Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council

11th November 2026

You are hereby requested to attend a meeting of the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council **Leisure and Development Committee**, to be held in **the Council Chamber, Civic Headquarters, 66 Portstewart Road, Coleraine, BT52 1EY and via video conference,** on **Tuesday 17th November at 7.00pm**.

Committee Members: Alderman Callan, Brown Stewart, McAuley; Councillors Anderson, N. Archibald, Bateson, Elder, Holmes, Kennedy, Kyle, McCully (Chair), McGurk, McShane, Schenning (Vice-Chair), Wisener and Watson.

This meeting will be audio recorded

Circulation: All Members of Council **(40)**

A G E N D A

1. Apologies
2. Declarations of Interest
3. Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 20th October 2026 (summary attached)
4. Members will receive a presentation from the Head of Community and Culture

   FOR DECISION (Items 5-7 inclusive)

5. Sperrins Partnership Project (Report attached)
6. Benone Leisure Complex Blueprint (Report attached)
7. Sports Facilities Management Agreements (Report attached)

   FOR INFORMATION (Items 8-12 inclusive)

8. 6 Month Business Plan Performance Review (Report attached)
9. 6 Month Financial Review (Report attached)
10. EVAWG Update (Report attached)
11. Low Noise Fireworks (To follow)
12. Correspondence (Report attached)
13. Consultations

14. **Notice of Motion Proposed by Alderman S McKillop, seconded by Councillor Wilson:**

That this Council notes the vital role of the Bushmills Salmon and Whiskey Festival as a 'celebration of local culture, heritage and produce'; commits to its continued growth and enhancement to ensure it serves as a catalyst for fulfilling our obligations under the Rural Needs Act (NI) 2016, supports the local economy, and enriches the visitor experience; and further resolves to actively pursue formal collaborations with relevant public bodies – including government agencies, tourism boards, health and wellbeing services, and the Education Authority – and to partner proactively with local community and voluntary sectors to deliver enhanced satellite events that maximise the festival's reach, inclusivity, and impact.

15. **Notice of Motion Proposed by Councillor Jonathan McAuley, Seconded by Councillor Allister Kyle:**

That this Council recognises the valuable contribution made by lifeguards in protecting public safety, preventing drownings, and responding to emergencies at beaches and other public bathing locations.

That Council further acknowledges that lifeguards often work long hours, seasonal shifts, weekends, and public holidays and may be required to travel to locations where parking charges can represent an additional financial burden.

Accordingly, this Council resolves to

- *Explorer the introduction of concessionary parking for qualified and on duty lifeguards working at designated beeches, swimming areas, and other aquatic facilities*
- *Consider: free parking for eligible lifeguards during their scheduled working hours*
- *Engage with relevant lifeguard employers and service providers, including the RNLI and other recognised organisations, to establish eligibility criteria and a suitable verification process.*
- *Assess the financial and operational implications of introducing such a scheme, including the potential impact on council parking revenue, parking availability, and enforcement.*
- *Request that this council prepares a report outlining ingredients the available options, anticipated costs, and practical arrangements for implementing a concessionary parking scheme.*

I believe this Council supporting lifeguards through reasonable parking concessions would recognise their public service, assist with the recruitment and retention of seasonal staff, and support the continued provision of essential water safety services.

FOR CONFIDENTIAL CONSIDERATION (Items 16-17 inclusive)

16. Replacement of Waterfoot Boardwalk (Report attached)

17. Cloughmills Pitch Project Update (Report attached)

18. Any other relevant business notified in accordance with Standing Order 12. (o)

D H Jackson
Clerk and Chief Executive
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council