Belfast to a location within the Borough; that the "meet and greet the riders" event be circulated around the larger towns within the Borough; that Council discuss the option of enhancing the impact that the NW200 has on the entire Borough by liaising with NW200 organisers / Chambers of commerce / local businesses / Tourism NI with the aim of increasing the tourism and financial impact that the event has on all Towns within the Borough.

Committee voted unanimously in support of the motion.

## 16. Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre

Councillor Wilson queried why the cafe at the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre had been vacant for 28months, causing a negative impact on the facility and noted that Council could have been acquiring rent for the facility to reduce the burden to the ratepayer. The Director concurred with Councillor Wilson's request that an update would be brought to the next committee meeting.

This being all the business the meeting closed at 10.50pm.

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