

COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY 2 MARCH 2021

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6.	Minutes of Planning Meeting held Wednesday 27 January 2021	Noted
7.	Minutes of Environmental Services Meeting held Tuesday 9 February 2021	Adopted and recommendations therein approved excluding Review of Street Trading Designations at Lansdowne Road, Portrush and Greenmount Avenue, Coleraine (Item 15)

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		of the meeting
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	seconded by Councillor McCaw, referred from	recognise Hercules
	the 2 February 2021 Council Meeting (Item 5)	Mulligan in any shape or form
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		recommendations
		therein approved
		including the
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		to Council having
		to Council, having reached completion, a

		for staff time and associated costs
	11.2 Prompt Payment Statistics (Item 5)	Information
	11.3 Adoption of the Minutes	Adopted and recommendations therein approved including the motion at Item 11.1 above.
12.	Matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel	Nil
13.	Conferences	Nil
14.	Correspondence	Noted
15.	Consultation Schedule	Noted
16.	 Seal Documents (i) Grave Registry Certificates, Numbers 5095-5108 (inclusive) (ii) Licence Agreement Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to Causeway Giant's American Football Club – Use of Land at Lime Park Playing Fields, Drones Road, Armoy - Ref 74/20 (L&P SC 210106, CP&R 210126 and CM 210202) (iii) Licence Agreement Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to The Trustees of Armoy Community Association - Use of Land at Lime Park Playing Fields, Drones Road, Armoy - Ref 73/20 (L&P SC 210106, CP&R 210126 and CM 210202) (iv) Agreement for Long Term Loan of Memorial Window Between Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and the Trustees of Ballymoney Branch of the Royal British Legion – Ref 08/20/P (CM 201201) (v) Employee Car Loan Agreement 210/5112 	Seal Affixed, Items (i) – (v) inclusive
17.	Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor McGurk, seconded by Councillor Bateson (abbrev. bi-lingual street signage)	Referred Environmental Services Committee
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21. Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Schenning, seconded by Councillor Dallat O-Driscoll (abbrev. Volunteers)	Referred Leisure and Development Committee
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'IN COMMITTEE' (Items 23-26 inclusive)	
23. Minutes of Environmental Services Meeting held Tuesday 9 February 2021 In Committee	
Matters Arising 'In Committee'	
23.1 Review of Street Trading Designations at Lansdowne Road, Portrush and Greenmount Avenue, Coleraine (Item 15)	(Lansdowne) that Council proceed, as soon as possible, with the works put in place on site, those who are there (3no.) are moved across under their existing terms and current licence fee rates until March 2024, to give a 3-year certainty and de-designate the sites.
24. Minutes of Leisure and Development Meeting held Tuesday 16 February 2021	
Tuesday 16 February 2021 Matters Arising 'In Committee'	
Tuesday 16 February 2021	Amendment lost Update received
Tuesday 16 February 2021Matters Arising 'In Committee'24.1 Holiday and Leisure Parks VAT (Item 16)	

	25.1 Minutes of Land and Property Sub-Committee Meeting held Wednesday 3 February 2021 (Item 13) Portstewart Town Hall (Item 8.1)	Amendment lost
26.	Legal Opinion in the matter of a Call In request, in respect of a decision of the Council dated 5 January 2021, relating to The Proposed Airshow	Decision upheld

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY 2 MARCH 2021 AT 7:00PM

In the Chair	:	The Mayor, Alderman Fielding (C)
Members Present	:	Alderman Baird (R), Duddy (C), Finlay (C), Hillis (C), McCorkell (R), McKeown (R), S McKillop (R) Robinson (R) Boyle (C)
		Councillors Anderson (C), Bateson (R), Beattie (R), Callan (R), Chivers (R), Dallat O'Driscoll (R), Holmes (C) Hunter (R), Knight-McQuillan (R), McAuley (C), McCandless (C), McCaw (R), McGlinchey (R), McGurk (R) MA McKillop (R), McLaughlin (R), McLean (C), McMullan (R), McQuillan (C), C McShane (R), P McShane (R), Mulholland (R), Nicholl (R), Peacock (R), Quigley (R), Schenning (R), Scott (R), Wallace (R), Watton (R) and Wilson (C)
Officers Present	:	D Jackson, Chief Executive (C) M Quinn, Director of Corporate Services (R) R Baker, Director of Leisure and Development Services (C) A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services (R) D Wright, Chief Finance Officer (R) P Donaghy, Democratic & Central Services Manager (R) I Owens, Committee & Member Services Officer (C) S Duggan, Civic Support & Committee & Member Services Officer (C) D Hunter, Council Solicitor (R) J Mills, Council Solicitor (R)
Officers In Attendance		P Thompson, Head of Tourism and Recreation (R) J Richardson, Head of Capital Works, Energy and Infrastructure(R) A McAuley, Public Relations Manager (R) J Keen, Corporate Support Assistant (R) C Thompson, ICT Officer (C) A Lennox, ICT Mobile Operations (C)
Deputation:		S Pollard, (R) } Y Hamilton (R) } Sustainable Coastal Communities (Item 4)

Press (4 No) (R)		
Public (4 No.) (R)		

Key –C = Attended In The ChamberR = Attended Remotely

1. THE MAYOR'S BUSINESS

The Mayor opened the meeting and addresses Council:

"Good evening members.

Before we get on with the business of the meeting, I want to mention International Women's Day which takes place next Monday. As you know we've recently established a Women's Working Group and I joined Councillor Peacock and Councillor Knight-McQuillan last week to help officially launch the group and share its aims and objectives. I wish the group well in its future endeavours and I look forward to working with its members throughout the remainder of my term.

I would like to congratulate one young women, 19 year old Jasmine Morris a talented violinist who has recently been awarded the Leader of the Ulster Youth Orchestra the only person from the Borough to achieve this position and not many females have achieved this prestigious leadership role. The Ulster Youth Orchestra plays to a wide audience providing gifted young musicians with access to world leading players tutors and conductors. Jasmine is a former pupil of Portstewart Primary School and Coleraine Grammar School and has performed not only throughout Northern Ireland but at significant musical venues in Dublin, across the UK and Europe.

You'll all be aware of the Executive's Pathway to Recovery plan released earlier today.

While this is welcome news and gives us renewed hope that brighter days are ahead, its successful implementation remains dependent on key health criteria.

I want to reiterate the importance of continuing to follow the current public health advice to keep ourselves and our communities as safe as possible in the weeks and months ahead".

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Councillor Schenning.¹

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Declarations of Interest were recorded for:

Alderman Baird, Duddy, Finlay, S McKillop; Councillors Dallat O'Driscoll, Hunter, MA McKillop, McGurk, McLaughlin, McMullan, Nicholl and Scott in Deputation, Sustainable Coastal Communities as a Member of the Planning Committee; Elected Members left the meeting during consideration of the Item.

Declarations of Interest additionally, were recorded for:

Alderman Duddy in, Minutes of Land and Property Sub-Committee Meeting held Wednesday 3 February 2021, Commercial Realisation Of Lansdowne Shelter, Portrush, Item 7;

Alderman S McKillop in, Leisure and Development Committee minutes, Item 11, Prosperity & Place Progress report, Revitalisation Grants ;

Councillor McGurk in, Corporate Policy & Resources Committee minutes, Item 13.2 Killyrammer Disposal Update to CP&R Committee.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

There being technical difficulties the Deputation was received later in the meeting.

4. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2021

Minutes, previously circulated.

Proposed by Councillor McQuillan Seconded by Councillor Wilson and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday 2 February 2021 are confirmed as a correct record.

5. MINUTES OF RATES MEETING HELD THURSDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2021

Minutes, previously circulated.

¹ Councillor Schenning later joined the meeting.

Proposed by Councillor McLean Seconded by Alderman Duddy and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held Thursday 25 February 2021 are confirmed as a correct record

* Councillor Holmes arrived at the meeting at 7.18pm.

6. MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 27 JANUARY 2021

Minutes, previously circulated.

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held Wednesday 27 January 2021 are received and noted.

7. MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MEETING HELD TUESDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2021

Minutes, previously circulated.

Matters Arising

At the request of Councillor Holmes, Review of Street Trading Designations at Lansdowne Road, Portrush and Greenmount Avenue, Coleraine (Item 15) was considered '*In Committee*' at the end of the meeting.

7.1 Adoption of the Minutes

Proposed by Councillor McQuillan Seconded by Alderman Finlay and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee Meeting held Tuesday 9 February 2021 are adopted and recommendations therein approved, excluding Review of Street Trading Designations at Lansdowne Road, Portrush and Greenmount Avenue, Coleraine (Item 15), considered 'In Committee' at the end of the meeting (specifically Lansdowne).

8. MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD THURSDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2021

Minutes, previously circulated.

Matters Arising

8.1 Request for Information

Councillor P McShane requested total costs to date in respect of services provided by PwC to Council.

The Mayor advised the information would be provided.

8.2 Adoption of the Minutes

Councillor Wilson thanked the Chair, Members and staff for their work over the last year to achieve as low a rate as possible.

Proposed by Councillor McLean Seconded by Alderman Finlay and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held Thursday 11 February 2021 are adopted and recommendations therein approved.

9. DEPUTATION – SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

* Alderman Baird, Duddy, Finlay, S McKillop; Councillors Dallat O'Driscoll, Hunter, MA McKillop, McGurk, McLaughlin, McMullan, Nicholl and Scott, having declared an interest, left the meeting.

Presentation, previously circulated.

The Mayor welcomed S Pollard and invited him to present to Council. Y Hamilton was in attendance.

S Pollard presented, referring to Council's Vision to improve the quality of life and well-being of all Citizens and visitors and on what was needed to meet this vision. S Pollard advised of the ratio of second to permanent homes in Portstewart, Castlerock and Portballintrae and referred to statistics within the 2011Census outlining the impact on the community and schools and proposed interventions.

Councillor Watton stated NIHE waiting list figures were the same as 6 ¹/₂ years ago.

In response to Councillor Mulholland, S Pollard advised of the action plan presented for Council consideration, in relation to tackling second homes in the area.

Councillor Quigley advised of a successful scheme at Laurel Hill, Coleraine. She was aware the recent Radius scheme in Portstewart had attracted local families as first time buyers and more was required.

Alderman Baird, Duddy, Finlay, S McKillop; Councillors Dallat O'Driscoll, Hunter, MA McKillop, McGurk, McLaughlin, McMullan, Nicholl re-joined the meeting at 7.40PM.

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10. MINUTES OF LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT MEETING HELD TUESDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2021

Minutes, previously circulated.

Matters Arising

At the request of Councillor Quigley, the Mayor advised Holiday and Leisure Parks VAT (Item 16) would be considered '*In Committee*' at the end of the meeting.

At the request of Councillor P McShane, the Mayor advised Public Rights of Way Update (Item 17) would be considered '*In Committee*' at the end of the meeting. Councillor P McShane disagreed with the ruling.

10.1 Sperrins Future Search Partnership (Item 6)

<u>Amendment</u> Proposed by Councillor McGurk Seconded by Councillor Peacock

- that that the Sperrins Future Search nominees be made by d'Hondt, as it applies to the Committee.

The Mayor put the Amendment to the Council to vote. 17 Members voted For; 20 Members voted Against; 0 Members Abstained. The Mayor declared the Amendment lost.

10.2 Notice of Motion proposed by Alderman Boyle, seconded by Councillor McCaw, referred from the 2 February 2021 Council Meeting (Item 5)

Alderman Boyle read a statement in connection with withdrawing her initial Notice of Motion, which she advised, was an error of judgement.

<u>Amendment</u> Proposed by Councillor Holmes Seconded by Councillor Wilson

- that Council does not recognise Hercules Mulligan in any shape or form.

The Mayor put the Amendment to the Council to vote. 37 Members voted For; 0 Members voted Against; 0 Members Abstained. The Mayor declared the Amendment carried unanimously.

Alderman Boyle requested a recess.

The Mayor declared a recess at 8.24PM.

The meeting reconvened at 8.35PM.

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10.3 Adoption of the Minutes

Proposed by Councillor Nicholl Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Leisure and Development Committee Meeting held Tuesday 16 February 2021 are adopted and recommendations therein approved; including the Amendment at Item10.2 above.

11. MINUTES OF CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2021

Minutes, previously circulated.

Matters Arising

At the request of Councillor Mulholland, the Mayor advised Minutes of Land and Property Sub-Committee Meeting held Wednesday 3 February 2021 (Item 13) Portstewart Town Hall (Item 8.1), would be considered, '*In Committee*, at the end of the meeting.

11.1 Any Other Relevant Business (Notified In Accordance With Standing Order 12 (o)) (Item 14)

Proposed by Alderman Duddy Seconded by Councillor Wilson

- that when Notice of Motions are submitted to Council, having reached completion, a costing is calculated for staff time and associated costs.

The Mayor put the motion to the Council to vote. 22 Members voted For; 17 Member voted Against; 0 Members Abstained. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

11.2 Prompt Payment Statistics (Item 5)

The Chief Finance Officer clarified the following matters:

- business Covid grants were included;

- the payment process for grants when received by Finance Department and completed within ten days;

- examples of situations of disputed invoices.

11.3 Adoption of the Minutes

Proposed by Alderman Hillis Seconded by Alderman Duddy and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee Meeting held Tuesday 23 February 2021 are adopted and recommendations therein approved, including the motion at Item 11.1 above.

12. MATTERS FOR REPORTING TO THE PARTNERSHIP PANEL

There were no matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel.

13. CONFERENCES

There were no conferences listed.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Chief Executive as read.

The following were listed:

1 Northern Ireland Housing Council correspondence dated 18th January 2021

The Minutes of The 476th Northern Ireland Housing Council meeting held on 14th January 2021 and February Bulletin are attached for information.

2 Fermanagh and Omagh District Council correspondence dated 17 February 2021

At a Meeting of Fermanagh and Omagh District Council Policy and Resources Committee meeting of 10 February 2021, whilst discussing the Council's Climate Change and Sustainable Development Strategy, Members referred to a Motion approved on 4 June 2019 calling on NILGOSC to divest from fossil fuels, tobacco and arms.

The Motion was as follows:-

"Fermanagh and Omagh District Council calls on the Local Government Officer's Superannuation Committee to divest the local Government pension scheme from fossil fuel companies.

Further, this Council also calls on the local Government Officers Superannuation Committee to bring forward an ethical investment policy and desist from investment in tobacco and arms companies" Fermanagh and Omagh District Council urge Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to support Motion and have also written to NILGOSC.

3 Newry, Mourne and Down District Council correspondence dated 8 February 2021

At a Meeting of Newry, Mourne & Down District Council held on Monday 1

February 2021, the following Notice of Motion was agreed:

"As part of his Covid-10 response the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rishi Sunak increased Universal Credit payments by £20 per week until March 2021. This was a welcome initiative given increased heating, energy and food costs from the pandemic. It must be noted that not all benefits were increased and so some in need did not get support. We must remember benefit cuts, in real terms took place over the past 10 years. However, this increase for what it is worth, is welcome. The Chancellor of the Exchequer now needs to ensure that the £20 increase extends beyond March of this year. As the economic facts show, this extra amount has helped families and claimants to meet the extra costs due to the pandemic and has supported many local businesses. In this motion we are asking that Newry Mourne and Down District Council support the campaign to retain this extra payment and extend it to other benefits, the 120,000 children living in poverty in Northern Ireland deserve any assistance available to them".

Newry, Mourne and Down District Council urge Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to support Motion and write to the Prime Minister and the Chancellor of the Exchequer outlining your Council's support in extending the existing top up to Universal Credit to remain.

4 Northern Ireland Local Government Association Meeting

Notes from meeting held on 2 February 2021.

5 Department of Communities correspondence dated 5 February 2021

Response received re 'Welfare Reform and Recovery Universal Basic Income' in relation to correspondence sent from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council on 21 January 2021.

6 Newry, Mourne and Down District Council correspondence dated 15 February 2021

At a Meeting of Newry Mourne & Down District Council held on Monday 11

January 2021, the following Notice of Motion was agreed:

"This Council calls upon Finance Minister Conor Murphy to immediately implement the NZEB Code (Nearly Zero Energy Building Code) that the EU Directive requires the NI Department of Finance to implement by the end of the year. This Directive is adopted into UK law 13 Council alerts the Minister to the following facts:-

- 1. NI building code is 20 years behind GB. Every private sector house built between now and 2030 will have to be retrofitted to meet the UK's energy efficiency targets at 2030.
- Every new house built in Rol is now more than £1000pa cheaper to run than an equivalent house in NI because of out of date building standards. All new homes in Rol thus have a typical Building Energy Rating (BER) of A2 or better.
- Rol in November 2019 signed into law the nearly zero energy buildings (NZEB) regulation under part L of the Building Code for all domestic homes – not just public buildings as in GB. New Public Buildings in Rol have already been NZEB since 31 December 2018.

Newry, Mourne and Down District Council urge Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to support Motion

7 Office of the Local Government Boundaries Commissioner correspondence dated 3 February 2021

Proposals invited in relation to the boundary and name of the 11 districts: and the number, boundaries and names of the wards within the 11 districts.

More information about the Review will be accessed through the website available at:-<u>www.lgbc-ni.org.uk</u>

Presented on Correspondence Schedule for Corporate, Policy and Resources Committee on 23 February 2021

8 Department of Economy correspondence dated 27 January 2021

Response received re 'Payments made under the Covid Restrictions Business Support Scheme' in relation to correspondence sent from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council on 21 January 2021.

9 Correspondence from Private Office of Roderic O'Gorman TD, Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth dated 5 February 2021

Response received re 'Mother and Baby Homes' in relation to correspondence sent from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council.

10 Correspondence from Cara Hunter, MLA dated 5 February 2021

Request to erect a memorial to mark the life of LGBTQ+ activist, Mark Ashton in his home town of Portrush.

11 Department of Finance correspondence dated 9 February 2021

Response received re 'Housing Wait Lists, Welfare System and Covid 19 Business Grant Funding' in relation to correspondence sent from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council on 21 January 2021

It is recommended that Council consider the correspondence.

RESOLVED – that Council note the correspondence schedule.

15. CONSULTATION SCHEDULE

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Chief Executive.

- Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council, Banbridge Public Realm – Community Consultation 12 March 2021
- Department of Finance, 2021/22 Draft Budget Allocations 25 February 2021
- Department for the Economy, Consultation on Non-Domestic RHI Scheme – Future of the Scheme 9 April 2021
- Electoral Commission, Disability Action Plan Consultation, 9 April 2021
- The Executive Office Draft Programme for Government Consultation 22 March 2021
- Department for Infrastructure, Review of the implementation of the Planning Act (NI) 2011, 15 March 2021

Documents presented available for download:

- Department of Finance, 2021/22 Draft Budget Allocations
- Translink, Equality Screenings Reports for Q3 of 2020/2021

RESOLVED – that Council note the Consultation Schedule.

16. SEAL DOCUMENTS

Members were advised of the undernoted items for signing and sealing by Council, approval having been previously granted and all necessary legislative requirements being met.

- i. Grave Registry Certificates, Numbers 5095-5108 (inclusive);
- Licence Agreement Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to Causeway Giant's American Football Club – Use of Land at Lime Park Playing Fields, Drones Road, Armoy - Ref 74/20 (L&P SC 210106, CP&R 210126 and CM 210202);
- iii. Licence Agreement Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to The Trustees of Armoy Community Association - Use of Land at

Lime Park Playing Fields, Drones Road, Armoy - Ref 73/20 (L&P SC 210106, CP&R 210126 and CM 210202);

- Agreement for Long Term Loan of Memorial Window Between Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and the Trustees of Ballymoney Branch of the Royal British Legion – Ref 08/20/P (CM 201201);
- v. Employee Car Loan Agreement 210/5112.

Proposed by Councillor Hunter Seconded by Alderman Boyle

RESOLVED - that the sealing of documents as listed (Items i-v inclusive) be approved.

Alderman Baird took the opportunity to thank staff for the clean-up at Limepark.

17. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR MCGURK, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BATESON

'That this Council adopts a new policy on bi–lingual street signage with the trigger for consultation with residents set at an expression of interest by a resident/residents/elected member and further that the number percentage of residents responding positively being sufficient to erect a second nameplate being set at 15% with non-respondents counted a void. The European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages, to which the UK is a signatory, establishes an obligation on state signatories not to create barriers in respect of the use of a minority language. The European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages and the UN Special Rapporteur's guide to the implementation of language rights of linguistic minorities. The relevant paragraph of the guidance is as follows: Street and locality names and topographical indicators intended for the public are important as markers of social identity, culture and history. A good, practical approach adopted in most countries is for the authorities to provide transparent legalisation or procedures to allow bilingual or even trilingual signs, usually following the proportionality principle where there is a sufficient concentration or demand for such signs in minority languages. While national legalisation varies, the low threshold where it is considered practicable and reasonable to provide such signs tends to vary between 5 per cent and 20 per cent of the local population, with the lowest threshold usually associated with the use of a minority language that also has some kind of official status or for traditional, historical reasons. The criteria for the display of signs in minority languages must be given a clear and unambiguous legislative basis for it to be effectively implemented. Bilingual or multilingual signs used by public authorities demonstrate inclusiveness, and that various population groups share a locality in harmony and mutual respect.'

The Chief Executive advised the Notice of Motion would be referred to the Environmental Services Committee Meeting.

18. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR BEATTIE, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SCHENNING

'The Covid – 19 pandemic has affected all citizens and that the impact on our young people has been severe. This Council recognises the difficulties faced by those young people in full – time third level education, both at universities and further education colleges, who, because of restrictions, are unable to attend classes in person or live in student accommodation which they have paid for. This Council recognises that many university students have found themselves suffering financial hardship which has caused significant distress and led to poor mental health. This Council calls on university accommodation providers and private landlords who have not provided rent waivers to do immediately and calls on the Department for the Economy and Department of Finance to develop and fund a Student Support Grant for all full time third level students, many of whom cannot gain any employment at this time and are unable to claim benefits.'

The Chief Executive advised the Notice of Motion would be referred to the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee Meeting.

19. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR DALLAT O-DRISCOLL, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MA MCKILLOP

'This Council notes with alarm the Department of Communities Family Resources Survey 2018/2019 which show that 122,000 children in Northern Ireland live in relative poverty (24% of children) with 109,000 of those living in absolute poverty and expresses deep concern that these figures have increased significantly since the previous year and have not improved at all in the last five years. The rise of the Universal Credit claimant count and expected end of the furlough scheme could see a further increase in these numbers, with the two - child tax credit rule and benefit cap only adding to the pressure on families with children. This Council calls on the Minister for Communities to immediately convene a child poverty task force, to set out how her department will reduce child poverty by next year and over the next decade.'

The Chief Executive advised the Notice of Motion would be referred to the Leisure and Development Committee Meeting.

20. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR DALLAT O-DRISCOLL, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BEATTIE

'This Council expresses deep concern about the financial consequences of Brexit for Executive departments including the loss of £70 million in EU Structural Funds for the Department for the Economy; regrets that the level of funding promised to the devolved institutions by the British government will not be equivalent to EU Structural Funds, notes that any loss of funding will result in significant negative consequences for Northern Ireland's economy and society; expresses concern that plans to operate the UK Shared Prosperity Fund from Westminster represent moves to centralise regional development policy; and calls upon the Minister for the Economy and the Minister of Finance to urge the British Government to commit to using the Shared Prosperity Fund to replace in full the EU funding lost as a result of Brexit and operate in a way that respects devolution settlements.'

The Chief Executive advised the Notice of Motion would be referred to the Leisure and Development Committee Meeting.

21. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR SCHENNING, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DALLAT O-DRISCOLL

'This Council recognises the importance and impact of volunteers in the Causeway Coast and Glens area over the last 12 months and pays tribute to those in the community and voluntary sector who have stepped up to support the delivery of critical Covid – 19 related services over the past year. The Council commits to valuing and providing support to volunteers and their organisations through funding streams and training opportunities, recognising the expertise that local groups have in delivering on the ground services to local communities. This council will continue to strive to make the funding application a more simplified process while staying within the guidelines and requirements of outside funding bodies. This council will further provide employees with the opportunity to benefit from the experience of volunteering through the Employer Supported Volunteering Scheme.'

The Chief Executive advised the Notice of Motion would be referred to the Leisure and Development Committee Meeting.

22. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY ALDERMAN FIELDING, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ROBINSON

'That Council explore where available dedicated green space areas could be provided for dog parks at locations across the Borough.'

The Chief Executive advised the Notice of Motion would be referred to the Environmental Services Committee Meeting.

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'

Proposed by Alderman Finlay Seconded by Councillor Wilson and

AGREED - that Council move 'In Committee'.

* Press were disconnected from the meeting at 9.09PM.

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

23. MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MEETING HELD TUESDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2021 'IN COMMITTEE'

Matters Arising 'In Committee'

23.1 Review of Street Trading Designations at Lansdowne Road, Portrush and Greenmount Avenue, Coleraine (Item 15)

<u>Amendment</u> Proposed by Councillor Holmes Seconded by Alderman Baird

- (re: Lansdowne) that Council proceed, as soon as possible, with the works put in place on site, that those who are there (3no.) are moved across under their existing terms and current licence fee rates until March 2024, to give a 3-year certainty and de-designate the sites.

Members stated support for and against the Amendment, to include Members stating they required more time to consider.

In response to Councillor Wallace, the Director of Environmental Services clarified there were 13 Street Trading Licences within the Borough in a similar situation, the majority were not in a position to move across as there was no Council land adjacent to move to.

During debate, the Director of Environmental Services clarified payments for the current sites and those at auction, approximately across the Borough.

The Mayor put the Amendment to the Council to vote. 25 Members voted For; 15 Members voted Against; 0 Members Abstained. The Mayor declared the Amendment carried.

24. MINUTES OF LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT MEETING HELD TUESDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2021 'IN COMMITTEE'

Matters Arising 'In Committee'

24.1 Holiday and Leisure Parks VAT (Item 16)

Amendment Proposed by Councillor Quigley Seconded by Councillor P McShane

- that Caravan Owners avail of the 5% VAT reduction and are given the \pounds 70 they are owed.

The Director of Leisure and Development clarified the reimbursement referred to was a separate issue, that Council was working with PwC and the matter had not concluded.

Councillor Quigley withdrew her initial Amendment with tacit consent of the seconder, Councillor P McShane.

<u>Amendment</u>

Proposed by Councillor Quigley Seconded by Councillor P McShane

- that Caravan owners avail of the 5% VAT reduction.

Councillor Quigley requested a Recorded Vote.

The Mayor put the Amendment to the Council to vote. 12 Members voted For; 28 Members voted Against; 0 Members Abstained. The Mayor declared the Amendment lost.

Recorded Vote Table

For (12)	Councillor Bateson, Chivers, McGlinchey, McGurk, McLaughlin, McMullan, C McShane, P McShane, Mulholland, Nicholl, Peacock, Quigley
Against (28)	Alderman Baird, Boyle, Duddy, Fielding, Finlay, Hillis,
0 ()	McCorkell, McKeown, S McKillop, Robinson,
	Councillors Anderson, Beattie, Callan, Dallat O'Driscoll,
	Holmes, Hunter, Knight-McQuillan, McAuley, McCandless,
	McCaw, MA McKillop, McLean, McQuillan, Schenning,
	Scott, Wallace, Watton, Wilson

24.2 Public Rights of Way Update (Item 17)

Councillor P McShane requested an update on a Right of Way.

The Head of Tourism and Recreation and Council Solicitor provided a response.

25. MINUTES OF CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2021 'IN COMMITTEE'

Matters Arising 'In Committee'

- 25.1 Minutes of Land and Property Sub-Committee Meeting held Wednesday 3 February 2021 (Item 13) Portstewart Town Hall (Item 8.1)
- * Alderman Boyle left the meeting at 11.37PM.

<u>Amendment</u> Proposed by Councillor Mulholland Seconded by Councillor McCaw

- that Council defer consideration for 3-4 months, mindful of the pandemic and requiring a longer timescale, for consultation, as promised to us by the Land and Property Sub-Committee and have a statutory duty to do so.

Councillor Mulholland requested a Recorded Vote.

Members stated their support for and in opposition to the Amendment.

Council Solicitor detailed background information and provided a response to questions.

The Mayor put the Amendment to the Council to vote. 11 Members voted For; 25 Members voted Against 2 Members Abstained. The Mayor declared the Amendment lost.

For (11)	Alderman Fielding, S McKillop Councillors Beattie, Dallat O'Driscoll, McCaw, MA McKillop, P McShane, Mulholland, Quigley, Schenning, Watton	
Against (25)	Alderman Baird, Duddy, Hillis, McCorkell, McKeown, Robinson	
	Councillor Anderson, Bateson, Callan, Chivers, Holmes, Hunter, Knight-McQuillan, McAuley, McGurk, McLaughlin, McLean, McMullan, McQuillan, C McShane, Nicholl, Peacock, Scott, Wallace, Wilson	
Abstain (2)	Alderman Finlay Councillor McCandless	

Recorded Vote Table

Alderman Duddy requested a recess.

The Mayor declared a recess at 11.39PM.

* The meeting reconvened at 11.41PM.

26. LEGAL OPINION IN THE MATTER OF A CALL IN REQUEST, IN RESPECT OF A DECISION OF THE COUNCIL DATED 5 JANUARY 2021, RELATING TO THE PROPOSED AIRSHOW.

Legal Opinion previously circulated.

'That this Council would develop a new International Causeway Airshow for 2022 to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and explore holding the event every 2 years from 2022. We should make this a key regional event not just for the Borough but for Northern Ireland and therefore explore working in partnership with key partners like the Northern Ireland Office, Ministry of Defence, Department for the Economy, Invest NI and Tourism NI. A project Board involving elected members of no more of 6 by d'hondt should be set up to shape and develop this event along with experts and other key stakeholders.'

Councillor Peacock advised there was no information available prior to taking the decision, contrary to the Legal Opinion.

Councillor C McShane queried whether any work had been undertaken to action the motion, prior to being agreed. The Mayor advised it could not be done due to the, 'Call In', the Director of Leisure and Development replied, 'No', Councillor C McShane requested that it be noted.

The Mayor put reconsideration of the decision to the Council to vote. 23 Members voted For; 13 Members voted Against; 0 Members Abstained. The Mayor declared the previous decision upheld.

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN PUBLIC'

Proposed by Councillor Scott Seconded by Alderman Baird and

AGREED - that Council move 'In Public'.

This being all the business, The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting concluded at 23:47 pm.

Mayor