



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE
COMMUNITY PLANNING AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE HELD IN MOSSLEY MILL ON
MONDAY 12 DECEMBER 2016 AT 6.30 PM**

- In the Chair** : Councillor P Brett
- Committee Members Present** : Alderman W Ball
Councillors - A Ball, J Blair, L Clarke, T Girvan, N Kells,
N Kelly, A Logue, R Lynch, J Montgomery and V
McWilliam
- Non Committee Members present** : Councillors N McClelland and W Webb
- Officers Present** : Director of Community Planning and Regeneration -
M McAlister
Head of Property and Building Services - B Doonan
Head of Economic Development - P Kelly
Head of Capital Development - R Hillen
ICT Officer - A Cole
Head of Finance – J Balmer
Management Accountant – R Murray
Senior Admin Officer - S McAree

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed Members to the December meeting of the Community Planning & Regeneration Committee and reminded all present of the audio recording protocol.

1 APOLOGIES

Alderman Cosgrove
Councillors Michael and Scott

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3.1 PBS/BC/3 STREET NAMING PROPOSAL

Correspondence had been received on 16 November 2016 from Colin Graham Residential on behalf of Beechview Developments, regarding the naming of a residential development at Glenwell Road, Newtownabbey. The development is for 35 dwellings, a mix of detached, semi detached and townhouses. The 3 development names and the developer's rationale have been submitted as outlined below with a site location map and site layout plan enclosed.

- 1 – Glenwell Mews
- 2 – Glenwell Gate
- 3 – Glenwell Court

Should the Committee not wish to select one of the above names, the matter will be referred back to the developer via the Building Control section for further consideration.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Kelly and agreed that

the Committee selects Glenwell Mews as the name for this development.

ACTION BY: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

3.2 CPR/PBS/BC/1 AUTHORISATION OF OFFICERS FOR BUILDING CONTROL FUNCTIONS

The Council had previously authorised existing and new Officers within the Building Control section to act on behalf of the Council. As some of the functions within the section are statutory all officers involved in the works need to be authorised to act for the Council should legal proceedings be required.

The Council had recently recruited a Building Control Surveyor to fill a vacant post within the structure who required to be authorised to act on behalf of the Council.

Authorisation of Building Control Surveyor

In exercising of the powers conferred on, Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council, it is recommended that the under noted officer has been appointed to act on behalf of the Council and authorised by the Council to act under:

- Article 11 of the Building Regulations (N.I.) Order 1979, to enter premises at any reasonable time, for the purpose of, among others ascertaining possible contravention's of the Order, or of the Building Regulations.
- The Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847 – Section 75 as adopted by the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 – Section 39 (Ruinous and Dangerous

Buildings) The Public Health Acts Amendments 1907 – Section 30 (Dangerous Places to be Repaired or Enclosed).

- The Energy Performance of Buildings (EPC) (Certificates and Inspections) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008 as amended 2014.
- The Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 Article 11 Street names and numbering of buildings.
- To act as an agent of Land and Property Services for data collection purposes

Chris McGhee – Building Control Surveyor

Proposed by Councillor Girvan

Seconded by Councillor Kells and agreed that

the authorisation of the aforementioned Officer to undertake the duties as specified on behalf of the Council be approved.

ACTION BY: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

3.3 CPR/PBS/BC/2 LAND AND PROPERTY SERVICES FEEDBACK REPORT ON THE COMMERCIAL VACANCY SURVEY WORK UNDERTAKEN SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016

Members were reminded of the strands of work the Building Control section undertakes in partnership with the Land and Property Services (LPS) section of Department of Finance. Building Control has recently completed a tranche of commercial vacancy surveys on behalf of LPS and has received favourable feedback. LPS advises that the additional rates income from this exercise, which will be allocated to Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council is £40,965.92.

Proposed by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the partnership work with Land and Property Services be continued.

ACTION BY: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

3.4 CP/CD/112 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT AID PROGRAMME 2016/17 -FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS (SMALL GRANTS)

Members were reminded of the Small Grants Programme which was agreed by the Council in October 2014 as part of the new Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council Community Development Grant Aid Programme.

The purpose of the Small Grants Programme is to provide financial assistance to groups within the Borough of up to a maximum of £500 towards seeding costs and/or insurance or a small activity and/or insurance. Members are advised that groups who apply for a small grant are not permitted to apply for any other funding available under the wider Community Development Grant Aid Programme during the course of the 2016/17 financial year.

To be successful in securing a small grant groups applying must score a minimum of 50% in their application assessment and all proposed awards are subject to the receipt of all relevant supporting documentation otherwise the offer of funding will be withdrawn.

During the month of November 2 applications were received requesting a total of £997.15 and were assessed by Officers as outlined below:

Group Name/Project Promoter	Project Description/Title	Scored Percentage	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
Mossley Heritage and Development Association	Small Activity Grant for Public and Employers Liability Insurance.	73%	£500	£500
Shogun Ju Jitsu International Ireland	Small Activity Grant to support First Aid Training & associated costs.	40%	£497.15	£0

Members were advised that the total budget available for Small Grants for the 2016/2017 financial year was £9,500. The total amount of financial assistance awarded to date, including the above successful application, was £7,252.73 leaving a balance of £2,247.27 to fund future applications that might be submitted to the Council during the remainder of the year.

Proposed by Councillor Girvan
 Seconded by Councillor Lynch and agreed that

the Small Grant award recommendations be approved.

ACTION BY: Louise Moore, Head of Community Planning

3.5 ED/REG/18 A GROWTH DEAL FOR BELFAST

Belfast City Council recently launched a major initiative, 'A Growth Deal for Belfast', to maximise the economic potential of the city region for the benefit of Northern Ireland as a whole. The advocacy document was launched in Westminster on 16 November with the support of local MPs and championed by a number of prominent business representatives. The content of the document is summarised in this report. Belfast believes that its economic success will impact directly and indirectly on the prosperity of its neighbouring Councils, including Antrim and Newtownabbey and beyond. Belfast is lagging behind other UK cities and not achieving its potential due to a deficit in local development powers. There is international evidence to demonstrate that cities perform better where there is more devolution and less centralisation, for example in Bilbao, Pittsburgh and Malmo where economic decline has been reversed as a result of greater powers and decision making at the local level.

While local government in NI has recently benefited from additional Planning, Community Planning and economic development powers, Councils currently have much less powers than those in England and Scotland. In particular, Councils here do not have responsibility for the physical regeneration of cities and town centres, considered to be essential to effective 'place-making' functions which have been with local authorities in other UK cities for decades. In Wales, for instance, the Cardiff Capital Region (CCR) City Deal is an agreement between the UK government, the Welsh government and the 10 leaders of the local CCR. It includes £1.2 billion of investment in the Cardiff Capital Region's infrastructure through a 20-year Investment Fund. It also includes the creation of a non-statutory Regional Transport Authority to co-ordinate transport planning and investment, in partnership with the Welsh Government. Under the terms of Greater Manchester's city deal, the local authority can retain a proportion of an enhanced business tax take brought in as a result of boosted productivity for investment in infrastructure and economic development.

A fundamental tenet in The Growth Deal for Belfast is that regeneration powers need to sit alongside the Council's planning functions to effectively bring about place-based physical, economic and social regeneration at the local level. The ability of Councils to regenerate is constrained by the fact the NI Executive retains responsibility for skills, employability, business development and also transportation. Capability is further constrained by the lack of access to innovative forms of financing and revenue raising that Councils in Great Britain can harness.

Oxford Economics has estimated that better integration of public spend in Belfast alone could save between £129m and £257m each year with the savings reinvested in the growth of the city region. By providing focused capital to enable Councils to borrow more, or enabling greater retention of taxes, Councils would be motivated to invest in their local economies and social infrastructure.

A Growth Deal for Belfast advocates 4 key step changes required to equip the Council with the tools necessary to bring about major transformation; these are:

- Creating a single mechanism for regeneration and place-making powers to promote new and inclusive growth: this to include Enterprise/Special Action Zones and formal finance/performance based partnerships between Councils, the NI Executive and the Treasury;
- Focusing on the skills and employability of local residents, targeting young people and the vulnerable; more effective local engagement with the business eco-system to support skills, innovations and export sales;
- Improving connectivity and integrating public transport not just within the city but also enabling better connections with all of NI, in particular the unsatisfactory rail times between Belfast and Londonderry and the two main airports, through effective local input into decision making;

- Accelerating the modernisation of local infrastructure through access to alternative and innovative financing instruments and joint venture partnerships with the private sector for example, to boost the development of Grade A office accommodation facilitated by the fast-tracking of planning applications.

It was reported that the Council had been asked to indicate its support for 'A Growth Deal for Belfast'.

Proposed by Councillor Lynch

Seconded by Councillor Kells and agreed that

the Council supports 'A Growth Deal for Belfast'

ACTION BY: Paul Kelly, Head of Economic Development

3.6 CPR/PBS/PS/8 REPLACEMENT CLOCK IN WHITEABBEY VILLAGE

Members were reminded of a clock attached to the end of a row of terrace houses in Whiteabbey Village adjacent to the Shore Road. The clock was removed recently as it was in a dangerous state and had not been in working order for some time. This clock had been a key feature of the Whiteabbey Village and Shore Road area for many years and was replaced by legacy Newtownabbey Borough Council in 1994. It had been maintained by the Council since its replacement.

Officers have researched options for the provision of a replacement clock in a number of locations as detailed below, maps are enclosed (appendix 1) to show the potential locations. All options detailed are for 2 sided clocks with faces illuminated, the clock case to be glass reinforced plastic with full internal steel bracing to both sides of the clock. The clock posts will be powder coated 'marine grade' stainless steel. The prices quoted are inclusive of purchase, installation, installation of feeder pillars if required and NIE supply.

Option 1

Provision of a Projection clock in a similar location to the previous clock but most likely on side gable wall as opposed to front gable wall, subject to approval both of the NIHE and the current tenant. The installation and ongoing maintenance of this clock would be very problematic and more expensive than either of the other options given the location and that it necessitates a lane closure of the adjacent road to erect and maintain it. Total indicative cost to purchase and install £[REDACTED].

Option 2

Provision of a Pillar clock in the carpark which the Council now owns in Whiteabbey village. Total indicative cost £[REDACTED]. This option creates an attractive visual feature however it will require space within the car park, which will not be available for parking.

Option 3

Provision of a Pillar clock (picture enclosed as Appendix 3) on the shore side of the Shore Road adjacent to where the Christmas Tree is currently sited. Total indicative cost £[REDACTED]. As with Option 2, this location will create an attractive and visual feature which will be viewed right along the Shore Road.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Montgomery and agreed that

Option 3 be approved.

ACTION BY: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

3.7 CP/CD/116 WELFARE REFORM SUPPORT PROGRAMME

Members were reminded that it had been agreed at the Council meeting in November 2016 to accept the offer of £44,769.76 additional funding from the Department for Communities (DFC) to deliver the Welfare Reform Support Project (WRSP) which went live on 1 November 2016. The Project would be delivered by regional Citizens Advice NI, Advice NI and the Law Centre NI. A copy of the first Welfare Reform Communications Bulletin issued by the three agencies was enclosed for members' information.

Members were further reminded that the Council was required to administer this additional funding to frontline advice providers through the Community Support Programme. The overall aim of the Project is to ensure that adequate training for bureau staff was provided and that the current service was equipped to deal with the expected increase in client enquiries in order that those most affected by the forthcoming changes to the benefits system would have additional access to skilled independent advice provision.

As previously reported the WRSP has 2 key elements relevant to frontline providers as follows:

Welfare Reform Readiness Programme to support existing frontline advice providers to provide cover whilst staff undertake relevant training and to enable them to employ additional staff to deal with a potential increase in related enquiries-£27,369.76.

Welfare Reform Training consisting of six Welfare Reform related courses required by all frontline advisers and volunteers-£17,400
Citizens Advice Antrim and Newtownabbey has submitted a detailed proposal for a total of £44,769 outlining how this funding allocation will be utilised, a copy was enclosed for members' consideration. Members are advised that this funding will be vouched in full as is the case with other Community Support Programme funding.

Proposed by Councillor Lynch
Seconded by Councillor Kells and agreed that

the Council approves the proposal submitted by Citizens Advice Antrim and Newtownabbey which provides details of how the additional Welfare Support funding will be utilised.

ACTION BY: Elaine Manson, Community Services and Tackling Deprivation Manager

3.8 CE/GEN/17 DISPOSAL OF LAND AT LARCH GROVE, NEWTOWNABBEY

The Council was made aware of the disposal of land at Larch Grove via correspondence from Land & Property Services, a copy of which was enclosed. As there was no identified need for this land from a Council perspective, a nil return was submitted.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.9 CP/GEN/9 FLOURISH! INTER CHURCHES SUICIDE PREVENTION INITIATIVE

Members were advised that Flourish Inter-Churches Suicide Prevention initiative formally started in 2013. Flourish aims to support churches to develop a focused and shared approach to addressing the needs of vulnerable people and people affected by suicide and to develop and provide appropriate training and good practice guidelines for clergy, church leaders and pastoral teams. Flourish is a partnership between Lighthouse Ireland and clergy from across churches in Northern Ireland. This initiative has been developed in partnership with and supported by the Public Health Agency.

The enclosed report sets out the background to the development and achievements of *Flourish* during the period April 2013-March 2016.

A new Suicide Prevention Strategy is being developed by Department of Health (DOH) to define the aims, objectives and priority actions for the promotion of mental and emotional health and wellbeing and suicide prevention in Northern Ireland. Protect Life 2: A draft strategy for suicide prevention was released for consultation by Department of Health in September 2016

It will focus on building the mental and emotional resilience of the whole population and of specific "raised risk" groups so that people can improve their ability to adapt and recover from adverse circumstances or events.

According to the WHO (2014) report Preventing suicide: a global imperative: Suicides are preventable. Communities play a critical role in suicide prevention. They can provide social support to vulnerable individuals and engage in follow-up care, fight stigma and support those bereaved by suicide.

The former Protect Life: Northern Ireland Suicide Prevention Strategy 2012-March 2014 (June 2012) highlighted the important role of community-led suicide prevention and bereavement support services. The refreshed strategy highlighted the main findings and recommendations of a study 'Dealing with Suicide - the needs of clergy in providing pastoral care' March 2009.

The main findings of this research were as follows:

- Clergy feel that tackling suicide is a major issue and that faith-based organisations should be involved in tackling it.
- Clergy generally lack any training as part of ministry for dealing with mental illness and suicide and have little awareness of advice and support services for mental health problems experienced by congregation members and others. They indicated that they would benefit by attending training on mental illness and suicide, but are concerned about peer perceptions of inadequacy, perceived hostility from secular organisations and lack of time for these activities.
- Theological perspectives on suicide and the sanctity of life, while still crucially important to clergy, are not a deterrent to offering compassionate pastoral care.
- Clergy are often unsure about how to approach a family following suicide. The importance of careful and sensitive choice of language was stressed and the fear of upsetting or offending families through a misjudged remark is particularly worrying.
- Most clergy feel that the best response they can offer to families is 'to be there' and offer a 'passive' response. Although religion and spirituality can be comforting, a religion-couched message to families bereaved through suicide was regarded as sometimes unwanted and unhelpful.
- An inter-faith dialogue and response to dialogue is both desirable and possible. Much interfaith connection currently exists and was thought useful, but for some clergy there must be recognition that the beliefs and value systems within different faith groups preclude a straightforward, homogenous response to suicide.

It was reported that it was this context that had focussed attention on the need to provide support to enable such early intervention by religious/faith leaders and that the Flourish initiative was developed.

Proposed by Councillor Kells

Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.10 CD/PM/14 ANTRIM FORUM & VALLEY PARK HOCKEY PITCH RESURFACING WORKS

At the Council meeting in May 2016, Council agreed to proceed with the replacement of the Antrim Forum and Valley Park hockey pitch surfaces and associated works.

The tendered assessment total of £342,498.80 (excl. VAT) from Tony Patterson Sports Grounds Ltd was approved.

In addition a client contingency sum of £25,000 was approved to cover possible additional drainage works at the Antrim Forum pitch, giving a total budget for works and professional fees of £390,323.80.

SCOPE

The scope of the project included the following:

- Replacement of synthetic carpets and shock pads on both pitches
- Replacement of drainage system at Antrim Forum pitch
- Painting of fencing around pitches and installation of new mesh panels
- Ancillary works

PROJECT PERFORMANCE

Programme:

Work commenced on both sites on 4 July 2016, with an original handover date for the Antrim Forum of the 2 September and 8 September for the Valley pitch. Due to a manufacturing fault with the carpet at the Antrim Forum, and poor weather conditions, the handover for the Valley pitch was completed on 29th September, and the 13 October for the Antrim Forum.

Cost:

The outturn cost for the project including works and fees is £385,816.23. This is £4,507.57 (1.15 %) below the approved budget.

The following additional items were completed within this sum, which added value to the project.

- Repairs/improvements to existing spectator fencing
- Carpeting of kickboards
- Repairs to drainage

Due to the late completion of the Antrim Forum pitch, Capital Development Officers negotiated with the contractor to install blue boundary/perimeter surfacing at no additional cost to the Council. Photographs of completed works are attached.

Customer Satisfaction

Capital Development has sought satisfaction feedback from the Client, and the response indicates a high satisfaction level on the facilities provided, including contract performance.

Proposed by Councillor Kells

Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.11 CE/STC/SC/31 TRANSFER OF REGENERATION POWERS TO LOCAL COUNCILS

Members were reminded of the recent announcement that Regeneration Powers would not transfer from the Department for Communities to local Councils. The enclosed letters from the Minister and the Director of the Regional Development office (DfC) outlined the Ministers rationale for this decision.

Officers are currently liaising with Departmental officials regarding future regeneration projects over the next 3-4 years which would benefit the Borough and will provide an update to Members in due course.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

Various members registered their disappointment with the recent announcement that Regeneration powers would not transfer to local Councils.

NOACTION

3.12 ED/ED/GEN/2 GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK: YOUNG ENTERPRISE SCHOOLS MASTERCLASSES

Members were reminded that 'Global Entrepreneurship Week' took place from 14-20 November 2016. As part of the week the Council delivered a series of masterclasses in collaboration with Young Enterprise to primary, secondary and special education needs schools across the Borough.

The targets for the masterclasses were to deliver 5 workshops to a minimum of 340 school pupils from local primary and secondary schools in the Borough.

The primary masterclasses proved very popular with 4 events delivered over two days at Mossley Mill. 536 primary 6 pupils from 16 primary schools from across Antrim and Newtownabbey participated. Pupils were introduced to the concept of entrepreneurship using a variety of practical and interactive tools to demonstrate how businesses can collaborate through supply chains to create jobs for the local economy. The students had the opportunity to design a new juice carton and are currently submitting photographs of their designs which will be placed on both the Council and the Young Enterprise websites.

The schools involved over the two days were:

Monday am

- The Thompson PS Ballyclare 24 students
- Ballyclare PS Ballyclare 77 students
- St Bernard's PS Newtownabbey 24 students
- Sixmile Integrated PS Antrim 10 students

Monday pm

- Mount St Michael's PS Randalstown 67 students
- St Bernard's PS Newtownabbey 51 students

Tuesday am

- St Mary's on the Hill PS Newtownabbey 42 students
- Groggan PS Randalstown 20 students
- Tildarg PS Ballyclare 12 students
- St James' PS Newtownabbey 30 students
- St MacNissi's PS Newtownabbey 26 students
- Straid PS Ballyclare 8 students

Tuesday pm

- Crumlin Integrated PS Crumlin 23 students
- Tir na Nog PS Ballyclare 10 students
- St Joseph's PS Crumlin 75 students
- Thornfield House School Jordanstown 16 students
- St Oliver Plunkett PS Toomebridge 21 students

The third day of activities focused on the Digital industry where 87 students from 3 secondary schools - Ballyclare High School, Hill Croft School and St Benedict's College were challenged to create a new App for the 'Internet of Things'.

Students heard from guest speakers Jill Robb, Digital Marketing Director for Origin Digital and Aine Kane, Programme Executive Enterprise and Awards, The Prince's Trust.

Three awards were presented on the day for the most enthusiastic team member, the Best Presentation and Best Idea and each school received an award.

Proposed by Councillor Kells

Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

officers be congratulated and the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.13 PBS/BC/2 BUILDING CONTROL MATTERS FOR THE PERIOD 1- 31 OCTOBER 2016

Building Regulations

The following submissions under Regulation 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13 of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 were received.

Applications

Full Applications – 101

Building Notices – 127

Regularisation Certificate applications – 64

Recommendations

Approvals – 40

Rejected – 65

Regularisation Certificate

89 Regularisation Certificates issued under Regulation 13 of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended).

Building Notice

103 Completion Certificates issued on Applications received under Building Notices.

Inspections

A total of 817 Site Inspections were carried out, these include both interim and statutory inspections as required by Regulation 12 of the Building Regulations.

Commencements and Completions

273 Applications commenced.

213 Applications completed.

Property Certificates

A search was carried out for outstanding notices under Building Regulations, on 240 property enquiries from Solicitors.

Income for OCTOBER 2016

Plan Fees Received for Month	£17414.50
Inspection Fees Invoiced for Month	£34314.69
Building Notice Fees Received for Month	£15021.00
Regularisation Fees Received for Month	£8064.00
Property Certificate Fees Received for Month	<u>£16260.00</u>
Total	£91074.19

Proposed by Councillor Kells

Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.14

CD/PM/34

**COMPLETION REPORT FOR CARMONEY CEMETERY EAST
EXTENSION**

Members were reminded at the Council Meeting in August 2016 approval was granted to proceed with the development works at Carnmoney Cemetery East for new burial provision situated along the northwest boundary with the total estimated budget for works and professional fees of £51,635. This report provides an update on the current status.

SCOPE

The scope of the works included the following:

- Site clearance of buried rubble and deep tree roots
- Removal and importation of soil
- Provision of additional burial plots including plinths (approx. 100 no.)
- Provision of internal service/pedestrian footpath and associated drainage

PROJECT PERFORMANCE

Works began on site on 19 September 2016 with an anticipated programme due to complete in early December 2016.

Whilst unforeseen site elements were encountered during the course of the works the project was completed within programme and handed over to the Cemetery Management on Wednesday 26 October 2016. (see photos in Appendix A Contractor performance has been excellent.

This extension to the Cemetery is now ready for future burials which are estimated to commence in January/February 2017, following completion of the vesting process.

COST:

The outturn cost for this project is as noted below:

Total approved budget	£51,635.00
Final Account	£38,956.39
Professional/Statutory Fees	<u>£ 2,300.00</u>
Total Project Outturn Cost	£41,256.39

The project has been delivered below budget by **£10,378.61 (20%)**

Proposed by Councillor Kells

Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.15 CPR/PBS/BC/1 LAND AND PROPERTY SERVICES STATISTICS FOR HOUSING COMMENCEMENTS AND COMPLETIONS

Building Control send a range of monthly statistical reports to Land and Property Services relating to building regulations activity. On a quarterly basis they publish the findings from these report and the latest version can be found on the following link <https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/topics/statistics-and-research/new-dwelling-statistics>.

The tables highlighting the numbers of new houses commencements and completions under the Building Regulations for each of the 11 Council areas is enclosed for member's information.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.16 CP/CP/3 DEA FUNDING PROGRAMME

Members were reminded of the District Electoral Area (DEA) Funding programme which had allocated £100,000 for DEA projects in the current financial year. Should projects not be completed by 31 March 2016, the funding would roll forward into 2017/18. A schedule of projects was agreed by Members in July and was reviewed at the Members' workshop in September and reported to Committee in October.

A progress report detailing the implementation of the projects and programmes in each DEA is enclosed for members' information. Officers have confirmed that projects remain within budget and on schedule.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.17 CD/PM/19 GATEWAY DEVELOPMENT LOUGHSHORE PARK PLAY AREA

Members were reminded that in February 2016 the final concept for the Gateway Building was agreed and a number of other items such as public art, a bandstand and a play area at the Loughshore, Antrim, all within the budget of £ [REDACTED]. Within the total budget a sum of £ [REDACTED] including design fees is included for the play area. This report provides an update on the current status.

A community workshop was held in May 2016 and the theme chosen for the playpark given its location was a nautical based theme. A planning application is being prepared with the view to making a submission in December 2016.

Procurement of a Design Consultant is underway and initial design concepts will be available by the end of January 2017.

A draft programme for the project is as follows:-

Initial Designs	January 2017
Detailed Designs	March 2017
Tender for the works	April/ May 2017
Construction Works	June - August 2017

Proposed by Councillor Kells
 Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that
the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.18 D/CD/70 COMMUNITY PLANNING & REGENERATION SECTION - PARTNERSHIP MINUTES

Members were advised that the quarterly update Partnership Minutes as listed below can be viewed in the new electronic folder called "**Partnership Minutes for Members Information**" on your I pads.

Community Development		
File Ref	Date of Meeting	Name of Partnership
D/Gen/91	9 August 2016	Joint Citizens Advice Bureau
D/CSP/48	27 July 2016	PCSP Partnership
	28 Sept 2016	
	21 Sept 2016	
D/DP/67	9 August 2016	Rathcoole Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership
CP/CD/41	-	Joint Community Centre Advisory Committee
D/DP/67	-	Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership
CP/GEN/5	28 June 2016	Community Planning Partnership

Economic Development		
File Ref	Date of Meeting	Name of Partnership
ED/MI/250	10 June 2016	GROW Local Action Group Meeting
	9 Sept 2016	
	7 October 16	

Tourism, Town Centres		
File Ref	Date of Meeting	Name of Partnership
ED/TC/5	-	Glengormley Town Teams
ED/TC/5	-	Ballyclare Town Teams

Proposed by Councillor Kells
 Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the Partnership Minutes be noted.

NO ACTION

3.19 ED/ED/10 POST-PROGRAMME EVALUATION OF STAR 2 AND BRICKS & CLICKS

Members were reminded that the Council offers the 'Bricks and Clicks' and the STAR 2 programmes to promote new businesses and assist existing businesses to grow. An evaluation has since been completed of the Bricks and Clicks and STAR programmes that the Council delivered from October 2015 to March 2016.

The 'Bricks and Clicks' programme recruited 10 local prospective new retail start-ups from across the Borough. This was considered to be a more difficult programme to recruit for, given that it targeted pre-start business ideas, but the offer was very well received and the programme proved to be highly valued. 'Bricks and Clicks' provided 24.5 hours of one-to-one mentoring, a bursary of up to £500 per participant to support start-up costs and 4 training workshops, along with a bespoke business plan for each. Test trading opportunities and best practice visits were incorporated into the programme, and proved a popular feature.

Before the end of the programme, six of the businesses were trading on a full-time basis, and two (plus one pending) had occupied commercial premises within the Borough. Progress since the programme was completed remains encouraging and one business has taken on a full time employee.

STAR 2 recruited 20 local businesses from the services, tourism and retail sectors from across the Borough, and provided specialist business advice through workshops, mystery shops, World Host training and tailored mentoring support. The post-programme evaluation indicates that a total of 20 new jobs (7 full-time and 13 part-time) have been created as a result of the programme.

Feedback from both programmes has been very positive and a new round of 'Bricks and Clicks' and STAR 3 programmes have since commenced to be delivered by the end of March 2017.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.20 FI/FIN/11 DRAFT ESTIMATES UPDATE 2017/18

Members were reminded that an update on the 2017/18 Estimates was presented to the Policy & Governance meeting in November. This update outlined that detailed reports would be presented to the relevant committees in December. A detailed report on the 2017/18 Estimates for the Community Planning & Regeneration Department is enclosed for Members' information.

Hard copies of the detailed report shall be available at the meeting, or by calling into Members' Services at either the Antrim Civic Centre or Mossley Mill.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Clarke and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.21 STREET NAMING PROPOSAL

Correspondence was received on 7 December 2016 from Patrick Morwood on behalf of Thralcot Homes Ltd., regarding the naming of a residential development at Monkstown Road, Newtownabbey. The development is for 18 units, a mix of detached dwellings and apartments. The three development names and the developer's rationale have been submitted as outlined below with a site location map and site layout plan enclosed.

- 1 – Chamberlain Mews
- 2 – Knockbourne Lane
- 3 – Macdonnells Lane

Should the Committee not wish to select one of the above names, the matter will be referred back to the developer via the Building Control section for further consideration.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Montgomery and agreed that

the Committee selects Chamberlain Mews for the name for this development.

ACTION BY: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

3.22 AC/EV/7 THE ENCHANTED WINTER GARDEN 2016 CAR PARKING

Members were reminded that The Enchanted Winter Garden 2016 event was being held in Antrim Castle Garden from Thursday 8 until Sunday 18 December from 4pm until 6pm daily. Since the event opened on Thursday visitor numbers had been growing nightly and were significantly increased upon 2015. This had created car parking issues on the Randalstown Road and in nearby residential areas in spite of efforts being made to direct visitors to the town centre car parks.

In order to address this it is proposed to operate a park and ride service for the remainder of the event from Junction One at an estimated cost of £3,000. This service is to commence on Wednesday 14 December with the car park at Castle Gardens closed to the public, with the exception of blue badge holders, to minimise any safety issues arising from operation of the bus drop off and collection as well as alleviating the bottle neck on Randalstown Road when the car park remains open. A comprehensive communications plan will be implemented in order to publicise these new arrangements which will be supported by AA road signage.

Proposed by Councillor Kells
Seconded by Councillor Kelly and agreed that

Officers be congratulated and the report be noted.

NO ACTION

3.23 CP/P4/1 PEACE IV PROGRAMME

Members were reminded of their decision in August 2016 to accept an invitation to submit a Peace IV Stage II Application and Local Action Plan to the Special European Union Programmes Body (SEUPB) following a successful Stage I Application in June 2016. The Stage II Application and Local Action Plan were approved by both the Peace IV Partnership and the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee on 12 September 2016 and subsequently submitted to SEUPB on 14 September 2016.

Following a clarification and assessment process carried out in October and November by the SEUPB, the Peace IV Programme Steering Committee met on 22nd November 2016 and has approved the Antrim and Newtownabbey Peace IV Local Action Plan for funding subject to conditions. It is anticipated that a draft Letter of Offer will follow in December 2016 and a further report will be presented to Members in due course.

Proposed by Councillor Lynch

Seconded by Councillor Montgomery and agreed that

officers be congratulated and the report be noted.

NO ACTION

PROPOSAL TO PROCEED 'IN CONFIDENCE'

Proposed by Councillor Kells

Seconded by Councillor Lynch and agreed that

the following Committee business be taken 'In Confidence'.

The Chairman advised that audio-recording would cease at this point.

ITEMS IN CONFIDENCE

3.24 D/PM/31 SALE OF LAND AT DOAGH ROAD, NEWTOWNABBEY

Members were advised that correspondence had been received from [REDACTED], on behalf of his client [REDACTED], seeking the Council's view regarding an area of land for sale on the Doagh Road, Newtownabbey. The land is approximately 30 acres and lies within area MNY 05 (Zone B) in BMAP which is zoned for employment. As the Council is the immediate adjacent land owner (crematorium site) the seller is offering the land to the Council, for a sum in the region of [REDACTED]

A map indicating the land for sale and a summary of relevant land zoning information was enclosed.

Proposed by Councillor Montgomery
Seconded by Councillor Councillor Kells and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

PROPOSAL TO PROCEED OUT OF 'IN CONFIDENCE'

Proposed by Councillor McWilliam
Seconded by Councillor Montgomery and agreed that

any remaining Committee business be taken in Open Session.

The Chairman advised that audio-recording would re-commence at this point.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 6.55pm.

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