

COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 5 APRIL 2022

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13.	Matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel	<i>None</i>
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(iv)	Councillor Ernest Gibson Chair, LGA Coastal SIG - Re: Motion for the Ocean – local authorities leading the way for our ocean and coastal communities	

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19.	Minutes of Environmental Services Committee Meeting Held Tuesday 8 March 2022 <i>'In Committee'</i>	
	Matters Arising	
19.1	Variations to Concession Trading Licence (Item 25)	<i>Referred to Environmental Services Committee (by default)</i>
20.	Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee Meeting Held Tuesday 22 March 2022 <i>'In Committee'</i>	
	Matters Arising	
20.1	Variation to Generalist Advice Services (Item 23)	<i>Information</i>
20.2	Brookgreen Ladies Bowling Club (Item 24.1)	<i>That Council do not get any further involved in the Bowling Club dispute, to pull back, and if it needs independent investigation the Bowling Club instigate this themselves.</i>
21.	Minutes of Corporate Policy and Resources Committee Meeting Held Tuesday 22 March 2022 <i>'In Committee'</i>	
	Matters Arising	
21.1	Minutes of Land and Property Sub Committee meeting held 2 March 2022 (Item 4) Land and Property Sub Committee Coleraine, Laurel Hill D1 – Progression of Disposal Update (Item 5.1)	<i>Amendment Lost</i>

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE
ON TUESDAY 5 APRIL 2022 AT 7:00PM**

In the Chair : The Mayor, Councillor Holmes (C)

Present : Alderman Baird (R), Duddy (C), Fielding (C), Finlay (C), Hillis (C), Knight-McQuillan (R), S McKillop (R), McKeown (C), Robinson (R)

Councillors Anderson (C) Bateson (R), Beattie (R), Callan (R), Chivers (R), Dallat O'Driscoll (R), Hunter (R), McAuley (C), McCandless (C), McCaw (C), McCorkell (R), MA McKillop (R), McLaughlin (R), McLean (C), McQuillan (C), C McShane (R), P McShane (R), Mulholland (C), Nicholl (R), Peacock (R), Quigley (C), Schenning (R), Scott (C), Wallace (C), Watton (C), Wilson (C)

Officers Present : M Quinn, Deputy Chief Executive (C)
D Jackson, Chief Executive (R)
A McPeake, Director of Environment Services (R)
R Baker, Director of Leisure and Development (R)
M Smyth, Finance Director (Interim) (R)
P Donaghy, Democratic and Central Services Manager (R)
D Wright, Chief Finance Officer (R)
D Hunter, Council Solicitor (R)
J Mills, Land and Property Solicitor (R)
P McColgan, Head of ICT (R)
A McAuley, PR Manager (R)
J Welsh, Head of Community and Culture (R)
W McCullough, Head of Sport and Wellbeing (R)
P Thompson, Head of Tourism and Recreation (R)
J Richardson, Head of Capital Works, Energy and Infrastructure (R)
T Vauls, Car Parks Manager (R)
W Hall, Asset Realisation Officer (R)
M Campbell, Energy Efficiency Officer (R)
P O'Brien, Funding Unit Manager (R)
S Duggan, Civic Support & Committee & Member Services Officer (R)
J Keen, Committee & Member Services Officer (C)

J Winfield, ICT Operations Manager (C)
C Thompson, ICT Officer (C)
A Lennox, ICT Mobile Operations (C)

In attendance : Dr S Blockwell - Head of Investment Management, Asset Delivery Directorate, NI Water (R)

Dr G Curran, Head of Metering & Billing, Customer & Operations Directorate, NI Water (R)

Press (3 No) (R)
Public (11 No) (R)

Key – **C** = Attended in the Chamber
 R = Attended Remotely

The Deputy Chief Executive undertook a roll call.

The Mayor opened the meeting and extended a welcome to members of the press and public in attendance and provided guidance in relation to Council's Remote Meetings Protocol and audio recordings.

1. THE MAYOR'S BUSINESS

The Mayor advised Members of the new technology installed in The Chamber.

The Mayor extended congratulations to Eoghan Rua on their recent wins and offered commiserations to Coleraine Football Club in their recent defeat.

The Mayor advised Members there were centenary coins available on a first come first serve basis, to contact the Mayor's Office by close of business on Friday.

The Mayor advised that Agenda Item 10(i) Deputation from the Harry Gregg Foundation, would no longer be received due to Council having recently received a deputation from the group.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received for Alderman Baird, Councillors McGurk and McMullan.

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Declarations of Interest were received for:

Alderman Duddy in Leisure and Development Committee Meeting – Item 10 Landfill Community Fund, Item 12 Community Development Grant Fund.
Alderman Duddy did not participate in the items.

Alderman Fielding in Leisure and Development Committee Meeting – Item 11 Community Festivals Fund, Item 12 Community Development Fund. Alderman Fielding did not participate in the items.

Alderman Knight McQuillan in Leisure and Development Committee Meeting – Item 24.1 Brookgreen Ladies Bowling Club. Alderman Knight McQuillan did not participate in the item.

Councillor Anderson in Leisure and Development Committee Meeting – Item 11 Community Festivals Fund, Item 12 Community Development Fund. Councillor Anderson did not participate in the items.

Councillor MA McKillop in Council Meeting – Item 16 Seal Documents. Councillor MA McKillop did not participate in the item.

Councillor McQuillan in Leisure and Development Committee Meeting – Item 8 Tourism Events Growth Fund, Item 9 Rural Business Development Fund, Item 10 Landfill Community Fund, Item 11 Community Festivals Fund, Item 12 Community Development Grant Fund, Item 13 Culture, Arts and Heritage Fund. Councillor McQuillan did not participate in these items.

Councillor Schenning in Leisure and Development – Item 23 Variation to Generalist Advice Services. Councillor Schenning did not participate in the item.

4. DEPUTATION - NI WATER

The Head of Investment Management, Asset Delivery Directorate and the of Metering & Billing, Customer & Operations Directorate from NI Water presented the report. Members were invited to ask questions.

The Head of Metering & Billing, Customer & Operations Directorate requested that his appreciation for the good working relationship with the Planning Department be formally noted.

*** Councillor McCaw joined the meeting at 7:21pm**

Members spoke to commend the work of NI Water staff and praised the good working relationship between NI Water and Council.

The Head of Investment Management, Asset Delivery Directorate and the of Metering & Billing, Customer & Operations Directorate responded to queries raised by Elected Members to advise that further consideration and action can be given to the issues raised during the meeting.

*** Alderman Finlay joined the meeting at 7:21pm**

At 7:45pm the Mayor brought the session with NI Water to a close. He thanked the NI Water representatives for their attendance.

*** The Head of Investment Management, Asset Delivery Directorate and the of Metering & Billing, Customer & Operations Directorate left the meeting at 7:51pm**

5. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 1 MARCH 2022

Copy, previously circulated.

Proposed by Councillor McQuillan
Seconded by Councillor Watton and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday 1 March 2022 were taken as read and signed as correct.

6. MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2022

Copy, previously circulated.

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held Wednesday 23 February 2022 are received and noted.

7. MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 8 MARCH 2022

Copy, previously circulated.

Chair, Councillor Wilson, proposed the adoption of the Minutes subject to any matters arising.

Matters Arising

7.1 Any Other Relevant Business (notified in accordance with Standing Order 12 (o)) (Item 3) Council policy on buying plots in the commentaries (Councillor McQuillan) (Item ii)

Councillor McQuillan requested an update regarding his query in relation to purchasing plots in cemeteries.

The Director of Environmental Services advised he would respond to Councillor McQuillan directly.

7.2 Adoption of the Minutes

Proposed by Councillor Wilson
Seconded by Councillor Wallace and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee Meeting held Tuesday 8 March 2022 are adopted and recommendations therein excluding Item 25 (Variations to Concession Trading Licence), considered 'In Committee' at the end of the meeting.

8. MINUTES OF AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 9 MARCH 2022

Copy, previously circulated.

Chair, Councillor Nicholl, proposed the adoption of the Minutes subject to any matters arising.

Proposed by Councillor Nicholl
Seconded by Alderman S McKillop and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held Wednesday 9 March 2022 are adopted and recommendations therein approved.

9. MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD THURSDAY 10 MARCH 2022

Copy, previously circulated.

Vice Chair, Councillor Callan, proposed the adoption of the Minutes subject to any matters arising.

Proposed by Councillor Callan
Seconded by Councillor Scott and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held Thursday 10 March 2022 are adopted and recommendations therein approved.

10. MINUTES OF LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 15 MARCH 2022

Copy, previously circulated.

Chair, Councillor McAuley, proposed the adoption of the Minutes subject to any matters arising.

10.1 Verbal Update - Tourism Events Programme

The Head of Tourism and Recreation provided verbal update on the tourism events programme.

Councillor C McShane stated she assumed there would have been a written report as before and highlighted there were no costs for Ballymoney Spring Fair which was happening at the weekend and those involved with the Rathlin Maritime event had been trying to plan ahead and only recently had the budget confirmed. Councillor C McShane requested a written amendment of the costs was included in the Minutes to provide a paper trail.

The Mayor confirmed the information would be included in the Minutes.

The Head of Tourism and Recreation advised of supplementary Information on the Leisure and Development Committee Report, titled Council Managed Tourism Event Programme 2022. In particular, he provided detail on the variances between the costs presented to deliver the Council led event programme tabled last month and the budgeted allocated in the rates setting process to allow for contingencies that were expected to be required, in particular arising out of the COVID19 pandemic. Following the Rate Setting process, at the March Leisure and Development Committee Meeting, Officers presented the proposed Tourism Event Programme with a view to detailing the schedule of activities for 2022. The report noted that there had been a significant relaxation in Government legislation and advice on the COVID19 pandemic and noted that whilst the Tourism Event Team are planning to run the events in their preferred format (i.e. pre-COVID conditions), each event will need to be assessed on a case by case basis moving forward throughout the year. During the Rate Setting process an assessment of risk was factored for, within the delivery of Council led events.

Key factors that increased risks included:

- The Continued high level of COVID19 with the Omicron variant and possible future variants. He advised this was when Council were setting the rates and preparing for the rates.*
- The Potential for increased costs for delivery and infrastructure requirements (i.e. inflationary pressures).*
- Scheduling of events in close succession from August through to October, and a severely diminished staffing resource that Council have within the events team.*

As a result, the costs per budget heading in the rates included mitigation for additional budget to provide a contingency for additional expenses in the event that they would be required due to COVID legislation measures, additional staffing resources, increased infrastructure costs and the possible requirement to outsource key elements of the Salmon and Whiskey festival, that is due this year to take place in September 2022.

The slide details the budget allowance that was set within the rates for each event (i.e. on the right hand side of the slide) and the actual budget believed to be needed when the report was presented last month and based on a positive position for each event for 2022 (ie based on reduced contingency requirements that we put in place when we were preparing for the rates estimates). The variance between the budget required and the budget allowance in the rates for the majority of events planned for 2022 is due solely to the provision of a contingency to allow for COVID19 mitigations. However, with regard to NW200 race week and Salmon and Whiskey, additional budgetary allowance was made for in the rates process:

- With NW200 – Elected Members were advised they should be aware the costs headings included are not new and existed in previous years budgets to allow for The requirement of a third party security firm to protect Council lands from unauthorised activity and overnight camping around Portrush and Portstewart; the provision of a family entertainment*

night in Portrush (which is no longer taking place) and a cost allocation for infrastructure and event support by our estates team and operations teams by way of agreed assistance for Coleraine and District Motor Club in the delivery of the event.

- *Regarding Salmon and Whiskey, whilst setting the rates an allowance was made for the possible requirement to entirely outsource delivery to a third party for the entire event, due to the fact this event now falls in a September schedule which is timed for shortly after the NI International Air Show and Ould Lammas Fair just in advance of Halloween. The Head of Tourism and Recreation advised the first part of the slide shows right up until Atlantic Sessions and the second slide, the budgetary requirements and the actual budget that was set in the rates, the seasonal Halloween events and the Christmas events.*

Table 1

Events 2022	Date(s)	Budget Requirement 2022/2023	Budget allowance in Rates
Ballymoney Spring Fair	Fri 8 th & Sat 9 th April	£20,000	£24,019
NW200 Race Week Festival	Sun 8 th - Sat 14 th May	£27,300	£49,064
Rathlin Sound Maritime Festival	Fri 27 th May- Sun 5 th June	£30,250	£34,572
Seasonal Summer Programme (Summer Theatre Programme)	Mon 11 th July - Fri 26 th August	£8,500	£9,000
Summer Fireworks Evening Portstewart (Finale of Red Sails)	Sat 30 th July	£8,500	£9,000
Summer Entertainment & Fireworks Evening Portrush	Sat 20 th August	£9,100	£10,780
Ould Lammas Fair	Sat 27 th - Tues 30 th August	£109,600	£137,263
N.I. International Air Show	Sat 10 th - Sun 11 th September	£400,000 net from reserves	

Salmon and Whiskey Festival*	Sat 17 th - Sun 18 th September	£44,000	£99,060
Atlantic Sessions	Fri 18 th Nov – Sun 20 th November	£21,800	£17,420
Seasonal Halloween Events x 4	Ballymoney - Thursday 27th October Limavady - Friday 28th October Coleraine - Saturday 29th October Ballycastle - Monday 31st October	£63,200	£63,200
Seasonal Christmas Light Switch On's	Ballymoney Thursday 17 th November Limavady Saturday 19 th November Ballycastle Thursday 24 th November Coleraine Friday 25 th November Portstewart Saturday 26 th November Dungiven Saturday 26 th November Garvagh Monday 28 th November Portrush Friday 2 nd December Kilrea Saturday 3 rd December	£78,650	£78,639
Total Request		£420,900	£532,017

10.2 Harry Gregg Legacy Project (Item 15)

Councillor McCandless stated he wished to appeal the decision made at the Leisure and Development Committee meeting regarding the Harry Gregg Foundation. Councillor McCandless stated that at the last Leisure and Development meeting £400k was awarded to other organisations and the £5,000 for Harry Gregg Foundation was quibbled, this money necessary to complete the Business case as was agreed in May 2021. Councillor McCandless provided background information regarding the Harry Gregg Foundation including the length of time it has been in operation, their work within the Borough and the potential for the Foundations future given the right support.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor McCandless

Seconded by Councillor Watton

- That Council accept Option 3 - Progress to Stage 2 and provide further financial support of £5k to the Harry Gregg Legacy Foundation towards the development of an Outline Business Case that addresses the key concerns within the Preliminary Review. This financial support is instead of and therefore replaces the original proposal of Stage 2: Pre-Application Notice support of £5k.

Councillor McCandless requested a recorded vote.

Councillor P McShane and Alderman Duddy stated support for the recommendation from Committee. It was considered that more information was required from the Harry Gregg Foundation, the impact on other projects in the area and that the business case was required to be in place in order to provide funding. It was also stated the Harry Gregg Foundation should be supported but everything needs to be in place.

The Mayor put the amendment to the Council to vote.

19 Members voted For, 15 Members voted Against, 1 member Abstained.

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Recorded Vote Table

For (19)	Alderman Baird, Hillis, Knight McQuillan, McKeown, S McKillop
	Councillors Bateson, Callan, Chivers, Holmes, McCandless, McCaw, McLaughlin, C McShane, Mulholland, Nicholl, Peacock, Quigley, Watton, Wilson
Against (15)	Alderman Duddy, Fielding, Finlay
	Councillors Anderson, Beattie, Dallat O’Driscoll, McAuley, McCorkell, MA McKillop, McLean, McQuillan, P McShane, Schenning, Scott, Wallace
Abstain (1)	Councillor Hunter

10.3 Coleraine and Ballycastle OBC (Item 16)

Councillor MA McKillop commented the leisure facilities survey had opened and that some constituents are experiencing difficulty prioritising the ranks in order, these complaints are from within the same postcode and she queried if there was a problem.

Councillor P McShane expressed frustration in the delays in providing adequate leisure provision for Ballycastle and stated his wished to see a more proactive approach to enhance the existing facilities.

Councillor C McShane stated problems with the survey were how the survey was set up rather than it being a postcode issue, she further explained how to

complete the survey and stated she would not wish undue delay owing to the application for the levelling up fund being submitted in June. Councillor C McShane stated seeing a breakdown of the steps being taken in a timeline has been very positive.

Alderman Baird concurred with comments made, highlighting internet connectivity issues in the area. She requested that hard copies of the plans were made available in Sheskburn.

In responses to questions raised the Director of Leisure and Development advised that issues with the leisure facilities survey would be looked the next day and if there was a requirement for additional time to compensate this could be arranged; and that the plans would be made available in Sheskburn.

10.4 Adoption of the Minutes

Proposed by Councillor McAuley
Seconded by Councillor Watton

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Leisure and Development Committee Meeting Tuesday 15 March 2022 are adopted, and recommendations therein approved including the amendment at Item 10.2; excluding Item 24.1 (Brookgreen Ladies Bowling Club) considered ‘In Committee’ at the end of the meeting.

11. LARGE TOURISM EVENTS FUND

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Tourism and Recreation.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to present the results of the assessment process for the Tourism Event Funding Programme – Large Events Fund 2022-2023.

Background

The Tourism Event Fund is administered as a competitive process via the Council’s online funding hub. The fund is established for the purpose of supporting new and existing event organisers, with outputs that align with the broad aims and objectives of the Council’s Destination Management Strategy. In October 2021 Council approved the parameters, criteria and timeframes for the Tourism Event Funding Programmes. Subsequently Council agreed to explore a sponsorship option to replace the Large Tourism Events Fund. At the Leisure and Development Committee meeting held in February 2022, it was agreed to proceed with the programme for the Large Events Fund in accordance with the Council’s grant funding policy.

New event applicants who met the criteria could apply to this fund as it returned to an ‘Open Call’ for funding. The Large Events Fund for 2022-2023 still retains some of the relaxed parameters set out in the previous Tourism Event

Recovery Fund but is fundamentally a return to the pre-COVID event funding programme.

2022 - 2023 Application Process

The application process opened on 8 March 2022 with the following key dates and deadlines:

- Mandatory Training Workshop for Applicants was held on 14 March 2022 to outline the changes to the fund criteria.
- Applications closed on 29 March 2022.

Event Funding Eligibility 2022-2023

The outline criteria for this fund is listed below for information, with a relaxation of parameters around visitor numbers, return on investment and target market to enable sustainable transition from the impact of COVID-19.

Tourism Large Events Fund – Events with an overall budget in excess of £30,000 which attract more than 3,000 visitors to the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough (previously 5,000), takes place over a minimum of 2 consecutive days (minimum of 5 hours on each day) and encourages overnight stays. Applicants must demonstrate how they will promote the Borough as a tourism destination through marketing activities. In addition they must demonstrate economic support / benefit from hosting the event (in previous years an economic return of 5:1 was expected), and how they will promote the area to the domestic market. The level of grant award available is up to 50% of total project costs, up to a maximum grant award of £100,000.

Assessment Process

The assessment panel made up of Officers from the Tourism Events Team and the Funding Unit met on 30 & 31 March 2022 and applications were assessed on a number of criteria, including full event details and delivery (including event management plan), event sustainability and skills retention, economic support / benefit, media and marketing impact (including marketing plan), options for further event development and enhancing the visitor experience connected with the event.

Each criteria within the scoring matrix is weighted and minimum threshold pass rate is applied at 65% as per Council policy. Successful applicants must attend a project initiation meeting and are offered feedback on their application and areas that could be improved on in the future. Unsuccessful applicants are offered an opportunity for feedback on improvement if they wish to apply in the future.

Summary of Applications

Table 1 (circulated) detailed a summary of the applications received with scoring.

Council received a total number of 7 applications. There were 6 successful applications (scoring 65% and above), therefore the amount of grants requested through eligible and qualifying applications for the Large Events Fund was £356,979.00

Recommendation

Elected Members are asked to approve the allocation of the Tourism Event Funding Programme to successful Large Events Fund applicants as detailed in Table 1.

Proposed by Councillor Schenning
Seconded by Alderman Duddy and

RESOLVED – that Council approve the allocation of the Tourism Event Funding Programme to successful Large Events Fund applicants as detailed in Table 1.

12. MINUTES OF CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 22 MARCH 2022

Copy, previously circulated.

Chair, Alderman Knight McQuillan, proposed the adoption of the Minutes subject to any matters arising.

Matters Arising

12.1 Council Standing Orders Update (Item 7) Correction to the Minute

Alderman S McKillop requested that the following two sentences be removed from the Minute:

"Alderman S McKillop proposed that this paragraph was taken out of the protocol. There was no seconder".

Proposed by Alderman S McKillop
Seconded by Alderman Knight McQuillan and

RESOLVED - That the following two sentences be removed from the Minute:
"Alderman S McKillop proposed that this paragraph was taken out of the protocol. There was no seconder".

12.2 Adoption of the Minute

Proposed by Alderman Knight McQuillan
Seconded by Councillor Wilson

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee Meeting held Tuesday 22 March 2022 are adopted and recommendations therein approved including the correction to the Minute at Item 11.1 above; excluding Item 4 Minutes of the Land and Property Sub Committee meeting held 2 March 2022 (Item 4), Coleraine, Laurel Hill D1 – Progression of Disposal Update (Item 5.1) considered ‘In Committee’ at the end of the meeting.

13. MATTERS FOR REPORTING TO THE PARTNERSHIP PANEL

There were no matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel.

14. CONFERENCES

There were no conferences to present to Council.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

The Mayor presented the following correspondence Items as read:

- (i) Northern Ireland Housing Council - The Housing Council January bulletin dated 10 February 2022 and 488th Meeting of the Northern Ireland Housing Council minutes.
- (ii) Alison McCullough, Chief Executive Fermanagh and Omagh District Council - seeking support to introduce a scheme for all school children to receive a free school meal.
- (iii) Grainia Long, Northern Ireland Housing Executive - final report and Action Plan for the Northern Ireland Housing Executive's research project into cavity wall insulation (CWI).
- (iv) Councillor Ernest Gibson Chair, LGA Coastal SIG - Re: Motion for the Ocean – local authorities leading the way for our ocean and coastal communities

RESOLVED – that Council note the Correspondence Schedule.

16. CONSULTATION SCHEDULE

Report, previously circulated.

The Mayor presented the Consultation Schedule as read:

- (i) South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust, Public Consultation on the Temporary Changes to Urgent and Emergency Care Services at Lagan Valley Hospital, Lisburn, submission by 22 April 2022
- (ii) Department for the Economy, Consultation on Proposals to Raise the Eligibility Ceilings for the Debt Relief Scheme, submission by 28 April 2022
- (iii) Department of Health, Introduction of Statutory Regulation of the Pharmacy Technician Workforce in Northern Ireland, submission by 16 May 2022
- (iv) Department of Health, Consultation on Minimum Unit Pricing for Alcohol in NI, submission by 17 May 2022
- (v) Department of Justice, Public Consultation on Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking, submission by 3 June 2022
- (vi) Department of Health, Publication of Consultation on Hub and Spoke Dispensing, submission by 8 June 2022

- (vii) Department for Health, Public Consultation and EQIA - Review of Urgent and Emergency Care in Northern Ireland, submission by 15 June 2022

RESOLVED – that Council note the Consultation Schedule (items i-vii).

17. 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, No's 5301 – 5314 inclusive
- (ii) Renewal of Licence Agreement Carpark 106-108 Main Street, Dungiven – Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and National Westminster Bank PLC T/A Ulster Bank (Ref L&P SC - 210901 CP&R – 210928 CM- 211005) (Retrospective)
- (iii) Deed of Surrender of Commercial Lease, Bay Café, Bayview Road, Ballycastle, County Antrim – Eugene Donnelly and Cathal Donnelly and Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council (Ref L&P SC - 220303 CP&R - 220322 CM- 220405) (Retrospective)
- (iv) Community Centre Management Agreement and Schedule of Maintenance Operations – Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Ballybogey Community Centre Ltd (Ref L&P SC - 210602 CP&R – 210622 CM- 210629)
- (v) Renewal of Licence Agreement Lime Park Playing Fields, Drones Road, Armoy – Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Trustees of Armoy Community Association (Ref L&P SC - 220202 CP&R – 220222 CM- 220301)
- (vi) Renewal of Commercial Lease Cairn Road Allotments, Cushendall - Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Trustees of Cairns Residents Group (Ref LPSC – 190109 CP&R - 190115 CM - 190128)
- (vii) Renewal of Licence Agreement Lime Park Playing Fields, Drones Road, Armoy – Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Causeway Giant's American Football Club (L&P SC - 220202 CP&R – 220222 CM- 220301)

Proposed by Councillor Mulholland

Seconded by Councillor McQuillan and

RESOLVED - that the sealing of documents as listed be approved.

18. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR MCAULEY, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN FIELDING

“That Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council commits to re-invest a portion of the proceeds from the recent sale of Dunluce Centre in order to upgrade the facilities at Parker Avenue in order to ensure that they are up to a safe and suitable standard for all weather training and match play. These upgrades must include floodlighting, installation of an artificial pitch

surface and action to address long running safety concerns with traffic management including poor visibility at night.”

The Mayor advised the Notice of Motion would be referred, without discussion, to the next Leisure and Development Committee.

MOTION TO PROCEED ‘IN COMMITTEE’

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Councillor Quigley and

RESOLVED – that Council move ‘*In Committee*’.

* **Press and Public were disconnected from the meeting at 8:42pm**

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The Mayor reminded Elected Members, of the session being audio being audio recorded in line with Council’s guidance.

19. MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 8 MARCH 2022 ‘IN COMMITTEE’

19.1 Variations to Concession Trading Licence (Item 25)

The Mayor invited the Director of Environmental Services to speak.

The Director of Environmental Services advised a decision was required and provided an overview of the information presented to the Environmental Services Committee.

The Mayor clarified the options presented to Council.

During debate, Councillor McQuillan proposed, seconded by Councillor Anderson, that Council accept Option 2 – re-valuation of the Trading site and later withdrew the proposal.

During debate consideration was given to how best resolve the situation with a specific trader to ensure a fair and legal solution could be found.

In response to questions the Director of Environmental Services clarified information relating to the current situation with the trader, the auction process and advised that legal advice had been sought and previously presented to Elected Members.

The Land and Property Solicitor provided legal opinion surrounding the Auction process.

In response to questions the Head of Capital Works, Energy and Infrastructure clarified the process for trading pitches had worked well on the whole, that legal and audit advice had been presented to Elected Members along with solutions as to how to resolve.

Alderman Baird spoke in support of finding a solution that followed legal advice and fairness to traders.

Proposed by Alderman Baird
Seconded by Alderman Hillis

- That Council refer the matter to the Environmental Services Committee to further consider options in order to find a better solution to suit Council, the public and traders.

Councillor P McShane requested a recorded vote.

* **Alderman Robinson joined the meeting at 9:20pm**

Councillor McAuley requested a recess.

* **Alderman Robinson left the meeting at 9:29pm**

The Mayor declared a recess at 9:35pm.

* **The meeting reconvened at 10:00pm.**

The Deputy Chief Executive undertook a roll call.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor McLean

- That the current status quo of the pitches remain as is until the end of the contract period, that no additional pitches are created and a caveat that independent legal advice is sought around the legality of variation to the contracts to be brought before Council.

In response to Councillor Quigley, the Mayor clarified the procedure for bringing a rescinding motion through Council.

* **Alderman Finlay left the meeting at 10:29pm.**

The Mayor reiterated the amendment and motion.

The Mayor put the Amendment to the Council to vote.
13 Members voted For, 19 Members voted Against, 0 Members Abstained
The Mayor declared the Amendment lost

Recorded Vote Table

For (13)	Alderman Duddy, Fielding, Knight McQuillan, S McKillop
	Councillors Anderson, Callan, Holmes, Hunter, McAuley, McLean, McQuillan, Scott, Wallace
Against (19)	Alderman Baird, Hillis, McKeown
	Councillors Bateson, Beattie, Chivers, Dallat O'Driscoll, McCandless, MA McKillop, McLaughlin, C McShane, P McShane, Mulholland, Nicholl, Peacock, Quigley, Schenning, Watton, Wilson

The Mayor put the motion to the Council to vote.
11 Members voted For, 20 Members voted Against, 0 Members Abstained.
The Mayor declared the motion lost.

Recorded Vote Table

For (12)	Alderman Baird, Hillis, McKeown
	Councillors Beattie, Dallat O'Driscoll, Holmes, Hunter, McCandless, MA McKillop, Schenning, Watton, Wilson
Against (20)	Alderman Duddy, Fielding, Knight McQuillan, S McKillop
	Councillors Anderson, Bateson, Callan, Chivers, McAuley, McLaughlin, McLean, McQuillan, C McShane, P McShane, Mulholland, Nicholl, Peacock, Quigley, Scott, Wallace

Councillor Hunter proposed Option 1 in the report that Officers approach the trader to ask them to rescind their licence and reauction the site to sell ice cream, tea and coffee and if the trader says no the licence remains as is until the end of the contract. The Mayor noted there was no seconder.

The Mayor ruled that by default the item is referred to Environmental Services Committee for reconsideration.

20. MINUTES OF LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 22 MARCH 2022 'IN COMMITTEE'

20.1 Variation to Generalist Advice Services (Item 23)

Councillor Mulholland recommended the support of additional funding to Community Advice Causeway. The Community and Voluntary sector need to be recognised for their work and brought up to speed with their counterparts in other sectors. This recommendation will go some way in providing the necessary provision required in this sector.

20.2 Brookgreen Ladies Bowling Club (Item 24.1)

In response to questions the Director of Leisure and Development confirmed that the process had started in relation to processing the formal complaint, which had been received, under the Council's Complaints procedure.

Councillor McAuley stated Council should not be setting a precedent of being involved in Club matters, getting involved, nor incurring the expense, of sorting private club matters.

Proposed by Councillor McAuley
Seconded by Councillor Scott

- That Council do not get any further involved in the Bowling Club dispute, to pull back, and if it needs independent investigation the Bowling Club instigate this themselves.

The Deputy Chief Executive clarified Council's Policy with regards to the Complaints process which would be followed in relation to matters raised in the complaint which could be investigated under Council's Complaints policy.

During debate consideration was given to Council not becoming any further involved in private club matters, clarification given surrounding what the Council will be investigating and the effects on the people involved at the Bowling Club.

Legal Opinion was sought from Council's Solicitor.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor Quigley
Seconded by Councillor Mulholland

- That the Bowling Club is closed on a temporary basis and an investigation to be completed.

Councillor Quigley requested a recorded vote.

The Mayor put the Amendment to the Council to vote.
12 Members voted For, 18 Members voted Against, 0 Members Abstained.
The Mayor declared the Amendment lost.

Recorded Vote Table

For (12)	Councillors Beattie, Chivers, Dallat O'Driscoll, MA McKillop, McLaughlin, C McShane, P McShane, Mulholland, Nicholl, Peacock, Quigley, Schenning
Against (18)	Alderman Baird, Duddy, Fielding, Hillis, McKeown, S McKillop

	Councillors Anderson, Callan, Holmes, Hunter, McAuley, McCandless, McLean, McQuillan, Scott, Wallace, Watton, Wilson
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The Mayor put the motion to the Council to vote.
 27 Members voted For, 1 Member voted Against, 2 Members Abstained.
 They Mayor declared the motion carried.

Recorded Vote Table

For (27)	Alderman Baird, Duddy, Fielding, Hillis, McKeown, S McKillop
	Councillors Anderson, Beattie, Callan, Chivers, Dallat O’Driscoll, Holmes, Hunter, McAuley, McCandless, MA McKillop, McLaughlin, McLean, McQuillan, C McShane, Nicholl, Peacock, Schenning, Scott, Wallace, Watton, Wilson
Against (1)	Councillor Mulholland
Abstain (2)	Councillors P McShane, Quigley

21. MINUTES OF CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 22 MARCH 2022 ‘IN COMMITTEE’

21.1 Minutes of Land and Property Sub Committee meeting held 2 March 2022 (Item 4) Land and Property Sub Committee Coleraine, Laurel Hill D1 – Progression of Disposal Update (Item 5.1)

Councillor McQuillan expressed concern that best value for this asset was not being realised by proceeding with the D1 process.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor McQuillan
 Seconded by Councillor P McShane

- That Council advertise the site at Laurel Hill on the open market, to see what interest there is before making a decision on the D1 process.

In response to questions the Deputy Chief Executive clarified the Land and Property Policy and processes have been followed throughout the progression of disposing of this asset and referred to reports previously presented in May 2021 and March 2022. She also confirmed there were risks associated with going to the open market regarding achieving best value for the asset.

Councillor Wilson asked if Council could lose the current offer on the table if the asset is advertised on the open market. The Deputy Chief Executive responded that it is possible, Council have not been in this position before, it depends on what the market conditions are at the time of going to the open market.

The Mayor put the amendment to the Council to vote.
7 Members voted For, 20 Members voted Against, 0 Members Abstained.
The Mayor declared the amendment lost.

MOTION TO PROCEED '*IN PUBLIC*'

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Councillor Scott

RESOLVED – that Council move '*In Public*'.

This being all the business, The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance
and the meeting concluded at 11:51pm

Mayor