



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN
MOSSLEY MILL ON MONDAY 25 APRIL 2016 AT 6:30 PM**

- In the Chair** : The Mayor (Councillor T Hogg)
- Members Present** : Aldermen - F Agnew, W Ball, P Barr, T Burns, M Cosgrove,
B DeCourcy, M Girvan, J Smyth and R Swann
- Councillors - D Arthurs, A Ball, T Beatty, J Bingham, P Brett,
L Clarke, H Cushinan, B Duffin, M Goodman, T Girvan,
P Hamill, D Hollis, N Kells, B Kelso, R Lynch, M Magill,
M Maguire, J Montgomery, N McClelland, V McWilliam,
P Michael, M Rea, S Ross, J Scott and W Webb
- In Attendance** : Northern Ireland Water Representatives:
- Mr Alec McQuillan
 - Ms Dymphna Gallagher
 - Mr Maynard Cousley
- Stop the Drill Representatives:
- Ms Fiona Joyce
 - Ms Majella McCarron
- Officers Present** : Chief Executive - Mrs J Dixon
Director of Finance & Governance - Mrs C McFarland
Director of Operations - Ms G Girvan
Director of Organisation Development - Mrs A McCooke
Director of Community Planning & Regeneration - Ms M
McAlister
Head of Communication and Customer Services - Mrs T
White
Head of Governance - Mrs L Johnston
Legal Advisor - Mr Paul Casey
Senior Admin Officer - Mrs S McAree
Senior Mayor & Member Services Officer - Mrs K Smyth
ICT Officer - Mr P Allan

1 BIBLE READING, PRAYER AND WELCOME

The meeting opened with a Bible reading and prayer by Rev Campbell Dixon MBE.

Councillors Cushinan and Goodman joined the meeting.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Condolences were extended to Councillor Cushinan on the recent passing of his father.

Congratulations and best wishes were conveyed to Alderman Cosgrove and his wife on the recent birth of their son.

Councillor Cushinan expressed his appreciation to Members and officers for their expressions of sympathy.

2 APOLOGIES

Deputy Mayor - Councillor J Blair
Alderman T Campbell and Councillors N Kelly, A Logue and D Ritchie

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

4 MINUTES OF THE ANTRIM AND NEWTOWNABBEY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

Moved by Councillor Webb
Seconded by Councillor Brett and

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council Meeting of 21 March 2016 be taken as read and signed as correct.

NO ACTION

5 MINUTES OF THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Moved by Alderman Smyth
Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Operations Committee of Monday 4 April 2016 be approved adopted.

NO ACTION

6 MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Moved by Councillor Arthurs
Seconded by Alderman Barr and

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Policy and Governance Committee of Tuesday 5 April 2016 be approved and adopted.

NO ACTION

7 MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE

Moved by Councillor Brett
Seconded by Councillor Lynch and

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee of Monday 11 April 2016 be approved and adopted.

NO ACTION

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

Moved by Alderman Swann
Seconded by Councillor Webb and

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Planning Committee of Monday 18 April 2016, Part 1 be taken as read and signed as correct.

NO ACTION

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

Moved by Alderman Swann
Seconded by Councillor Webb and

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Planning Committee of Monday 18 April 2016, Part 2 be approved and adopted.

NO ACTION

9.1 ATTENDANCE BY NORTHERN IRELAND WATER REPRESENTATIVES AND STOP THE DRILL REPRESENTATIVES

Members were reminded that it was agreed at the February Council meeting that the representatives from Northern Ireland Water and the Stop the Drill Campaign be invited to present to the Council. The following representatives were in attendance:

- Northern Ireland Water - Mr Alec McQuillan, Ms Dymphna Gallagher and Mr Maynard Cousley
- Stop the Drill - Ms Fiona Joyce and Ms Majella McCarron

The Mayor welcomed all representatives to the meeting with both presentations highlighting the undernoted points:-

Northern Ireland Water

- Vision - *"to be a valued and trusted provider of one of Northern Ireland's most essential public services; an organisation our customers and staff are proud of"*.
- Safety / monitoring of drinking water supply is top priority.
- Dorisland WTW Catchment management / liaison with other statutory agencies / private land ownership / leasing to Forest Service and Farmers.
- Exploratory drilling site / daily sample analytical testing / water drawn from the catchment for treatment is surface water / no residual risk to drinking water supply.
- Oil Spill inspections and assessments / risks associated with hazards / mitigation measures.
- Drinking water safety plans / World Health Organisation guidance / Drinking Water Regulations / reassurance.

Stop the Drill

- Campaign - *"to protect the water catchment area in the Woodburn Forest and the nearby North Woodburn Reservoir from a 50 year agreement between Northern Ireland Water and the oil company Infrastrata"*.
- The need for protection of the water catchment area.
- DETI - due diligence / conflicts of interest / legislation.
- Permitted Development Rights / Environmental Impact Assessment / traffic management / Waste Management Plan
- Lack of community consultation / trust.
- Risks /contaminations associated with exploratory drilling and spills.
- Judicial Review being progressed by concerned resident against Mid and East Antrim Council.
- Request for Super Council(s) to support the campaign in calling for permitted development rights/licenses to be revoked.

During the presentations representatives from NI Water responded to enquiries from Members elaborating as necessary.

The representatives assured members that the water quality had not been affected since the site work began, and undertook to provide a monthly update on the water quality to the Council throughout the exploratory drilling process.

Councillor Kells left the meeting during the presentation.

The Mayor thanked all representatives for addressing Council and they withdrew from the meeting.

9.2 TO APPROVE THE SEALING OF 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:-

- Stiles Way / Fountain Hill
- Rathmullan Drive
- Antrim Forum and Valley Leisure Centre Hockey Pitch resurfacing and associated works

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Bingham and

RESOLVED - that the sealing of documents be approved.

ACTION BY: Paul Casey, Legal Advisor

9.3 G/MSMO/17 VOL 2 ROADS PROGRAMME PRESENTATION REQUEST

It was reported that correspondence had been received from Transport NI regarding making a presentation to the Council regarding an overview of the work undertaken during the financial year 2015/16 and to outline our proposed work for the new financial year 2016/17.

Moved by Councillor Bingham
Seconded by Alderman Cosgrove and

RESOLVED - that Transport NI representatives be invited to present to a Committee meeting in September 2016.

ACTION BY: Member Services

9.4 G/MSMO/17 VOL 2 NI HOUSING EXECUTIVE PRESENTATION REQUEST

It was reported that correspondence had been received from the Housing Executive requesting to make a presentation to the Council regarding the Housing Investment Plan.

Moved by Councillor T Girvan
Seconded by Councillor Brett and

RESOLVED - that Housing Executive representatives be invited to present to the Council meeting on 25 July 2016.

ACTION BY: Member Services

9.5 G/MSMO/17 VOL 2 RIVERRIDGE RECYCLING LTD

It was reported that correspondence had been received from RiverRidge Recycling regarding making a presentation to the Council regarding the Full circle Generation Energy from Waste facility at Airport Road West in Belfast and the wider operations of their waste management company.

Moved by Councillor Brett
Seconded by Councillor Arthurs and

RESOLVED - that the decision to receive a presentation from RiverRidge Recycling be deferred pending resolution of arc21 matters.

ACTION BY: Paul Casey / Jacqui Dixon

9.6 G/MSMO/8 CONSULTATION - DRAFT DIABETES STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

Members were advised that correspondence had been received from the Chief Medical Officer advising of a consultation document, Diabetes Strategic Framework and Implementation Plan.

The consultation document and the response questionnaire are both available on the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety website at www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/consultations.

Moved by Councillor Webb
Seconded by Councillor T Girvan and

RESOLVED - that members respond on an individual or party political basis.

NO ACTION

9.7 CE/GEN/4 TRANSPORT NI - AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED DISABLED PARKING BAY - MULL ROAD, ANTRIM

It is reported that correspondence had been received from Transport NI outlining details regarding their proposal to reserve an on-street disabled parking space to the side of number 1 Mull Road, Antrim. This was an amendment to the previous request to the parking space requested to the side of no 46 Mull Road.

Comments to be forwarded to Traffic Management at County Hall, Ballymena, BT42 1QG.

Moved by Councillor Lynch
Seconded by Councillor Scott and

RESOLVED - that the Council respond to Transport NI welcoming the proposal to reserve an on-street disabled parking bay at Mull Road, Antrim.

NO ACTION

9.8 G/MSMO/INV/2 NORTH DOWN BRANCH, THE REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION, THE ULSTER DEFENCE REGIMENT CGC

Members were advised that an invitation had been extended to all Members of the Council from the North Down Branch of the Regimental Association of the Ulster Defence Regiment CGC to a Church Parade and Service of Remembrance of the Belfast County, to be held in St John's (Orangefield) Parish Church, Castlereagh Road, Belfast on Sunday, 15 May 2016 at 2.30pm.

Prior to the service, there would be a short parade from the assembly area in Alexander Road (opposite the PSNI Station), a distance of less than a mile. March off would be at 2.00 pm.

Car parking would be available at the Church from 1.30 pm; Members taking part in the parade would be transported by bus to the assembly area. Those who were unable to participate in the parade were welcome to attend the Church service only.

There would not be a return parade after the service, which would conclude at 3.30 pm approximately. Refreshments would be served in the adjacent Church Hall.

Moved by Councillor Magill
Seconded by Councillor Scott and

on the proposal being put to the meeting 27 Members voted in favour, 2 against and 4 abstentions, it was

RESOLVED - that any Member wishing to attend do so as an approved duty.

ACTION BY: Member Services

9.9 G/MSMO/INV/3 INVITATION - THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

It was reported that an invitation had been received, a copy of which was enclosed, from her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of County Antrim to a service of Celebration and Thanksgiving to mark the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty The Queen in St Nicholas' Church, Carrickfergus on Sunday 29 May 2016 at 3.30pm followed by refreshments in the Church Hall.

Members have been invited to wear robes otherwise the dress code is Lounge Suit or Uniform.

Elected Members and the Chief Executive are invited to robe at Carrickfergus Town Hall and car parking is available in Joymount Car Parks opposite the Town Hall.

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Hamill and

RESOLVED - that any member wishing to attend do so as an approved duty and inform Member Services by Friday 27 May 2016.

ACTION BY: Member Services

9.10 L/CP/7 ARMED FORCES DAY

Members were reminded of the Armed Forces Day event scheduled for Antrim on Saturday 18 June 2016.

CAR PARKING

It was expected that there would be a considerable influx of visitors to the town for the event with an associated requirement for car parking. Officers are currently working on a parking/transport plan for the event and propose that Central and Railway Street car parks are free of charge on the day.

LICENSED BAR PROVISION

Organisers of the event have requested that the council consider provision of licensed bar facilities both within the Antrim Castle Gardens and Antrim Stadium areas of the event space in line with what has been done at previous events.

The Antrim Castle Gardens contract caterer, Big Occasions has an alcohol licence and can provide the bar service on both sides of the river. There are no issues with bye-laws as the licence covers this. No alcohol will be allowed to be brought on to the site.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove
Seconded by Councillor Michael and

on the proposal being put to the meeting 30 Members voted in favour, 2 against and no abstentions, it was

RESOLVED: that

- (a) Members approve the free use of Central and Railway Street car parks, Antrim on Saturday 18 June 2016;**
- (b) Provision of licensed bars in both Antrim Castle Gardens and Antrim Stadium for the Armed Forces Day event from 12 noon to 5pm be approved.**

ACTION BY: Ivor McMullan / Ursula Fay

9.11 AC/GEN/44 SOMME CENTENARY GRANT FUNDING PROGRAMME

Members were reminded that the establishment of a Somme Centenary Grants Programme, for groups wishing to organise events to commemorate the Centenary of the Battle of the Somme, was approved at the February Council Meeting. A total budget allocation of £10,000 from the agreed Somme Centenary budget of £50,000 was approved with grants of between £500 and £2,000 available for large scale events.

The grant programme opened on Tuesday 22 March at 12 noon and closed on Wednesday 13 April at 5 pm, with a total of 17 applications received. Members are advised that the Somme Centenary Grant Fund was administered in the same way as the arts and culture and community grants programmes with a pass threshold of 50% as well as similar criteria and funding conditions. A total of 13 applications were successful with the remaining 4 not meeting the scoring threshold.

A copy of grant guidelines including funding conditions was enclosed for members' information.

The total amount of grant aid requested by all applicants who successfully met the criteria and exceeded the 50% scoring threshold is £13,469, which is £3,469 in excess of the available budget.

Given that funding requested exceeds budget allocation two options are proposed for members' consideration:

1. Award full amount requested by applicants, with the amount of Somme budget allocated to grants increased by £3,469 to cover the increase and savings made from other indicative Somme programme budget allocations to reflect this.
2. Apply a reduction of 25% to all applicant awards (normal practice when available grant budget is oversubscribed), which will reduce the total funding requested to £9914.25, which is within the available budget allocation of £10,000.

A summary of the applications, including scores and amount of funding proposed in the case of each option above was enclosed for Members' information.

Moved by Alderman Agnew
Seconded by Councillor Brett

that the Council approve Option 1.

AMENDMENT

Moved by Councillor McClelland
Seconded by Councillor Duffin

that the Council approve Option 2.

Following clarification that the total budget cap previously agreed would not change Councillor McClelland withdrew her amendment.

AMENDMENT

Moved by Councillor Goodman
Seconded by Councillor Cushinan

that the Council approve Option 2.

on the amendment being put to the meeting 2 Members voted in favour, 31 against and no abstentions.

The Mayor declared the amendment fallen.

on the substantive motion being put to the meeting 31 Members voted in favour, 2 against and no abstentions.

The Mayor declared the substantive motion carried and it was

RESOLVED - that the Council approve Option 1.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts and Culture

9.12 AC/EV/8 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY BATTLE OF THE SOMME

The April meeting of the Battle of the Somme Working Group was held on Tuesday 5 April 2016 in Antrim Civic Centre and the minutes were enclosed for members' information.

Moved by Alderman Agnew
Seconded by Councillor Brett and

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the Somme Working Group be approved.

Prepared by: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts and Culture

9.13 L/LEI/14 LEISURE GRANT AID - DEFIBRILLATOR GRANT APPLICATIONS

Members were reminded that in January 2016 approval was given to extend the Leisure Grant aid programme to include a Defibrillator Scheme. Set up in partnership with Antrim and Ballyclare Lions Clubs, the scheme offers funding for successful applicants on the basis of 50% Lions Club, 25% Council and 25% applicant.

Lions Club contributions are £5,000 (Antrim) and £1,000 (Ballyclare). Each club has committed the funding in the knowledge that applications will be from across the whole Borough.

The scheme was launched in Feb 2016 and following an online application process eight applications were received, all of which were successful:

Club Name	Total cost	50% Lions Club	25% ANBC	25% Club
Academy Rugby Club	£799.00	£399.50	£199.75	£199.75
St Ergnat's GAC	£988.80	£494.40	£247.20	£247.20
Shogun Ju-Jitsu	£1,118.40	£559.20	£279.60	£279.60
Pace running Club	£1,078.80	£539.40	£269.70	£269.70
St Enda's GAC	£988.80	£494.40	£247.20	£247.20
Monkstown Boxing Club	£1,170.00	£585.00	£292.50	£292.50
Church Hall, Church of the Good Shepherd, Monkstown	£1,118.40	£559.20	£279.60	£279.60
Ballyclare Comrades FC	£988.80	£494.40	£247.20	£247.20
Total	£8,251.00	£4,125.50	£2,062.75	£2,062.75

Total funding Allocations:

Antrim Lions Club Contribution	£3,125.50
Ballyclare Lions Club Contribution	£1,000.00
Clubs Contribution	£2,062.75
Council Contribution	£2,062.75
Total	£8251.00

It was reported that promotion of grants would be arranged through the PR and Communications team.

Moved by Councillor Michael
Seconded by Alderman Barr and

RESOLVED - that the Council approves the grants for defibrillators as set out above.

NOTED: the Director to bring an audit of current defibrillator provision within the Borough, the level of demand and future grant promotion plans to the Operations Committee for consideration.

ACTION BY: Ivor McMullan / Geraldine Girvan

9.14 CPRD/CD/2 PROVISION OF GENERALIST ADVICE SERVICES 2016/17

Members were reminded of the decision taken at the Council meeting in November 2015 to extend the Service Level Agreements (SLAs) with Antrim and Newtownabbey Citizen's Advice Bureaux by 3 months until 30 June 2016. This decision was taken in order to comply with the stipulation within the current SLAs that both parties are required to provide 6 months' notice of termination of the agreement.

Officers are currently developing a Terms of Reference; it had initially been intended that the tender would issue in February/March 2016 and that a new service provider would be in place to start delivery from 1 July 2016. However this process has been delayed due to uncertainty around key issues such as the additional Welfare Reform Funding for Generalist Advice Services, to be administered by Councils.

It was therefore proposed that the current Service Level Agreements with Antrim and Newtownabbey CABx be extended for a further 3 months to 30 September 2016. It was envisaged that the tender would now issue in May 2016 with the successful service provider in place to begin delivery from 1 October 2016.

Moved by Councillor Beatty
Seconded by Alderman Cosgrove and

RESOLVED - that the Council extends the current SLAs with Antrim and Newtownabbey CAB to 30 September 2016.

ACTION BY: Louise Moore

9.15 CPRD/CD/9 DSD LETTER OF OFFER- COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAMME 2016/17

Members were advised that correspondence had been received from the Department for Social Development (DSD) indicating that financial assistance totalling £201,554.50 was to be made available to the Council to deliver its annual 2016/17 Community Support Programme.

This award remains at the same level as the previous year and is split across two areas of work namely; Community Support General £128,985.50 and Advice Services £72,569.00.

Members were reminded that awards for 2016/17 under the Community Development Grant Aid Programme were reported in March. The total amount awarded was £164,191.64 of which the DSD contribution was £31,362.40

This amount will be drawn from the total amount available from DSD for Community Support General, £128,985.50, leaving a balance of £97,623.10 to support other areas of core work within the Community Support Programme such as Community Capacity Building and key events throughout the year.

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and

RESOLVED - that the Letter of Offer for financial assistance received from the Department for Social Development for the sum of £201,554.50 for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 be accepted.

ACTION BY: Louise Moore

9.16 ED/TOU/17 INTERNATIONAL O'NEILL SUMMER SCHOOL: REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP

It was reported that the International O'Neill Summer School was formed in 2005 to provide courses on the O'Neill family heritage. The School was originally held at Shane's Castle in Antrim for the first 5 years and was then taken on tour to other regions including France and America. The School is now working in partnership with Ulster University and The O'Neill Country Historical Society in Tyrone.

Students from the USA studying culture and heritage join the O'Neill Summer School for their first few days in Northern Ireland. Many of these are business students and the organisers of the Summer School plan to showcase a local company from the Borough each year during their stay in Antrim. Last year both The Mayor and Deputy Mayor welcomed American students to a tour of Chain Reaction Cycles and to a reception in Antrim Old Courthouse.

This year's O'Neill Summer School programme is taking place on Wednesday 29 June and includes a tour of Antrim Castle Gardens with lunch, a tour of Shane's Castle and a visit to Randalstown finishing with dinner at Truffles Restaurant and a presentation from Randox.

It was reported that organisers had requested that the Council considered a contribution of £250 towards the costs of the lunch at Antrim Castle Gardens.

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Clarke and

RESOLVED - that a contribution of £250 be made to the International O'Neill Summer School towards the cost of the lunch on Wednesday 29 June at Antrim Castle Gardens, provision for which exists in the agreed tourism budget for 2016-17.

ACTION BY: Paul Kelly

9.17 ED/ED/40 LOUGH NEAGH: CONFERENCE ON THE FUTURE MANAGEMENT OF THE LOUGH

Members were advised that in 2015 the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD) commissioned DTNI to test the feasibility of a community ownership model for Lough Neagh (privately owned by the Shaftsbury Estate). An intensive seven month programme of work followed including a conference held in Toome. The diverse range of stakeholder interests alongside the complexity of the issues around the management and control of the Lough raised a number of key questions which had to be addressed in the DTNI led investigation.

A further conference entitled 'Lough Neagh - The potential for Community Ownership' would be held in the Lough Neagh Discovery Centre on Friday 29 April 2016 (10am - 1pm) which would share the key findings and recommendations emerging from the investigation, the consultation and the subsequent report.

There would be no charge to attend the conference.

Moved by Councillor Lynch
Seconded by Councillor Michael and

RESOLVED - that the Council nominates any Members interested in attending the Lough Conference, as an approved duty, on Friday 29th April at the Lough Neagh Discovery Centre.

ACTION BY: Paul Kelly

Councillor Michael commended the volunteers, officers and local businesses who had all contributed to the collaborative clean up of Rea's Wood on the shores of Lough Neagh that had taken place on 23 April 2016.

9.18 ED/ED/40 LOUGH NEAGH LANDSCAPE PARTNERSHIP SCHEME: REQUEST FOR MATCH FUNDING

Members were reminded that the Council agreed, in principle, in July 2015 to provide the Lough Neagh Partnership (LNP) with up to a total of £146,620 in match funding for a Lough Neagh Landscape Partnership scheme over 5 years from April 2016 to March 2021, subject to a successful application to the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF).

The LNP made a presentation to the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee on 11 April confirming that the application to HLF had been approved and that a total grant of £2,494,980 had been awarded towards a range of projects that will benefit the 5 Councils that surround Lough Neagh (Antrim and Newtownabbey, Armagh Banbridge & Craigavon, Mid and East Antrim, and Lisburn and Castlereagh). The projects that would be delivered in the Antrim and Newtownabbey Council area by 2021 were as follows.

NAME OF PROJECT	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
'Bioblitz'	Biodiversity audit and recording programme
In search of the Cryptic Wood White	Butterfly recording project
Lough Neagh and Six Mile Water River	To create a map for Six Mile River and Lough Neagh
Archaeology project	Development of major archaeology programme including excavation research, skills, exhibition, recording, walks and talks, and conference
Heritage Signage scheme	Development of Lough Neagh heritage trail
Antrim Lough Shore Park Improvements	Public art/beach enhancement/visitor interpretation/audio trail
Barn Owl Project	Preservation of Barn Owls

A further condition of the Council's offer was that the other 4 Councils involved in the Landscape Partnership Scheme application confirm their match funding.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove
Seconded by Councillor Lynch and

RESOLVED: that the Council approves the following:-

1. to provide up to £146,620 to the Lough Neagh Landscape Partnership Scheme over 5 years from 2016 to 31 March 2021, subject to match funding being confirmed by Armagh Banbridge and Craigavon, Mid and East Antrim, and Lisburn and Castlereagh Borough Councils;
2. to allocate £33,550 of the total match funding to projects in the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council area in 2016-17, provision for which exists in the Economic Development budget;
3. The Council's match funding to be subject to a satisfactory annual review of performance by the project promoter.

NOTED: request from Councillor Brett for an integrated report on support for the organisation to include formalising all funding requests that come before Council.

ACTION BY: Paul Kelly

9.19 CPRD/CD/8 IPB INSURANCE PRIDE OF PLACE 2016 IN ASSOCIATION WITH CO-OPERATION IRELAND

Members were advised of The IPB Insurance, Co-operation Ireland Pride of Place Competition the purpose of which is to acknowledge the work carried out by communities throughout the entire island of Ireland. Entry to the competition was by way of Council nomination.

The competition recognises the work being done to create communities for tomorrow whilst respecting the heritage and culture of the past. It also pays

recognition to the efforts being made to create viable, vibrant and visible communities which impact and make a difference in peoples' lives.

This year there were 11 categories in total made up of 5 population categories, 3 single issue categories with designated themes and 3 non-population specific categories; Housing Estates, Islands and Coastal Communities and Urban Neighbourhoods.

The Council may nominate groups in up to a maximum of 5 categories with one entry only in any individual category. A list of all the categories was outlined below:

Population

1. 0-300
2. 300 -1000
3. 1000-2000
4. 2000-5,000
5. Over 5,000

Theme

6. Age Friendly Community Initiative
7. Community Enterprise Initiative
8. Communities Reaching Out Initiative

Non Population

9. Housing Estates
10. Islands and Coastal Communities
11. Urban Neighbourhoods.

To nominate a group, a short application form must be completed by the Council and submitted along with a short resume of the groups work and how it meets the entry criteria. Following assessment successful entrants will receive a large trophy and a cash prize of €1,000. Runners-up will also receive a trophy and a cash prize of €500. The entry fee per Council is £500 per entry, provision for which has been made in the Community Services budget. The closing date for applications is 6 May 2016. The awards ceremony would take place in November 2016, details of which had still to be confirmed.

There were a number of groups within the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council area which would be eligible to take part in this competition. Officers have compiled a list of eligible groups for nomination, a copy of which was circulated for Members' consideration.

Moved by Councillor Brett
Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and

RESOLVED - that the shortlisted groups by officers as circulated be entered into the IPB Insurance Pride of Place Competition 2016.

ACTION BY: Louise Moore

9.20 CD/PM/55 VOL 1 THREEMILE WATER PITCH DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

It was reported that in October 2014 the Council approved a proposal by Crusaders Football Club, 'in principle' to develop new sports facilities at the Threemilewater pitches. Part of this arrangement involved financial assistance of £233, 700, previously allocated for new changing facilities which would now be contributed to a capital scheme of £2.25 million approximately. Approval was also granted to allow the Club to submit a planning application which has subsequently been approved.

The main elements of the scheme include:

- 3G pitch with 250 seats and floodlighting
- Associated changing block and relaxation area
- Pitch side sprint track (2-3 lanes)
- Multi sports space including MUGA's
- Upgrading of the basketball and tennis area

Since this approval was granted the Club has identified an interim opportunity to relay its existing 4G pitch at Seaview which is due for replacement at Threemilewater. As detailed in the report, an independent condition study has indicated a lifespan of 2-3 years for the pitch carpet, therefore as a Council project this is not an economically viable option. Crusaders has therefore proposed that all works related to the relaying and all associated operational liabilities thereafter will be the responsibility of the Club. On a practical level this interim arrangement may be viewed as a forerunner to the major capital scheme and therefore may assist the Club to demonstrate their level of 'readiness' to proceed, when funding becomes available.

Members were aware that Abbey College currently used the Threemilewater pitches on a block booking basis. The pitch upon which the 4G will be re-laid, should the scheme proceed, would therefore be removed from this block booking and the cost adjusted, leaving the school free to enter into an agreement with Crusaders at no detriment. Outside of any community use hours to be agreed by the Council, the Club will use the pitch or hire it to other users.

Should Members wish to approve this interim arrangement it was proposed that it should be subject to the following conditions:

- a) Lease not exceeding 5 years.
- b) All works related to the relaying of the pitch, ongoing maintenance and liability to be the responsibility of Crusaders Football Club.
- c) Community usage, associated rates and management arrangements to be agreed.

Moved by Councillor Webb
Seconded by Alderman Cosgrove and

RESOLVED - that the Council proceed with the above interim arrangement with Crusaders subject to the conditions as outlined above.

ACTION BY: Majella McAlister

9.21 FI/PRO/QUO/62 NEW TOURISM BRAND FOR ANTRIM & NEWTOWNABBEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Members were advised that the Council's in-house design team had developed a new tourism brand to provide a distinctive identity for the Borough's tourism offer. The strapline for the brand is 'It's In Our Nature' reflecting the diverse and unique range of tourism experiences to inspire visitors to come to the Borough.

There were 3 themes associated with the new brand for Antrim & Newtownabbey:

1. **Outdoors & Nature** – so many things to see and do in the Borough have outdoors connection – gardens, parks and open spaces, fisheries, cycling, golfing, and walking
2. **History & Heritage:** historically important buildings and sites including Sentry Hill, Mossley Mill, The White House, Shane's Castle, Antrim Round Tower and The Holestone
3. **Loughs & Waterways** –the two loughs (Belfast Lough and Lough Neagh) and related parks and waterways are key features of the Borough both geographically and in terms of visitor appeal

These unique experiences are reflected in the new tourism logo:

- Loughs, water and the shoreline, the landscape, outdoor walks and trails are represented by the undulating curves.
- Nature is represented by a tree and the birds. Heritage is represented in the building form.
- The warm grey conveys heritage and blue conveys outdoors and water.

Key stakeholders in the local tourism industry will be encouraged to use the Council alongside their own brand logo's etc.

It was reported that officers would be arranging a launch of the tourism brand and would be contacting Members with an invitation.

Moved by Councillor McClelland
Seconded by Councillor Duffin and

RESOLVED - that the new tourism brand be approved.

ACTION BY: Paul Kelly

9.22 ST/T/268 CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF PERSONNEL & DEVELOPMENT AWARDS 2016

Members were advised that the Council's entry for the Most Effective Organisational Learning and Development Strategy Category in the

Chartered Institute of Personnel Development (CIPD) NI Awards 2016 has been shortlisted.

CIPD are the professional body for Human Resource Management and they have advised that the standard of entries this year was exceptional and for the Council to be shortlisted is an accolade in itself.

Category winners will be announced at the Gala Awards Dinner which will take place on Thursday 19 May 2016 at Titanic Belfast.

The cost to attend the Awards Dinner is £70 plus VAT per person. Subject to their availability, members may wish to consider nominating the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, the Chair and Vice Chair of the Policy and Governance Committee, or nominees, together with the appropriate officers from the Human Resources Team to attend as an approved duty.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove
Seconded by Councillor Brett and

RESOLVED - that the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chair and Vice Chair of the Policy and Governance Committee, or their nominees, together with the appropriate officers from the Human Resources Team attend as an approved duty.

ACTION BY: Andrea McCooke

9.23 MAYFIELD LINK - PROPOSED 40MPH SPEED LIMIT

It was reported that correspondence had been received from Transport NI request the Council's comments on a proposed increase in the speed limit on the Mayfield Link at Mallusk from 30mph to 40mph.

The 30mph speed limit was due to the system of street lighting but it was acknowledged that being a distributor road with very limited frontage development that a 40mph speed limit would better reflect the nature and layout of the road.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove
Seconded by Councillor Webb and

RESOLVED - that the Council respond to Transport NI highlighting road safety concerns and opposing the proposal to increase the speed limit from 30mph to 40mph at Mayfield Link.

ACTION BY: Member Services

9.24 AC/EV/3

GARDEN SHOW IRELAND

Members were reminded that it was approved at the October 2015 meeting of the Operations Committee to hold the 2016 Garden Show in Antrim Castle Gardens from Friday 6 May to Sunday 8 May 2016.

A number of operational arrangements in relation to the delivery of the show were also approved at this meeting including closure of the Castle Gardens main car park and over flow to vehicles and pedestrians (with the exception of blue badge holders) from Tuesday 3 May to Sunday 8th May inclusive. This was to accommodate safely show build. This closure ensures that visitors to the Gardens and heavy machine traffic, erection of marquees etc would be kept separate. The car park at the gates would remain open as will nearby car parks

As event planning reaches an advanced stage event organisers under guidance of their health and safety consultant are proposing amendments to the arrangements for on-site car parking as follows:

- Complete closure of the car park for the duration of the show with a designated area for blue badge holders established at Enkalon and free minibus transport to support this provided by South Antrim Community Transport in specially adapted vehicles. This was to facilitate the extended park and ride bus service operating for show visitors, which would be using the car park to drop off and collect show visitors frequently throughout the duration of the show.
- Extension of the car park closure until the end of Monday 9th May, to accommodate safe dismantling of show equipment and infrastructure when once again heavy machinery and vehicles would be moving in the area.

Moved by Councillor Hamill
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and

RESOLVED - that the report be noted.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay

9.25 G/MSMO/8 DOE: IMPLEMENTING A FRESH START - CLAUSE 65, ENGAGEMENT AND CONSULTATION

It was reported that correspondence had been received from the Department of the Environment advising that a consultation was currently open on changes to its guidance on consultation in the context of Clause 65, Engagement and Consultation.

The proposed changes aim to reduce policy consultations from 12 weeks to a maximum of eight weeks.

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Alderman Cosgrove and

RESOLVED - that the correspondence be noted.

NO ACTION

9.26 CE/OA/12 PARTNERSHIP PANEL FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

Members were advised of correspondence received from Mark H Durkan MLA, Minister of the Environment advising that the Partnership Panel meeting due to take place on 15 March 2016 had been postponed due to the forthcoming NI Assembly elections and associated purdah period.

It was reported that the next meeting would be held post-election when the new departments are functional and new Ministers appointed.

Moved by Councillor Webb
Seconded by Councillor Bingham and

RESOLVED - that the correspondence be noted.

NO ACTION

9.27 L/LEI/4 SUMMER SCHEMES

Members were advised that the Council offered a wide variety of offerings over the summer for children ranging in ages 4 to 18.

Steps had been taken to align booking processes, costs, advertising and marketing of such schemes and analysis had now taken place of the spread of offering across the Borough which includes theatre, sports, dance, arts, crafts and play etc.

The schemes would be advertised in the Council's Borough Life magazine which would be distributed from Monday 16 May 2016 along with promotion on the Council's website, social media, in centres and on banners and billboards throughout the Borough.

The schemes would then open for application online from Monday 23 May 2016 but provision would be made in the Centres for those who could not access online services or customers who may wish to avail of concession rates.

On completion a survey would be issued to measure the appropriateness and satisfaction of the schemes along with any suggestions for the future.

It was reported that feedback from this survey and analysis that had been gathered would be used to further improve and align future schemes.

Moved by Councillor Webb
Seconded by Councillor Beatty and

RESOLVED - that the report be noted.

ACTION BY: Caroline Douglas

9.28 D/PMC/110 VOI GRANGE LANE BRIDGE

Members were advised that clarification had been received from the Department of the Environment (DOE) in relation to available funding for the installation of a new bridge at Grange Lane, Mallusk.

The Minister has confirmed that in November 2014 correspondence, the total amount of funding available from the three departments involved; the Department for Regional Development (DRD), the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD) and the Department of the Environment (DOE) was £120,000. As of 31 March 2016, costs of £32,400 had been incurred, therefore the amount of funding still available for the project is £87,600.

It was reported that officers had explored the various options for the replacement bridge and would be meeting Departmental officials to discuss these in due course.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and

RESOLVED - that the report be noted.

ACTION BY: Majella McAlister

9.29 CE/GEN/40 GUIDANCE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT 2016 ONWARDS

Members were reminded that a draft consultation document, Draft Guidance for Local Government Performance Improvement 2016 Onwards, was previously published by the Department of the Environment on 10th December 2015 seeking views from consultees. This was to assist councils comply with performance improvement duties under the Local Government Act (NI) 2014 (the Act). Council responded to this consultation which ended on 25th February 2016.

The Department had issued revised guidance which has been amended to reflect the responses received during the consultation period.

The revised document reiterates that Councils must:

- 'Make arrangements' to perform their duty. They cannot be coerced;
- Seek continuously to ensure their improvement objectives remain relevant and that the best arrangements for delivering them are in place to do so;
- Set itself improvement objectives for each financial year;

- Link the community plan and the ongoing processes that underpin it, with council's improvement processes;
- Ensure that improvement objectives set, relate to improving functions and services to their communities and citizens;
- Undertake a consultation process relating to councils improvement objectives each financial year;
- Compare its performance, so far as is practicable, with the performance of other councils in the exercise;
- Use information collected under section 90 in relation to its statutory performance indicators and standards completed during 2015-2016 to establish baseline figures for 2017-2018 and subsequent years; &
- Publish an improvement plan as soon as practicable after the start of each financial year to which it relates (suggested date; the end of June).

It was reported that the revised guidance would be submitted for approval to the relevant Committee of the Department for Communities when it had been established after the Assembly election scheduled for May 2016. However it should be utilised by councils from 1 April 2016 until a final Committee approved version was issued by the Department.

Moved by Councillor Webb
Seconded by Councillor Duffin and

RESOLVED - that the report be noted.

ACTION BY: Helen Hall

INTERVAL

At this point there was a five minute recess from 8.05pm to 8.10pm with all those previously present returning to the Chamber.

10 A Motion in the name of Councillor Brian Duffin, seconded by Councillor Roisin Lynch, that -

"This Council supports the Prime Minister in his efforts to remain in Europe and in doing so Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council should write to the Prime Minister indicating same and furthermore writes to other Councils asking them to do likewise".

Alderman Cosgrove withdrew from the meeting during consideration of this item.

Moved by Councillor Duffin
Seconded by Councillor Lynch and

on the Motion being put to the meeting and a recorded vote having been requested by Councillor Hollis, Members voted as follows -

In favour of the Motion 9 Members viz	Against the Motion 18 Members viz	Abstentions 6 members viz
Aldermen - Burns and Swann Councillors - Cushman, Duffin, Goodman, Lynch, McClelland, McWilliam and Scott	Aldermen - Agnew, W Ball, Barr, DeCourcy, M Girvan and Smyth Councillors - A Ball, Beatty, Brett, Clarke, T Girvan, Hamill, Hogg, Hollis, Magill, Maguire, Montgomery and Ross	Councillors - Arthurs, Bingham, Kelso, Michael, Rea and Webb

RESOLVED - accordingly the Notice of Motion was declared fallen.

NO ACTION

11 A Motion in the name of Councillor Paul Michael, seconded by Councillor David Arthurs, that -

"This Council notes the achievement of Antrim's Mark Allen on winning the World Snooker Players Championship in Manchester on Sunday 27th March 2016 and that this Council host a reception to celebrate this achievement in Antrim".

The Mayor advised that although arrangements were being progressed for a Mayoral Reception for Mark Allen, he had no objection to this transferring to the Civic Functions staff if Members so wished.

Councillor Webb left the meeting during consideration of this item.

Moved by Councillor Michael
Seconded by Councillor Arthurs and

RESOLVED - that the above Notice of Motion be unanimously declared carried.

ACTION: Tracey White

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'

Moved by Councillor McWilliam
Seconded by Councillor Scott and

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

ITEMS IN COMMITTEE

9.30 IN COMMITTEE FI/PRO/TEN/15 TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF CLEANING PRODUCTS CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 MAY 2016 TO 30 APRIL 2017 (WITH AN OPTION BY THE COUNCIL TO EXTEND FOR A FURTHER TWO PERIODS OF 12 MONTHS)

It was reported that tenders for the Supply and Delivery of Cleaning Products were opened via the E-Sourcing NI Portal on 23 October 2015. The tender was divided into 8 Lots and the tenders were evaluated on a 3 stage basis as follows:

STAGE 1 – SELECTION STAGE

Tenders were evaluated using criteria such as mandatory exclusion, submission of COSHH data sheets, instructions for products, compliance with specification, contract management requirements, insurances and declarations and form of tender. A total of 11 suppliers tendered for the various Lots. All the tenders met the requirements of Stage 1 of the assessment and proceeded to Stage 2.

STAGES 2 & 3 – AWARD STAGE (Pricing & Sampling)

All tenders were evaluated on the basis of Cost for each Lot.

An 'in service trial' to demonstrate 'fit for purpose in use' was carried out on the lowest cost tenderers from Stage 2. The lowest cost bid was assessed first, and if it failed the next lowest cost bid was assessed and so on.

Details are as follows:

Description	Supplier	% Score Achieved
Lot 1 – Pool Items		
Aluminium Solphate	William Clements Ltd.	100%
Aquabrome (or equivalent)	Northern Cryogenics Ltd.	100%
Fragrance Eucalyptus Milk	Cleancare	100%
Simplex Fatsolve (or equivalent)	William Clements Ltd.	100%
Poly Aluminium Chloride	Northern Cryogenics Ltd.	100%
ACCU Tab (or equivalent)	OAK (CWE) Ltd.	100%
CO2 for ph Correction	Northern Cryogenics Ltd.	100%
Lot 2 – Laundry & Dishwashing	Source Ltd.	100%
Lot 3 – Washroom	Bunzl McLaughlin	68.99%
Lot 4 – Kitchen	Hypro	86.13%
Lot 5 – Disinfectant & Sanitiser	Bunzl McLaughlin	100%
Lot 6 – Floorcare	Bunzl McLaughlin	86.70%
Lot 7 – Carpet & Upholstery Care	Hypro	100%
Lot 8 – Miscellaneous	Hypro	93.82%

Moved by Councillor Brett
Seconded by Councillor Magill and

RESOLVED - that the tenders for the supply and delivery of cleaning products, detailed above, be approved for the contract period.

ACTION BY: Julia Clarke

9.31 IN COMMITTEE FI/PRO/TEN/16 TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SACKS & BAGS CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 MAY 2016 TO 30 APRIL 2017 (WITH AN OPTION BY THE COUNCIL TO EXTEND FOR A FURTHER TWO PERIODS OF 12 MONTHS)

It was reported that tenders for the Supply and Delivery of Sacks & Bags were opened via the E-Sourcing NI Portal on 23 October 2015. The tenders were evaluated on a 3 stage basis for specified items as follows:

STAGE 1 – SELECTION STAGE

Tenders were evaluated using criteria such as mandatory exclusion, compliance with specification, contract management requirements, insurances and declarations and form of tender. A total of 11 suppliers tendered for the various sacks and bags. All the tenders met the requirements of Stage 1 of the assessment and proceeded to Stage 2.

STAGE 2 – AWARD STAGE (Price)

All tenders were evaluated on the basis of Cost for each Item.

STAGE 3 – AWARD STAGE (Sample)

An 'in service trial' to demonstrate 'fit for purpose in use' was carried out on the lowest cost tenders from Stage 2. The lowest cost bid was assessed first, and if it failed the next lowest cost bid was assessed and so on.

Details are as follows:

Item Description	Supplier	% Score Achieved
Black Waste Plastic Sack (180 gauge)	Arco Ltd.	100%
Black Waste Plastic Sack (150 gauge)	Arco Ltd.	91.67%
Brown Paper Sacks	WT Robson Ltd.	77.10%

Moved by Councillor Brett
Seconded by Councillor Magill and

RESOLVED - that the tenders for the supply and delivery of sacks and bags, detailed above, be approved for the contract period.

ACTION BY: Julia Clarke

9.32 IN COMMITTEE F1/PRO/TEN/46 TENDER FOR PLUMBING WORKS TERM CONTRACT

It was reported that the tender for Plumbing Works Term Contract was awarded at Council on 21 March 2016. Subsequently the 1st ranked tenderer withdrew from the contract. A resolution was for all remaining contractors to be ranked again according to the changes.

A revised table reflecting updated rankings was as follows:

Rank	Contractor	Estimated Annual Cost £ using Appendix 1 Evaluation of Rates Matrix in The Tender Document * (£) (excl. VAT)	Total Score %
1	JMC Mechanical & Construction Ltd	121,050.00	92.00
2	Precision	158,525.00	83.45
3	Newline Mechanical Services Ltd	170,830.00	71.60
4	Source Air Conditioning (NI) Ltd	195,025.00	67.45

- Quantities and material values were for evaluation purposes only.

Moved by Councillor Brett
Seconded by Councillor Magill and

RESOLVED - that

- For contracts up to £2999.99 (excl VAT), having achieved the highest score of 92.00%, the tender submitted by JMC Mechanical & Construction Ltd be accepted for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2018 (with an option by the Council to extend for a further period of one year subject to review and performance). However, the Council reserves the right to seek quotations for these works from the contractors listed on the framework below;**
- For contracts between £3000.00 (excl VAT) and £29,999.99 (excl VAT), competitive quotations be sought from the top four highest scoring contractors appointed to the framework for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2018 (with an option by the Council to extend for a further period of one year subject to review and performance) namely:**

JMC Mechanical & Construction Ltd
Precision
Newline Mechanical Services Ltd
Source Air Conditioning (NI) Ltd

ACTION BY: Alistair Mawhinney

9.33 IN COMMITTEE CE/STC/88 ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

Members were reminded that an Organisation Structure was approved at the January 2015 meeting of the Council.

A report relating to the structure for Leisure Section was tabled for Members' consideration.

Moved by Councillor McWilliam
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and

RESOLVED - that the revised structure for the Leisure Section as circulated be approved subject to consultation with staff and Trade Unions.

ACTION BY: Andrea McCooke

MOTION TO PROCEED 'OUT OF COMMITTEE'

Moved by Councillor Beatty
Seconded by Councillor Magill and

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

Councillor Scott highlighted arrangements for a "Darkness into Light Charity Walk/Run", the event commencing at 4.15am at V36, Valley Park on Saturday 7 May 2016. He expressed appreciation to the Mayor, Council officers, Lighthouse (Duncairn Gardens) and PIETA House (Suicide Awareness Centre in Dublin) for their support, highlighting that all donations would be welcome.

The Mayor conveyed best wishes to Councillors Lynch and Michael and also his three political party colleagues in the forthcoming Assembly Elections.

There being no further business the Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting concluded at 9.12pm.

MAYOR

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