

TITLE OF REPORT Correspondence	DATE 11 October 2016
Leisure and Development Committee	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Leader and Champion
Outcome	Provide Civil Leadership
Lead Officer	Director of Leisure and Development
Cost: (If applicable)	Nil

- Correspondence has been received from Castlerock Community Association requesting that Council nominates two elected representatives of the Council to attend future meetings of the Association.

The correspondence is attached for Committee's consideration.

Castlerock Community Association,
2A, Circular Road,
Castlerock,
BT51 4XA
27.09.16

Dear David,

I am writing in response to your suggestion that I should write to request the delegation of two serving Councillors to attend the monthly Committee Meetings of the Castlerock Community Association, which are held in the Visitor and Information Centre in Castlerock, usually on the second or third Thursday each month at 7.30 p.m., on a regular basis.

The Community Association was founded in 1967 and is therefore looking forward to its Golden Anniversary next year. The Association is the successor of a previously existing Ratepayers Association and was set up to have a wider focus in terms of improving the quality of life in the village of Castlerock generally and of preserving the built environment of the village area.

In recent years a more vigorous approach has been adopted to village improvement, particularly since the establishment of the village hub, which has taken the form of the Visitor and Information Centre, which is regularly manned by a force of willing volunteers on most days of the year. Social events, including those of a health promoting nature, are regularly organised throughout the year.

The Committee members are elected at the AGM, usually held in November of each year and they elect the officers at their first general meeting. The Association is registered with both the Charities Commission and Companies House and conforms to the practice norms of both of these organisations.

Alderman William King was a very long-serving representative of the former Coleraine Borough Council on our Management Committee, joined in latter years by Councillor Sam Cole.

May we request that two representatives of the CCGBC be delegated to attend our future meetings, with the political nominations coming from our District Electoral Area?

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours Sincerely, Mike

Michael R. Jones, Chair of Castlerock Community Association
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