



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN  
MOSSLEY MILL ON MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 6.30 PM**

- In the Chair** : The Mayor (Alderman J Smyth)
- Members Present** : Aldermen – F Agnew, P Brett, T Burns, T Campbell, L Clarke, M Cosgrove, M Girvan, D Kinahan and J McGrath  
Councillors – J Archibald, M Cooper, H Cushinan, P Dunlop, G Finlay, S Flanagan, R Foster, J Gilmour, M Goodman, P Hamill, N Kelly, R Kinnear, A Logue, R Lynch, M Magill, P Michael, J Montgomery, V McAuley, N McClelland, D McCullough, T McGrann, V McWilliam, V Robinson, S Ross, M Stewart, R Swann and R Wilson
- In Attendance** : Mr David Porter, Divisional Roads Manager  
Mr Stephen Gardiner, Section Engineer for Antrim and Newtownabbey
- Officers Present** : Chief Executive – J Dixon  
Deputy Chief Executive – M McAlister  
Director of Organisation Development – A McCooke  
Director of Operations – G Girvan  
Director of Finance and Governance – S Cole  
Director of Community Planning – N Harkness  
Head of Legal Services and Borough Lawyer – P Casey  
Head of Governance – L Johnston  
ICT Change Officer – A Cole  
ICT Helpdesk Officer – J Wilson  
Media and Marketing Officer – A Erwin  
Member Services Officer – S Boyd  
Member Services Manager – V Lisk

**1 BIBLE READING, PRAYER AND WELCOME**

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised Members of the audio recording procedures.

The meeting opened with a Bible reading and prayer by the Reverend Michael Gregory.

Councillors Cushinan, Finlay, Goodman, Kelly, Kinnear, Logue, McAuley and McGrann joined the meeting at this point.

## **2 APOLOGIES**

Councillors Bennington, L Smyth and Webb

## **3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

### **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

The Mayor welcomed Councillor Robinson to the Council Meeting.

The Mayor congratulated Officers from the Food Safety Team who won the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health Award, and also Officers and staff from the Waste Management Team and Newpark Recycling Centre for their win at the Plant Construction and Quarry Awards.

The Mayor commended Officers from Economic Development on their successful delivery of the Lean Workshops to 30 schools across the Borough, and, following the success of the Sports Awards event acknowledged all the great Sportspeople across the Borough.

## **4 MINUTES OF THE ANTRIM AND NEWTOWNABBEY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

Moved by Alderman Campbell  
Seconded by Councillor Foster and

**RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council Meeting of Monday, 28 October 2019 be taken as read and signed as correct.**

*NO ACTION*

## **5 MINUTES OF THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Moved by Alderman McGrath  
Seconded by Councillor Cooper and

**RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Operations Committee Meeting of Monday 4 November 2019 be approved and adopted.**

*NO ACTION*

**6 MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Moved by Councillor McAuley  
Seconded by Councillor Dunlop and

**RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Policy and Governance Committee Meeting of Tuesday 5 November 2019 be approved and adopted.**

*NO ACTION*

**7 MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Moved by Councillor McWilliam  
Seconded by Alderman Clarke and

**RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Community Planning Committee Meeting of Monday 11 November 2019 be approved and adopted.**

**8(a) MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING, PART 1**

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Councillor Lynch and

**RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Planning Committee Meeting of Wednesday 13 November 2019, Part 1 be approved and adopted.**

*NO ACTION*

**8(b) MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING, PART 2**

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Councillor Lynch and

**RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Planning Committee Meeting of Wednesday 13 November 2019, Part 2 be taken as read and signed as correct.**

Officers to circulate information on Tree Preservation Orders to all Members.

*ACTION BY: John Linden, Head of Planning*

**9. PRESENTATION**

**9.1 PRESENTATION BY DEPARTMENT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE (DfI), ROADS SERVICE**

Members were reminded that it was agreed at the September Council meeting that DfI Roads Service be invited to a future meeting to provide an update on the Northern Division Interim Council Report – Autumn 2019 Consultation.

A copy of the Report was circulated for Members' information.

Mr David Porter, Divisional Roads Manager, and Mr Stephen Gardiner, Section Engineer for Antrim and Newtownabbey, provided an update, responded to Members' queries, agreed to follow up with some Members on their individual queries and to meet with Airport DEA Members in relation to the Blackrock Development.

The Mayor thanked Mr Porter and Mr Gardiner, wished them a Merry Christmas and they left the meeting.

*Alderman McGrath left the meeting.*

The Mayor advised that the Motions would be taken at this point of the meeting.

*Alderman Brett left the Chamber during the next item.*

### **13. MOTION**

Proposed by Councillor McGrann  
Seconded by Councillor Goodman

*"This Council will support the introduction of soft opt-out organ donation legislation here in the North which will follow the example led by the introduction of the same legislation in Wales (2015), Scotland and England (2020) and the call from the Minister of Health in the south of Ireland, Simon Harris TD, for the same to be introduced there."*

**The Motion was declared unanimously carried.**

*ACTION BY: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive*

*Alderman Brett returned to the Chamber.*

### **14. MOTION**

Proposed by Councillor McGrann  
Seconded by Councillor Goodman

*"That this Council works with every partner and uses every power and every strategy at its disposal to reach out to our citizens to let them know we care and that we as a Council are there for them and that it's ok not to be ok.*

*Using our collective resources and working with long-standing established groups in the Borough, to map out a plan of front-facing initiatives such as the successful multi-agency "Road Safe Roadshow";*

*to engage schools, youth organisations, businesses and citizens on our response to resilience, emotional wellbeing and positive mental health;*

*to emphasise the importance of asking for help and to instil resilience and the hope that no matter what the problem there is always a solution."*

**The Motion was withdrawn.**

## **15. MOTION**

Proposed by Councillor Logue  
Seconded by Councillor Goodman

*"That this Council authorises the appropriate officers to source, on loan from other councils, sufficient Christmas Lights to ensure that the Main Street in Crumlin is decorated for Christmas 2019. Officers are also authorised to extend the relevant contract for installation to include Crumlin."*

### **AMENDMENT**

Proposed by Councillor Kinnear  
Seconded by Councillor Cushinan

*"That this Council authorises the appropriate officers to source, on loan from other councils, sufficient Christmas Lights to ensure that the Main Street in Crumlin is decorated for Christmas 2019. Officers are also authorised to extend the relevant contract for installation to include Crumlin. Recognising that Crumlin is accepted as one of the five main towns in the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough, authorises the appropriate Officers to take all necessary steps to ensure that Crumlin is included with the other towns of Glengormley, Antrim, Randalstown and Ballyclare as part of 2020's Christmas event."*

**RESOLVED – that this Council authorises the appropriate officers to source, on loan from other councils, sufficient Christmas Lights to ensure that the Main Street in Crumlin is decorated for Christmas 2019. Officers are also authorised to extend the relevant contract for installation to include Crumlin. Recognising that Crumlin is accepted as one of the five main towns in the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough, authorises the appropriate Officers to take all necessary steps to ensure that Crumlin is included with the other towns of Glengormley, Antrim, Randalstown and Ballyclare as part of 2020's Christmas event.**

*ACTION BY: Nick Harkness, Director of Community Planning*

## **10. ITEMS FOR DECISION**

### **10.1 TO APPROVE THE SEALING OF DOCUMENTS**

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

- Engineering & Construction Agreement for Crumlin Glen Phase 1 Works

Moved by Councillor McClelland  
Seconded by Councillor Robinson and

**RESOLVED - that the document be signed and sealed.**

*ACTION BY: Elaine Keenan, Legal Services Officer (Solicitor)*

*Alderman Burns and Councillor Montgomery left the Chamber.*

## **10.2 PT/CI/105 CORPORATE PLANNING WORKSHOP 2019**

Members were reminded that the Corporate Planning Workshop was held in Mossley Mill, Council Chamber on Friday 8 November 2019.

A workshop report was circulated at Appendix A along with presentation slides, for Members' information. Officers' actions were circulated at Appendix B.

Moved by Councillor Wilson  
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and

**RESOLVED - that the report be approved.**

*NO ACTION*

## **10.3 HR/GEN/027 HEALTH AND WELLBEING – FREE SANITARY PRODUCTS ON COUNCIL SITES**

Members were advised that in 2018 the issue of providing free sanitary products was raised at both national and regional levels across the UK to address the concern of sanitary products not being affordable to all females.

This year the Government announced that free sanitary products will be provided in secondary schools and colleges in England from the next school year. Scottish and Welsh Governments also actively support the provision of free products in schools, colleges and universities.

In Northern Ireland, the Department of Education is considering this issue along with other Departments. In addition, a number of Councils in the UK and Northern Ireland have either provided free sanitary products in all Council facilities, or are in process of considering doing so.

Numerous national and local charities and voluntary groups actively encourage work places, schools, public spaces and other establishments to provide free sanitary items in toilets, along with the standard products that are already available, eg toilet roll, soap, hand towels, sanitary disposal bins.

Locally Katrina McDonnell from the Homeless Period Project, Belfast, had had contact with the Council requesting that it considers the provision of free sanitary products.

This request linked to supporting the health and wellbeing of our residents and staff and Members considered piloting free sanitary provision at its civic centres and leisure centres.

The cost of implementing a pilot was estimated to be approximately £3500.

It was proposed that the pilot scheme would operate for 12 months, following which an update report would be made to Members in relation to the uptake and feedback from residents and staff.

Moved by Councillor Finlay  
Seconded by Councillor Logue and

**RESOLVED - that a 12 month pilot scheme that will provide free sanitary products and will operate at Antrim Civic Centre, Mossley Mill, and all Leisure Centres be approved.**

*ACTION BY: Andrea McCooke, Director of Organisation Development*

#### **10.4 L/LEI/AC/3 EVERY BODY ACTIVE 2020**

##### **Introduction**

Correspondence had been received from Sport Northern Ireland (Sport NI) offering a one year extension to the Every Body Active 2020 (EBA 2020) programme.

##### **Background**

The EBA 2020 programme is a 4-year sport and physical activity participation programme, funded by Sport NI and delivered by District Councils.

The key objectives of the programme, which commenced in April 2016, are to increase quality opportunities for target groups to develop and sustain participation in sport across key-life transitions. The targeted groups are; people with a disability; participants living in areas of high social need; women/girls and sustained participation.

##### **Current model of Delivery**

The current model of delivery adopted by Council enables the direct employment of five coaches; gymnastics (currently vacant), soccer, dance, disability, and two exercise referral coaches. These coaches deliver taster sessions in community/school settings and encourage attendance at leisure centre based programmes. They also run programmes and classes in the leisure centres which are additional to normal classes and specifically focus on the target groups. These classes contribute to leisure centre income. Sport NI has recognised this method of management as best practice within Northern Ireland.

National Governing bodies (NGBs); Athletics NI, Netball NI, Ulster Hockey and Ulster Rugby are also provided with an allocation of funding by Council, subject to approval of their respective proposals on how the funding will assist in achieving participation targets. The criteria for NGBs allows funding to be used for programmes, events, or against coaching costs. Cricket Ireland declined their allocation for 2019/20, with Ulster Hockey, Netball NI, and Athletics NI having submitted proposals and delivering programmes in 2019/2020 which contribute to Council's EBA participation targets.

Initially the programme funding offered by Sport NI for the 4 year programme was £335,935. Council agreed its contribution for the first two years only, initially at £46,000 from 1 April 2016 - 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. Following a review of the effectiveness of the programme, the Council contribution for the remaining two years was agreed. Year 3, 2018/2019 being £22,176 and Year 4, 2019/2020, being £28,460.

### **Review of Programme to date**

Officers had completed a full review of the EBA 2020 programme to date, which included both quantitative and qualitative data. The review indicated high levels of success in relation to participation and sustainability of physical activity across the Borough:

- Over 19,000 unique participants of which 46% female, 12% are people with a disability, and 16% are from areas of high social need
- 23% of participants carried on activity beyond the duration of the programme they were involved in
- Several new clubs were created including the disability focused Wheelie Active Club at Allen Park, Boccia Club at Antrim Forum and soon to commence in Mossley, as well as Neillsbrook Strikers Soccer Club
- Multiple programmes were delivered promoting participation in physical activity including; schools rugby programme, visually impaired golf, walking football, cancer rehabilitation, Parkinson's group which assists with movement.

### **Proposed one year extension**

Based on updated statistical data from Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA), Sport NI had utilised the Northern Ireland Deprivation Measure (2017) and the Northern Ireland Population Mid-Year Estimates (2018) to allocate funding and set associated targets. As a result, Sport NI had offered Council £87,703 in funding for the extension year 2020/2021.

### **Way forward**

Having taken into consideration all of the issues with a view to making the most effective recommendation for achieving the objectives, it was proposed that the currently delivery model employed by Council in 2019/2020 be retained. This included the direct employment of five coaches and the provision of funding to four National Governing Bodies to continue participation programmes that contribute to meeting the targets set for Council by Sport NI.



The breakdown of costs for the delivery of the EBA programme for the extended year would be:

<b>Proposed EBA 2020 Costs to Council Year 5 (20/21):</b>	
<b>Salary Costs of Council Employed EBA Coaches</b>	<b>£96,379</b>
<b>Contribution to 4x National Governing Bodies at £4,000 each</b>	<b>£16,000</b>
<b>Sport NI contribution</b>	<b>£87,703</b>
<b>Proposed Council Contribution</b>	<b>£24,676</b>

If approved, salary costs of EBA coaches and Council's contribution to the National Governing Bodies would be included in Leisure estimates for the year 2020/2021.

Moved by Councillor McClelland  
Seconded by Councillor Wilson and

**RESOLVED - that approval be given to accept the offer of funding in the amount of a contribution of £87,703 from Sport Northern Ireland for the delivery of the Every Body Active programme in 2020/2021 with a Council contribution of £24,676 on the basis of the delivery option set out above.**

*ACTION BY: Matt McDowell, Head of Leisure*

#### **10.5 CE/GEN/017 DISPOSAL OF LAND AT 361 CARMONEY ROAD, NEWTOWNABBEY**

Correspondence was circulated from Department for Infrastructure (DfI) regarding the disposal of land at 361 Carnmoney Road, Newtownabbey currently owned by them. Officers had reviewed this land and no need had been identified.

Moved by Councillor Magill  
Seconded by Councillor Hamill and

**RESOLVED - that the Council does not express an interest in this land.**

*ACTION BY: Nick Harkness, Director of Community Planning*

#### **10.6 ED/ED/173 STRATEGIC ECONOMIC WORKING GROUP MINUTES**

Members were reminded that it was agreed in August 2019 to establish a Strategic Economic Working Group. The Group, which is comprised of a Member from each party, will consider strategic economic development and tourism matters and review the outcomes achieved through the investment made by the Council.

The Group had now met on two occasions – 26 September and 30 October. Copies of the minutes from these meetings were circulated for Members' consideration.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove  
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and

**RESOLVED - that**

- (a) the minutes of the 26 September and 30 October 2019 be approved;**
- (b) the minutes of 30 October 2019 be amended to include Ballyclare at Item 4 Updates on Action Plan - Workspace Development vacant premises audit.**

*ACTION BY: Majella McAlister, Director of Economic Development and Planning*

**10.7 ED/ED/140 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP AND WORKING GROUP MINUTES**

Members were advised that the Partnership and Working Group Minutes as listed below could be viewed in the electronic folder called "**Partnership Minutes for Members Information**" on Members' iPads.

<b>Tourism, Town Centres</b>		
<b>File Ref</b>	<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Name of Partnership</b>
ED/REG/009	29 May 2019	Crumlin Town Team

Moved by Councillor McAuley  
Seconded by Councillor Logue and

**RESOLVED - that the Town Team Meeting Minutes as listed be approved.**

*ACTION BY: Kim Murray, Business Support*

**10.8 ED/ED/092 COUNCIL AWARD CEREMONIES**

Since the new Council was created in April 2015 a number of prestigious award events had been delivered by the Council including:

- (i) Sports Awards
- (ii) Volunteer Accolades
- (iii) Business Awards (currently across three towns – Antrim, Ballyclare and Glengormley)

The arrangements for the awards vary in terms of management, delivery and timescale and budget as summarised in the table below.

<u>AWARD</u>	<u>TIMESCALE</u>	<u>MANAGEMENT</u>	<u>DELIVERY &amp; BUDGET</u>
<u>Sports Awards</u> Including Induction to the Gallery of Sporting Legends (Valley or Forum) and a newly approved Roll of Honour.	Biennially – delivered in March 2017 and November 2019.	Managed through Working Group including elected members and community sports representatives.	Nominations are sought and assessed via the Working Group.  Dinner  Budget £16K
<u>Volunteer Accolades</u>	Biennially – last event held in September 2018.	Managed through a working group including elected members, representatives from Volunteer Now and Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant.	Nominations are sought and assessed by the Working Group.  Dinner  Budget £18K
<u>Business Awards</u> Recognises businesses that take pride in their products, services and local area	Antrim February 2017 March 2018 March 2019  Ballyclare March 2016 May 2017 May 2018  Glengormley March 2016 March 2017 March 2018 March 2019	Agreed by town teams in their annual actions plans and delivered by Officers	Nominations are sought and assessed via public vote to shortlist and winners determined by assessment by the town team or a mystery shop.  Award ceremony and networking event held in each town centre.  Budget Antrim £4K Ballyclare £3K Glengormley £3K

It was suggested that the three award ceremonies outlined should be delivered once during the term of a Council, ie once within a four year term, to maximise the impact of the awards and encourage new nominations to come forward.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove  
Seconded by Alderman Brett and

**RESOLVED – that the three award ceremonies outlined be delivered once during the term of a Council.**

*ACTION BY: Majella McAlister, Director of Economic Development and Planning*

*Councillor Lynch left the meeting during the next item.*

#### **10.9 CP/CP/122 DEVELOPMENT TRUSTS NI (DTNI) GOOD ECONOMY PARTNERSHIP 2019**

In October 2018 the Council agreed to support Development Trusts NI (DTNI) with a project to develop a local Good Economy Partnership.

Development Trusts NI is leading on the pilot initiative exploring policy and practice in local economic development in Northern Ireland. The project, funded by Friends Provident is being delivered in Newry, Mourne and Down District Council and Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council. Each project is operationally distinct. The project proposal is to explore building partnership and collaborative working between the community and voluntary or third sector and local government. The project builds on approaches being adopted across the UK concerned with Community Wealth Building and draws upon DTNI's Charter for Change, 'Time to Build an Inclusive Local Economy' which can be viewed at [www.dtni.org.uk](http://www.dtni.org.uk) for further reference.

The project is aimed at building local wealth and addressing inequalities in society, encouraging practices, policies and partnerships to:

- Retain wealth within localities;
- Create effective local economic benefits for many;
- Bring greater social returns; and
- Build long-lasting prosperity.

The project is supported by the Friends Provident Foundation and aims to develop the capacity of organisations to deliver against the themes referenced above. The project has established an informal group consisting of Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough stakeholders to share learning and pilot some project or policy proposals. Opportunity to express an interest in being part of the group was promoted to external representatives via the Council's website. This was to ensure transparency and equality of opportunity for groups to get involved and actively champion these issues.

A Members' briefing on 16th October provided an opportunity to learn more about the aims and ambitions of the DTNI Good Economy Partnership.

Members noted that the Council currently provides a range of initiatives that align with the Good Economy Partnership ethos, including:

Community Asset Transfer and Capacity Building

- Rathfern Community Regeneration Group and Monkstown Community Association manage and run Council owned community centres independently with the Council only providing support for maintenance;

- A programme for delivery to third sector regarding mentorship and coaching to increase their capacity towards the management and running of facilities and assets is being developed; and
- Officers are scoping the feasibility of a Workspace Development Fund for organisations from the third sector to develop workspace for use by entrepreneurs and start-up businesses. Eligibility criteria, terms and conditions will apply.

#### Social Enterprise

- Council delivers a designated social enterprise development programme; and
- Council's Chief Executive is the SOLACE representative on the regional Social Economy Policy Group which commits to provide support to the Social Enterprise sector.

#### Local Supply Chain:

- Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council manages and delivers the £258k contract Bid2Win aimed at supporting the supply chain to avail of public tender opportunities, open to businesses across Lisburn and Castlereagh, Mid and East Antrim and Antrim and Newtownabbey.

Officers had also met with Strategic Investment Board (SIB) to start to consider best practice approaches to implementing social clauses. Borough Life also recently included a feature aimed at encouraging our local businesses to sign up to the regional procurement portal to receive alerts regarding local supply-chain opportunities.

To advance the work of the Good Economy Partnership, DTNI wished to invite a minimum of three and a maximum of four Elected Members to be the nominated Council representatives on the stakeholder group.

Moved by Alderman Brett

Seconded by Councillor Goodman

**RESOLVED - that four elected representatives, one from each of the largest parties, be nominated to the Good Economy Stakeholder Group, and nominations be delegated to Group Leaders.**

*ACTION BY: Colin McCabrey, Head of Economic Development/Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive*

*Councillor Hamill left the Chamber.*

### **10.10 ED/TOU/19 VOL 2 & ED/TOU/061 COUNCIL LED TOURISM EVENTS 2020 (SHORELINE FESTIVAL AND BALLYCLARE MAY FAIR)**

For effective event planning for 2020 Economic Development Services wished to commence the planning of two Council led tourism events, The Shoreline Festival and Ballyclare May Fair. Members were reminded that key KPI's for these events included attracting visitor numbers to the Borough and a high satisfaction rating from attendees.

Shoreline Festival 2020: In keeping with tradition this event will run from Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 August over the Bank Holiday weekend in Jordantown, Loughshore Park (3pm to 10pm). The Saturday night event will again include a high quality act and it was proposed that Sunday will have a Jazz and Blues theme, creating an upmarket 'Picnic at the Park' vibe.

In accordance with the relevant byelaw, the consumption of alcohol is prohibited in the park. It was therefore proposed to suspend the byelaw for the duration of the Saturday evening music concert as in previous years, and from 3pm on the Sunday.

This year 5,000 visitors attended the Shoreline Festival event. Due to the growth in attendees, full use of the car park was now required. Event organisers would ensure that accessible parking is still available. In order to facilitate the full use of the carpark during the event, it was proposed that caravan park bookings are restricted to a 3 night minimum stay to ensure no caravans are entering or leaving the site during the festival. Caravan park customers will be able to enter and leave the site by car only and an emergency exit would be provided if required.

Ballyclare May Fair 2020: The dates proposed by the May Fair Working Group were Tuesday 19th May to Saturday 23rd May 2020 inclusive. The 2020 May Fair will have a traditional theme. Popular elements of previous years will continue including the Soap box derby, Family Fun Days in War Memorial Park, May Fair Parade, horse showcase, local music and entertainment combined with traditional craft demonstrations/workshops and a fireworks finale. There will also be an opportunity to include VE Day 75 themed events during May Fair week.

Due to the planned refurbishment of Sixmilewater Park, alternative parking for horseboxes would be sought. Applications would be made for appropriate road closures in relation to the May Fair.

Requirements for the safe and compliant delivery of both the Shoreline Festival and Ballyclare May Fair had evolved with more health and safety, accessibility, welfare (including first aid) and traffic management costs to be factored into each event.

The purpose of this report was to facilitate the timely planning of each event with the necessary budget provision being agreed as part of the corporate estimates setting process for 20/21.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove  
Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and

**RESOLVED - that**

**(a) the agreed dates for the events 29-30 August 2020 for Shoreline Festival and 19 to 23 May 2020 for Ballyclare May Fair be approved;**

- (b) a notice advising of the suspension of the byelaw for the Shoreline Festival be placed in the local press;**
- (c) use of the full car park at Jordanstown Loughshore be approved for both days of the Shoreline event, alongside a minimum 3 night stay for caravan park bookings.**
- (d) Officers to explore options to enhance Toome Fair.**

*ACTION BY: Karen Steele, Tourism Town Centre and Regeneration Manager*

#### **10.11 G/LEG/291/3 SOCIETY LOTTERY RENEWAL APPLICATION**

Members were advised that an application from Hill Croft Parent Teachers Association to hold a Society Lottery at Hill Croft School, Newtownabbey on the 19 December 2019 has been received. The proceeds of the lottery would go for additional equipment and resources for the young people in the school.

The application had been sent to the PSNI to seek their views.

Moved by Councillor Robinson  
Seconded by Councillor Ross and

**RESOLVED - that, subject to the PSNI having no objection to the Society Lottery, Members approve issuing a licence for the lottery.**

*ACTION BY: Deirdre Nelson, Paralegal*

#### **10.12 ED/ED/163 FULL FIBRE NORTHERN IRELAND – 5G**

The next generation of mobile communications, 5G, was beginning to be implemented at a national and international level, although many elements of its delivery and use were still in development.

It was anticipated that 5G would deliver faster and better mobile broadband services to consumers. It should also enable innovative new services for business and industry, including manufacturing, transport, tourism, immersive technologies and healthcare.

There are a number of factors impacting on the mobile communications sector:

- More Data - Driven by better customer experience, more connected devices, higher bandwidth requirements, virtual and augmented reality;
- More Devices - Driven by smart agriculture, e-health, transport and logistics, environmental monitoring and smart tourism;
- Instant Response - Driven by vehicle to vehicle communications, remote control applications, drone delivery and smart manufacturing.

Changing consumer habits may in future demand 5G, along with improved 4G coverage where not already available. The Belfast Region City Deal also

includes various initiatives which may indirectly stimulate demand over time.

At a practical level, where viable, 5G is likely to be delivered as a patchwork of technologies, using a range of radio frequencies. Some of these frequencies are widely used today e.g. TV and mobile phones, but other higher frequencies may also be planned. The new technology, and its benefits, are likely to be deployed first to urban communities. Without intervention though, the benefits are likely to emerge much more slowly, if at all, in rural communities, because of the challenging investment case on the supply side.

In recognising these challenges, the Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport (DCMS) had made funding available for a variety of initiatives aimed at removing barriers to the deployment of 5G, with the objective of ensuring that the UK should be a world leader in 5G communications. It was reasonable to assume that substantial further funding will be made available in future, given the UK Government's commitment to becoming a world leader in digital communications.

#### Funding Opportunities and Role of FFNI

DCMS recently announced a Rural Connected Communities (RCC) fund as part of the UK Government's '5G Testbeds and Trials' programme. A short, initial funding call was opened across the UK on 27 August 2019 and closed on 25 October 2019. The fund aimed to identify the means to address both supply and demand side barriers to the deployment of 5G at a local level.

The FFNI programme (Full Fibre Northern Ireland) is ideally suited to co-ordinating the role of local government in the delivery of 5G, and to leading bids for future Government funding. FFNI has already secured £15m in infrastructure funding support and built strong relationships with key stakeholders including universities, local SMEs, mobile network operators and other suppliers. These stakeholders had expressed an interest in working with FFNI to address the issues of 5G deployment in Northern Ireland.

FFNI has the means to co-ordinate a joined-up approach to 5G in our region - to work with key stakeholders to create a 5G forum; to consider a common approach to 5G in NI; and to ensure alignment with the Department for the Economy (DfE) and its current and future 5G policy framework.

#### Resource Implications

From a resource perspective, the FFNI Operations Team had suggested the following:

- Up to £8,000 per consortium member for 5G co-ordination, stakeholder engagement and bid development assisted through Consultancy support;
- Officer time to assist with the co-ordination of 5G activity in general.



### Key Issues

- Citizens, especially in rural areas, could benefit significantly from 5G in the future. However, without intervention, 5G will come slowly, if at all, to much of our region, mirroring the experience of broadband and 4G deployment.
- DCMS future funding provides local Councils with an opportunity to reduce the digital divide and lead on rural 5G rollout, to create 5G communities and ensure investment in mobile connectivity across the region.
- The timelines for completing a bid for the Rural Connected Communities (RCC) fund was however extremely short (8 weeks) and FFNI considered this impractical at this juncture without prior Council consent. Since future funding calls may follow a similar pattern, FFNI should position itself to be ready to react to such calls.
- 5G operates via extremely high frequencies. The UK Government's documented position is that there is no convincing evidence of health effects within current regulatory limits, but the perceived health concerns about this small part of the 5G spectrum requires further scrutiny.
- Due to the complex nature of the topic, external expertise will be necessary to assist in funding bid preparation. External expertise is also likely to be necessary in respect of some elements of co-ordinating 5G activity more generally.

Moved by Councillor Logue

Seconded by Councillor Magill and

### **RESOLVED - that**

- a) £8,000 be approved as outlined to the preparation of a collaborative bid;**
- b) the FFNI Operations Team carry out a comprehensive and detailed report analysing the risks and benefits of 5G roll out. This report should consider all available evidence and information on behalf of Consortium Members and be used to articulate the Consortium's future policy position concerning 5G deployment.**

*ACTION BY: Alastair Law, Innovation and Funding Officer*

*Councillors Montgomery and Hamill returned to the Chamber.*

### **10.13 AC/EV/007 ENCHANTED WINTER GARDEN 2019**

Members were reminded that delivery of Enchanted Winter Garden 2019 was approved by Council in April 2019 and planning for the event is at an

advanced stage. There are 2 developments which were brought to Members' attention.

1. Sponsorship

Over the last number of years, the event had included an 'Inclusive Enchantment' evening where the event is adapted for children and adults with additional needs. In 2017 and 2018, The Junction supported this specific evening with sponsorship of £1,500 however, due to significant structural changes at The Junction this has not been achieved in 2019. However, in planning this year's event Officers have been working closely with town traders including Castle Mall to enhance the visitor offer during the event and Castle Mall have agreed to sponsor the 'Inclusive Enchantment' evening with sponsorship of £3,000. This brings the total sponsorship achieved for this year's event to £18,000.

2. Temporary Gardens Closure

Members are advised that as the scale of the event has grown annually, the event preparations and set up arrangements have also grown significantly. In the days leading up to the event and the significant work involved in terms of lighting and attraction installation it is proposed to close public access to the main walkway through the Gardens, from Barbican Gate to Clotworthy House. This would apply from Monday 2 December until the event opens on Thursday 5 December 2019.

This closure is proposed because of the significant number of heavy vehicles which will be on the move in this area, setting up large attractions including The Wheel and the high level lighting. Footfall through this area at this time of year is traditionally low and the vast majority of other areas in the Gardens will remain open to the public for informal recreation. Communication and signage around this temporary closure will be planned to ensure minimum disruption to any potential visitors, residents and regular users of the Gardens.

Moved by Councillor Dunlop  
Seconded by Councillor Montgomery and

**RESOLVED - that**

- i. **sponsorship of the 'Inclusive Enchantment' evening from Castle Mall to the value of £3,000 be noted;**
- ii. **temporary closure of the main Gardens path from the Barbican Gate to Clotworthy House from Monday 2 December to Thursday 5 December 2019 be approved.**

*ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts and Culture*

**10.14 AC/EV/003 GARDEN SHOW IRELAND**

Members were reminded that Garden Show Ireland (GSI) has been held in Antrim Castle Gardens annually since 2014, having moved from Hillsborough

Castle Gardens where it had been held for a decade. Taking place in early May the Show is a 3 day festival of flowers, food and family fun themed around gardening and is aimed at a wide audience from enthusiastic gardeners, growers, retirees, young couples, families and groups.

The Council had been providing financial support to GSI for delivery of the Show in Castle Gardens from 2014. This had risen from an initial annual contribution of £15,000 to £25,000 in 2016, and a further increase to £35,000 approved for the Show in 2019 and 2020.

Since 2014, the Show had seen numbers increase from just under 20,000 to a peak of 29,000 in 2017. Over the 5 year period of the Show being held in Antrim Castle Gardens average attendances were approximately 25,000. A large proportion of visitors to the Show come from outside of the Borough as well as from outside of Northern Ireland. Specialist traders and exhibitors also participate in the Show from all over the UK and ROI.

Tourism Northern Ireland (TNI), who had previously supported the event as part of their event Sponsorship Programme, place a value of £18 per day on a day visit to an area. Using this value, the economic impact of the event over the past 5 years was estimated at £2.25 million or £450,000 annually. In addition, a post Show evaluation in 2018 revealed 5.8 million media opportunities (many with international reach) to see or hear about the Show and the Gardens.

GSI is a small business owned and managed by a sole trader and as preparations for the 2019 Show began, GSI expressed reservations about its capacity to continue to deliver such a large-scale event given its limited resources and appetite for risk. Last year GSI concluded reluctantly that they had not allowed sufficient time to deliver the show in 2019 and advised of their intention not to run a show and instead to complete a detailed review of Garden Show Ireland and its future strategy.

Members were advised that GSI had approached the Council with a proposal, which could see the Show return to Antrim Castle Gardens in 2020 and annually thereafter. It was proposed that the show would return as a Council owned and operated flagship event with the potential to deliver significant economic and tourism benefits for the Borough.

Details of the proposal were as follows:

- (i) Purchase of the Brand  
Garden Show Ireland have offered the Council the opportunity to purchase the GSI brand for a one off payment of £50,000 which could be capitalised over 10 years at an annual cost of £5,000 over that period.
- (ii) Garden Show Ireland Event Support  
GSI will support the Council to deliver the 2020 show.

(iii) Council

The Council would take on overall lead responsibility, including the organisation of:-

- General infrastructure
- Family entertainment and children's play area
- General traders & catering
- Security
- Craft stalls
- Cookery demos
- Show Garden Area (including schools and community groups)
- Sponsorship (with support from GSI)

(iv) Garden Show Ireland

GSI would take on responsibility for the sourcing of:-

- Plant Mall and displays
- Speakers
- Specialist garden traders
- Demonstrations
- Advice and guidance on previous traders and exhibitors.

(v) Income

The Council would retain all ticket income from the Show and all sponsorship money achieved. With average show attendances of 25,000, a conservative estimate of ticket net income is £160,000 based on 20,000 attendances and an unchanged admission of £10 per person.

A draft income and expenditure budget for the event under Council ownership was circulated for Members' information. The anticipated net cost to the Council for this arrangement was £35,000, which was the previously agreed budget for support of the show in 2019 and 2020.

Garden Show Ireland as a Council owned and operated event, had the potential to contribute to the Council's Corporate Plan for 2015 to 2030 across the 4 strategic pillars of Place, People, Prosperity and Performance. The Show had grown annually since its move to Antrim Castle Gardens, but in particular had achieved significant community engagement through the Schools' Garden Competition and Community Garden elements. Further development of these could positively contribute to the delivery of the Council's Community Plan, Love Living Here.

Discussions around delivery of the Show in 2020 had also considered dates and if Members accepted the arrangement proposed, the only dates suitable for the Show were Friday 3 May to Sunday 5 May 2020, given that other commitments in the event calendar which would impact upon traders such as Ireland Plant Growers Festival and the Balmoral Show as examples.

Moved by Councillor Montgomery  
Seconded by Councillor Goodman and

**RESOLVED - that**

- i. **the purchase of the Garden Show Ireland brand for a one off payment of £50,000 be approved;**
- ii. **the delivery of the event in Antrim Castle Gardens on 3, 4 and 5 May 2020 be approved.**

*ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts & Culture*

**10.15 G/MSMO/001 SCHEME OF ALLOWANCES PAYABLE TO COUNCILLORS 2019-20**

Circular LG 23/2019, circulated, had been received from the Department for Communities (DfC) providing updated guidance on the recent Local Government (Payments to Councillors) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019 which came into operation on 1 October 2019.

The Scheme of Allowances had been amended to incorporate this guidance and was circulated for Members' approval.

Councillor Wilson proposed that Members reject the proposed Scheme of Allowances and that special responsibility allowances be capped to levels of future pay rises awarded to council staff.

Moved by Councillor Goodman  
Seconded by Alderman Cosgrove and

**RESOLVED - that this item be deferred for a month to allow a detailed analysis of all Councils.**

*ACTION BY: Richard Murray, Management Accountant/Member Services*

**11. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

*Councillor Ross left the Chamber.*

**11.1 FI/FIN/4 BUDGET REPORT – OCTOBER 2019**

A budget report for October 2019 was circulated for Members' information.

The Council's variance on Net Cost of Services for the period to the end of October is £449k favourable. In setting the Estimates for the year, Council has budgeted to apply a credit balance from reserves of £700k, equating to £408k for the period of the report.

Taking account of the credit balance application and the income from District Rates and the De-Rating grant being on budget for the period, the overall position of the Council is an increase of £41k to the General Fund.

Moved by Councillor Robinson  
Seconded by Councillor Hamill and

**RESOLVED - that the report be noted.**

*NO ACTION*

**11.2 G/MSMO/60 CORRESPONDENCE FROM SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND**

Members were reminded that at the Council meeting of 30 September 2019 a Motion regarding funding for hospice and palliative care was unanimously carried and, as requested, the Chief Executive wrote to the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

Responses had now been received and copies of the correspondence were circulated for Members' information.

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

**RESOLVED - that the report be noted.**

*NO ACTION*

**11.3 AC/HE/027 CORRESPONDENCE FROM CO ANTRIM BRANCH ULSTER DEFENCE REGIMENT CGC ASSOCIATION**

Correspondence had been received from the Co Antrim Branch of the UDR CGC Association expressing their sincere thanks to the Mayor, Members and Officers for their support in relation to the recent Unveiling and Dedication Service of the UDR Memorial.

A copy of the correspondence was circulated for Members' convenience.

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

**RESOLVED - that the report be noted.**

*NO ACTION*

**11.4 CE/OA/013 NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING COUNCIL – NOVEMBER BULLETIN**

As agreed at the August 2019 meeting of the Council, the Northern Ireland Housing Council's November monthly bulletin was circulated for Members' information.

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

**RESOLVED - that the report be noted.**

NO ACTION

#### **11.5 G/MSMO/14 MOTION – NEWRY, MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Members were advised that correspondence had been received from Newry, Mourne and Down District Council regarding a Motion adopted by that Council requesting the Council's support in calling on the Appeals Service NI to cease the practice of holding Welfare appeals at local courthouses.

A copy of the letter was circulated for Members' information.

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

**RESOLVED - that the correspondence from Newry, Mourne and Down District Council be noted.**

NO ACTION

#### **11.6 CP/PCSP/081 PCSP RECRUITMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS 2019**

Members were reminded that at the Council meeting on 29 July 2019 a panel for the recruitment and selection of Independent Members to the PCSP was agreed. The panel subsequently carried out the shortlisting and interviews were completed on 13 November 2019. Fourteen candidates were deemed suitable for appointment.

Following the Council meeting, the results of the interview process will be notified to the Northern Ireland Policing Board.

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

**RESOLVED - that the report be noted.**

NO ACTION

*Alderman Burns returned to the Chamber.*

#### **MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'**

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove  
Seconded by Councillor Archibald and

**RESOLVED - that the Council proceeds to conduct the following business 'In Committee'.**

Members were advised that the audio recording would cease at this point.

*Councillor McAuley left the Chamber.*

## 12. ITEMS IN COMMITTEE

### 12.1 **IN CONFIDENCE** FI/PRO/TEN/316 TENDER FOR SUPPLY, DELIVERY AND MAINTENANCE OF TWO TELEHANDLERS

At the Policy and Governance Committee Meeting in January 2019, Council approved the business cases and budget of £[REDACTED] for the Capital Fleet Replacement Programme for the 2019/2020 Financial Year.

This tender opportunity was made available on eSourcingNI on Monday, 30 September 2019. Two tenders for the supply, delivery, installation and maintenance of the telehandlers were opened via the eSourcingNI Portal on Friday, 25 October 2019 and referred to the evaluation panel for assessment. The tenders were evaluated on a two stage basis as follows:

#### **STAGE 1 – SELECTION STAGE**

The tenders were evaluated on a pass/fail basis for mandatory exclusion and financial compliance, economic and financial standing, management systems and practices, previous relevant experience, and declarations and form of tender. Both tenders met the requirements of Stage 1 of the evaluation process and proceeded to Stage 2.

#### **STAGE 2 – AWARD STAGE**

##### **Technical Assessment**

The tenders were evaluated on a pass/fail basis for compliance with the specification. Both tenders met the requirements of this stage and proceeded to the next stage of evaluation.

##### **Commercial Assessment (100%)**

The tenders were evaluated on the basis of cost (100%) and the recommendation was as follows:

Supplier	Cost Assessment (out of 100%)	Total % Score	Total Capital Cost incl. Optional Extras for 2 Telehandlers (£) (excl. VAT)	Estimated Maintenance Costs for 3 Years for 2 Telehandlers (£) (excl. VAT)
Northern Lift Trucks (NI) Ltd	100%	100%	£[REDACTED]	£[REDACTED]

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Councillor Foster and



**RESOLVED - that having achieved the highest score of 100%, Northern Lift Trucks (NI) Ltd be appointed for the supply, delivery, and maintenance of two telehandlers at the tendered rates.**

*ACTION BY: Melissa Kenning, Procurement Officer*

## **12.2 IN CONFIDENCE FI/PRO/TEN/320 TENDER FOR SUPPLY, DELIVERY AND MAINTENANCE OF A PUBLIC REALM PAVEMENT SCRUBBER**

At the Operations Committee Meeting in October 2019, Council approved the business case and budget of up to £[REDACTED] to supplement the potential funding from the Department for Communities (DfC) to purchase a pavement scrubber for the public realm areas in the Borough. The DfC funding for 90% of the value of the project and up to a maximum of £[REDACTED] in total.

Council sought tenders through the YPO Framework 960 Specialist Vehicles. It was made available on eSourcingNI on Monday, 28 October 2019. Three tenders for the supply, delivery and maintenance of the scrubber were opened via the eSourcingNI Portal on Wednesday, 13 November 2019 and referred to the evaluation panel for assessment. The tenders were evaluated on a two stage basis as follows:

### **STAGE 1 – SELECTION STAGE**

The tenders were evaluated on a pass/fail basis for declarations and form of tender. All tenders met the requirements of Stage 1 of the evaluation process and proceeded to Stage 2.

### **STAGE 2 – AWARD STAGE**

#### **Technical Assessment**

The tenders were evaluated on a pass/fail basis for compliance with the specification and servicing, repairs, and maintenance. Two tenders failed to meet the requirements of this stage and therefore did not proceed further in the competition. The remaining tender met the requirements of this stage and proceeded to the next stage of evaluation.

#### **Commercial Assessment (100%)**

The tender was evaluated on the basis of cost (100%) and the recommendation is as follows:

<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Cost Assessment (out of 100%)</b>	<b>Total % Score</b>	<b>Total Capital Cost incl. Optional extras (£) (excl. VAT)</b>	<b>Estimated Maintenance Costs during 2 Year Warranty Period (£) (excl. VAT)</b>
<b>Euromec Contracts Limited</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>£[REDACTED]</b>	<b>£[REDACTED]</b>

While there was only one viable tender, it was in line with pre-tender estimates and similar previous purchases and therefore, officers were content that it represented value for money.

Moved by Alderman Brett  
Seconded by Alderman Girvan and

**RESOLVED - that having achieved a score of 100%, Euromec Contracts Limited be appointed for the supply, delivery, and maintenance of pavement scrubber at the tendered rates.**

*ACTION BY: Melissa Kenning, Procurement Officer*

*Councillors McAuley and Ross returned to the Chamber.*

### **12.3 IN CONFIDENCE FI/PRO/TEN/292 TENDER FOR THREEMILEWATER WOODLAND PATH WORKS**

At the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee meeting held in September 2018, the business case and budget of £[REDACTED] for works and fees for Threemilewater Woodland Path Works were approved.

#### **PROJECT SCOPE**

The contract involves the following scale and scope of works:

- Site clearance enabling works
- Construction of 2m wide gravel path measuring approximately 1.5kms
- Small footbridge
- Safety fencing along riverbank
- Directional signage
- Park furniture

#### **PROCUREMENT**

This tender opportunity was made available on eSourcingNI on 16 May 2019. Twenty-one completed Pre-Qualification Questionnaires (PQQs) were received by 11 June 2019 and referred to the evaluation panel for assessment. The contractors who responded to the competition were randomly sorted and evaluated in order on a Pass/Fail basis. The PQQ responses were evaluated using the criteria of general information, past performance, economic and financial standing, professional conduct, health and safety, declarations and technical ability.

The first six contractors whose PQQ responses were assessed as a 'Pass' were selected for Invitation to Tender (ITT).

Invitation to Tender (ITT) documents were issued to the six contractors on the 10 October 2019. five completed tenders were received by the closing date of 6 November 2019.

## TENDER ANALYSIS

The five returned tenders were arithmetically checked and evaluated on the basis of tender assessment total price only. E Quinn Civils Ltd submitted the lowest tender assessment total price as detailed below:

Tender For Threemilewater Woodland Path Works			
Contractor	Tendered Total of the Prices (excl. VAT)	Model Compensation Event Total*(excl. VAT)	Tender Assessment Total Price (excl. VAT)
E Quinn Civils Ltd	£[REDACTED]	£[REDACTED]	£[REDACTED]

*\*The model compensation event is included in the evaluation exercise to assess the cost impact of change resulting from potential future compensation events (variations due to unforeseen items). It includes costs for people, materials and equipment.*

## PROGRAMME

Following the appointment of the contractor it was proposed that work commence in January 2020 with a view to completing works in March/April 2020.

## COST SUMMARY

The current approved budget for fees & Works is:

£[REDACTED]

Tendered Total of the Prices:

£[REDACTED]

Model Compensation Event Total:

£[REDACTED]

Tender Assessment Total Price:

£[REDACTED]

Professional Fees:

£[REDACTED]

Predicted outturn cost for Works/Fees Cost:

£[REDACTED]

## OTHER COSTS:

Site Investigation:

£[REDACTED]

Signage:

£[REDACTED]

Total predicted outturn cost for Works, Fees & other costs:

£[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Flanagan and

## RESOLVED - that

- I. the tendered total of the prices of £[REDACTED] (excl. VAT) from E Quinn Civils Ltd be approved giving a tender assessment total price of £[REDACTED] (excl. VAT);
- II. the predicted outturn cost for works, fees and other costs of £[REDACTED] (excl. VAT) be approved.

*ACTION BY: Neil Luney, Project Development Officer/Sharon Logue, Procurement Manager*

#### **12.4 IN CONFIDENCE L/LEI/001 3G PITCH AT THE DIAMOND, RATHCOOLE**

Members were reminded that following Council's decision not to express an interest in land at the former Newtownabbey Community High School site, it was agreed that the development of 3G pitch provision at the Diamond in Rathcoole would be progressed instead. A concept plan for this site commissioned in partnership with the Northern Ireland Housing Executive to consider appropriate options for the site to meet local needs and demands identified the key priorities as housing, leisure and health and wellbeing facilities and a range of options including leisure provision (3G pitch) were included in the final report. Currently there is only one 3G pitch in the legacy Newtownabbey area of the Borough.

Officers had completed an Economic Appraisal, circulated, which proposed Option 2, re-development of one of the two grass pitches at the Diamond to a 3G surface with floodlighting as the preferred option. If approved, this re-development would provide a modern facility for the local community and would offer an additional bookable 3G pitch which would help to meet demand at peak times in that part of the Borough.

The Section 75 Screening Form was circulated. An EQIA was not required.

Moved by Councillor Foster  
Seconded by Councillor McCullough and

**RESOLVED - that Option 2, the development of a 3G pitch on one of the existing grass pitches at the Diamond, Rathcoole, at an estimated cost of £■■■■■, including professional and contingency fees, as set out in the Economic Appraisal be approved and that the Section 75 Screening Form also be approved.**

*ACTION BY: Matt McDowell, Head of Leisure*

#### **MOTION TO PROCEED 'OUT OF COMMITTEE'**

Moved by Councillor Foster  
Seconded by Councillor Logue and

**RESOLVED - that the Council proceeds to conduct any remaining business 'In Public'.**

Members were advised that the audio recording would restart at this point.

The Mayor thanked everyone for attending and the meeting concluded at 8.42 pm.

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**MAYOR**

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