

COOKSTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of proceedings of a **STATUTORY MEETING** of the Council held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 9 March 2010.

Present:	M Lees, Vice Chairman
Councillors:	Baker, Cassidy, Clarke, Glasgow, Greer, McAleer, McCartney, McCrea, McGarvey, McFlynn, Mclvor, McNamee, Molloy, Quinn (7.05 pm), Wilson
Officers:	Clerk/Chief Executive Director of Corporate Services Clerical Officer
Other Representatives	Planning Services Ms S McCracken, Senior Planning Officer

1 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

The Council on the motion of Councillor Molloy, seconded by Councillor Clarke AGREED to Suspend Standing Orders, in order to consider the following Notice of Motions. The Motions were proposed by Councillor McNamee and seconded by Councillor Clarke

“That this Council congratulate Holy Trinity College on winning the U16 School Team Championships, acknowledge their achievement and await the outcome of the All Ireland Championships “ and

“That this Council congratulate Cookstown High School on winning the Northern Ireland Netball School League Final, acknowledge their achievement and await the outcome of the All Ireland Championships”.

Council AGREED unanimously to adopt the Notice of Motions.

2 MINUTES OF STATUTORY MEETING – 9 February 2010

The Minutes of the STATUTORY meeting held on 9 February 2010, a copy of which had been previously circulated, were ADOPTED on the proposal of Councillor Cassidy, seconded by Councillor Baker.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Item 4.2 Department for Regional Development

The Committee NOTED receipt of response letter dated 9 February 2010 from Department of Regional Development regarding Roads Service Winter Gritting Schedule and review of the Winter Service Policy.

3.2 Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister – Autism Bill

The Committee NOTED receipt of a response letter dated 19 February 2010 from the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister regarding the Autism Bill and appointment of an Autism Advocate.

3.3 Charis Visit

The Chief Executive informed the Committee that the Chairman of Charis, Mr J McLaughlin, has invited members to visit Charis House, Loughfea on 15th March 2010 @ 6.30 pm. Due to councillors prior commitments, the Chief Executive is to arrange an alternative date.

4 MINUTES OF SPORTS & LEISURE COMMITTEE – 16 FEBRUARY 2010

4.1 Matters Considered

Councillor Wilson informed the Committee that Cookstown Hockey Club are hosting the Celtic Cup, to be held during the first weekend in July. The Committee AGREED that Council would assist this event, where possible.

4.2 Subject to the above amendments the Minutes of the SPORTS & LEISURE COMMITTEE meeting held on 16 February 2010, a copy

of which had been previously circulated, were ADOPTED on the proposal of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Molloy.

5 MINUTES OF POLICY RESOURCES & SERVICES COMMITTEE – 23 FEBRUARY 2010

5.1 Matters Considered

Item 5.5 Annual Tenders – Tender No 12 – Leisure Centre Clothing

The Committee AGREED that the recommendation be changed to read 'this item be market tested'.

5.2 Adoption of Minutes

Subject to the above amendments the Minutes of the POLICY RESOURCES & SERVICES COMMITTEE meeting held on 23 February 2010, a copy of which had been previously circulated, were ADOPTED on the proposal of Councillor McNamee, seconded by Councillor Greer.

6 PLANNING MATTERS

6.1 Schedule

Submitted schedule dated 9 February 2010, copy of which had been previously circulated, showing details of the Department's opinion as to how planning applications within the District should be decided.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Ref No	Applicant	Development
I/09/0566/F	Mr D Mcconnell 90m NW of 42 Tamnaskenny Road Cookstown	Change of house type

The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/09/0571/	lfs Global Logistics Ltd 45m South East of	Site
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No's 27 & 29 Urbal Road
Coagh

The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/09/0582/F	Mr P O'Brien Lands 80m east of 101 Tamlaghtmore Road Killymenagh Stewartstown	Dwelling
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/09/0610/F	Mr C C Eastwood 39 Pomeroy Road Ballyrgroogan Cookstown	Replacement dwelling
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/09/0613/F	Mr C Eastwood 76 – 78 Burn Road Cookstown	Change of Use
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**The Senior Planning Officer agreed to an office meeting.
Councillors Cassidy, McGarvey, McNamee and Quinn**

I/09/0626/	Mrs V Hopper 30 metres (approx) north east of 44 Ballynagilly Road Cookstown	Site
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**The Senior Planning Officer agreed to an office meeting.
Councillors Glasgow and McGarvey**

I/09/0632/F	Mr R Steenson 80m SE of 60 Tullywiggan Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/09/0653/F	Mr M Hagan Land 100m south west 55 Drumenny Road Ballinderry	Mobile Home
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**The Senior Planning Officer agreed to an office meeting.
Councillors Baker, McAleer, McFlynn and McIvor.**

I/10/0001/	Mr N Ferguson 50m north of 38 Ballyblagh Road Ballyblagh Stewartstown	Dwelling
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/10/0004/	Mr C Kelly Adjacent to 157 Battery Road Coagh Cookstown	Site
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/10/0020/F	Mr & Mrs R McIntyre 30 & 32 Beaghbeg Road Dunamore Cookstown	Replacement of Dwellings
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/10/0022/F	Mr A Heagney Lands 200m east of 294 Drum Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/10/0028/F	D & S Timoney 200m NE of 45 Loughfea Road	Extension
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Tatnagilta
Cookstown

The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/10/0030/	Mr A Hagan 87 metres west of 47 Kinturk Road Moortown Cookstown	Site
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/10/0031/	Mr A Hagan 40m west of 47 Kinturk Road Moortown	Site
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

Applications Deferred from Previous Meetings

1/07/0729/F	Kildress Joinery 4 Dunnamore Road Cookstown	Workshop
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to hold this application for 7 days.

I/08/0491/F	Ms H Keys 22 High Street Moneymore	Change of Use
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to hold this application until Friday 12 March 2010.

I/09/0115/LB	Mr T Coulter Killymoon Castle 60 Castle Road Cookstown	Removal & Replacement roof
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to hold this application for 2 weeks.

I/09/0116/F	Mr T Coulter Killymoon Castle 60 Castle Road Cookstown	Removal & Replacement roof
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to hold this application for 2 weeks.

I/09/0339/F	Mr S Kerr 42 Tullyodonnell Road Dungannon	Retention
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The Committee agreed to refer this application to the Management Board, subject to application meeting the criteria.

I/06/0363/O	Mr C McDonald 20 metres west of 6 Knockadoo Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to hold this application until Friday 12 March 2010.

6.2 The Planning Service – Streamlining Process

Council NOTED receipt of a response letter dated 18 February 2010 from The Planning Service regarding Council agreeing to extend the streamlining scheme.

7 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 DOENI - Local Government Policy Division – District Rates 2010/2011

Council NOTED receipt of an email dated 15 February 2010 from DOENI Local Government Policy Division regarding the District Rates for 2010/2011 for all 26 District Councils.

The Director of Corporate Services agreed to email Councillor

McGarvey a breakdown of rates spend, ie local and central government.

7.2 Rivers Agency – Statutory Rule 2010 No 28 The Lough Neagh (Levels) Scheme (Confirmation) Order (Northern Ireland) 2010

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 16 February 2010 from Rivers Agency regarding the above Statutory Rule.

7.3 Roads Service – DRD Roads Service Western Division Forward Planning and Traffic

The Director of Corporate Services informed members that following lengthy discussions at the Roads Services presentation held on 16 February 2010 in the Council Chamber regarding DRD Roads Service Western Division Forward Planning and Traffic, it was agreed by officers, members and Roads Services representatives to hold a pre-meeting end July/beginning August , in advance of Roads Service preparing their annual schedule.

7.4 Translink – Local Ulsterbus Services

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 24 February 2010 from Translink regarding local ulsterbus services.

7.5 Department of the Environment – SLB Meeting Press Release

The Clerk/Chief Executive informed members that Minister Poots has challenged the local government response paper by Nilga, Solace and officers, presented to him at the last SLB Meeting, and has requested the paper include greater detail regarding figures and targets.

Nilga and Solace have organised an Engagement Event with Transition Committee Members , "A Local Government Proposals to Support Efficiency and Collaboration Voluntary Transition Committee Engagement Event " to be held on Friday 12th March 2010 @ 10.30 am in the McNeill Theatre at Larne Leisure Centre.

Members on the Transition Committee are to inform Clerk/Chief Executive prior to Friday if they are attending.

7.6 NILGA – Council Leaders Commit to Efficiencies

Council NOTED receipt of an email dated 26 February 2010 from NILGA regarding the above.

7.7 NILGA – Draft Response to the High Hedges Consultation

Council NOTED receipt of a NILGA DRAFT response to the DOENI Consultation Document on a draft High Hedges Bill 1st March 2010.

7.8 Department of the Environment – Road Safety Division Proposed amendment of the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999 to control retrofitting and refilling of air conditioning systems used in passenger cars and car-derived vans

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 1 March 2010 from DOENI regarding the above consultation.

7.9 Cookstown District Council Complaints Procedure.

On the proposal of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Cassidy, the Committee AGREED to adopt the Council's Complaints Procedure.

7.10 District Policing Partnership – Election of Chairman

On the proposal of Councillor McGarvey, seconded by Councillor Baker, the Committee AGREED to postpone the election of the Chairman for the District Policing Partnership for one month.

7.11 War Memorial, Coagh

On the proposal of Councillor Greer, seconded by Councillor Wilson, the Committee AGREED to a War Memorial being erected on the Main Street, Coagh, and not in the grounds of the Presbyterian Church, as previously agreed at the Council Meeting held on 12 May 2009.

The War Memorial Group will be informed that the Council will maintain the memorial after erection, and will liaise with the

appropriate authorities to ensure that a suitable design and inscriptions are agreed.

8 SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

8.1 Sperrins Gateway Landscape Partnership Scheme

Council NOTED receipt of email dated 1 March 2010 from Sperrins Gateway Landscape Partnership Scheme, regarding a Public Meeting Schedule for the above scheme, and Clerk/Chief Executive encouraged members to attend one of the these meetings.

8.2 NILGA – Women in Local Councils Recognition and Celebration Event Launch of Women’s Mentoring Programme

Council NOTED receipt of the above event, to be held on Thursday 11th March 2010 in the Long Gallery, Parliament Buildings, Stormont Estate.

9 FINANCE MATTERS

9.1 Friends of the Somme

On the proposal of Councillor Cassidy, seconded by Councillor Wilson the Committee AGREED to renew the Friends of the Somme annual subscription to the Somme Association at a cost of £370.00 + vat.

10 IN COMMITTEE

10.1 Facilities Letter

On the proposal of Councillor Cassidy, seconded by Councillor McNamee it was RESOLVED that

Council accept the facility offered by Ulster Bank Limited to the Council by Facility Letter dated 9 February 2010 subject to the general conditions and the Terms and Conditions set out in the Facility Letter.

That Michael J McGuckin, Ivor Paisley and Marissa Canavan are hereby authorised to accept and sign the said Facility Letter for and on behalf of Cookstown District Council.

11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 Lease Agreement – Cookstown District Council to Department for Regional Development

On the proposal of Councillor Cassidy, seconded by Councillor Molloy, the Committee AGREED to extend the lease of property at Station Yard to Department for Regional Development to 31st October 2010.

The meeting ended at 7.45 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk/Chief Executive

Date

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