

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE OF DUNGANNON AND SOUTH TYRONE BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 29 MARCH 2011 IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, CIRCULAR ROAD, DUNGANNON

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor McGuigan (Chair)

Councillors F Burton (7.34 pm), R Burton (7.38 pm), Cavanagh, Gildernew, Gillespie, Greenaway (7.34 pm)

OFFICERS PRESENT: J McClelland, Director of Building Control (DBC)
A McIlwrath, Departmental Business Manager (DBM)
B McMinn, Director of Technical Services (DTS)
L Marshall (Secretariat)
M Patterson, Lead Environmental Health Officer, Health & Safety (LEHO H&S)
Y Zellmann, Agenda 21 Co-Ordinator (A21)

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Phill Russell, Project Director, SWaMP2008

APOLOGY: Councillor Daly

The meeting started at 7.32 pm

1 SWaMP2008

Mr Russell made presentation (appendix 1) on developments within SWaMP2008, this included the drivers to change, the governance of the project team, timeframe for awarding the residual waste contract and options for diverting waste from landfill.

Mr Russell responded to Members questions as follows –

- Reliance of SWaMP2008 on other two regions - SWaMP2008 is designed to be a stand alone system and will not be reliant on the other two regions within NI. Contract conditions for the three regions will be similar.
- Implication of RPA – Contract will be written with contractor so as to accommodate any changes.
- Timeframe from awarding contract until up and running – Planning process 6 months, construction of transfer station 6-9 months

(A McIlwrath and P Russell left the meeting at 8.05 pm)

2 CHANGE TO ORDER OF AGENDA

Resolved That the report of the Director of Technical Services be taken next.

3 TECHNICAL SERVICES

The report (appendix 2) and addendum (appendix 3) of the Director of Technical Services were presented reference being made to the undernoted:

3.1 Extension of the Mixed Dry Recyclables Contract

As per report DTS advised Members of the need to extend the current mixed dry recyclables contract.

Members expressed the public's confusion with regard to what can and can't be placed in the blue bin and enquired if 6 months was the best time frame for awarding a new contract to enable more materials to go for recycling.

DTS agreed that the current situation was confusing but that it will take the 6 month time frame to put in place the new contract arrangements.

Proposed by Councillor Gildernew
Seconded by Councillor Cavanagh and

Resolved That it be recommended to the Council to extend the current contract until a new contract has been awarded.

3.2 NIEA Fees

As a result of Council's decision to withhold payment of a surrender license fee from NIEA in relation to the closure of Moy Civic Amenity Site NIEA do not recognise that this site is closed and have been continuing to invoice the Council for the annual subsistence/inspection fees for all 6 civic amenity site. Due to Council's non payment of these invoices, totalling £17,706 the matter is now being passed to NIEA's solicitor/debt recovery agent. DTS asked Members how they wished to proceed.

Proposed by Councillor Gildernew
Seconded by Councillor Cavanagh and

Resolved That it be recommended to the Council to pay the total amount of £17,706 to NIEA.

3.3 Recycling Bus

Members felt it important that the recycling bus be used for school visits to encourage children and their families to recycle more. Large public events such as Clogher Valley Show and Castlecaulfield Show would also be a good opportunity to raise recycling awareness.

3.4 Adoption of Report and Addendum

Proposed by Councillor Cavanagh
Seconded by Councillor Gildernew and

Resolved That it be recommended to the Council that the report and addendum of the Director of Technical Services be adopted, and that all recommendations, subject to the foregoing be approved.

4 TULLYVAR UPDATE

Members were updated on Tullyvar as per report of Director of Technical Services (appendix 2).

(B McMinn left the meeting at 8.27 pm)

5 BUILDING CONTROL

The report (appendix 3) of the Director of Building Control was presented reference being made to the undernoted:

5.1 Refusals

The Director of Building Control advised that as further information required had not been received he recommended refusal of the applications as listed on appendix 4.

5.2 Adoption of Report

Proposed by Councillor Gildernew
Seconded by Councillor Cavanagh and

Resolved That it be recommended to the Council that the report of the Director of Building Control be adopted, and that all recommendations, subject to the foregoing, be approved.

(J McClelland left the meeting at 8.34 pm)

6 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The report (appendix 5) of the Acting Director of Environmental Health was presented reference being made to the undernoted:

6.1 Report to Council Concerning Application for Approval of a Product Specific Food Business Establishment Subject to Approval Under Regulation (EC) No 853/2004

LEHO H&S advised of change to report, recommendation for the above should read as follows –

That it be recommended that Dungannon and South Tyrone Borough Council grant **conditional approval for 3 month period** to Urarov Smoked Poultry and assign a new identification mark to the establishment. Furthermore, it is recommended that the applicant and the Food Standards Agency Northern Ireland be so informed.

6.2 Motor Cycle Events 2011 – Bush Road Races

LEHO H&S recommended that the following additional condition be incorporated into the recommendation already laid out in report concerning motor cycle events –

That should Council decide to provide sponsorship to a motor cycle event that this funding will be subject to the provision of a detailed event safety plan and suitable and sufficient risk assessments being submitted to Council.

Resolved That it be recommended to Council that the above recommendation be added to the recommendation already set out in report.

6.3 Review of Street Trading Pitch Designation Policy

At a recent Audit and Risk Committee meeting it was recommended that the street trading pitch designation policy be reviewed.

Having had time to consider this policy Members agreed that the current proposals in place are adequate and that no changes are required.

6.4 Adoption of Report

Proposed by Councillor F Burton
Seconded by Councillor R Burton and

Resolved That it be recommended to the Council that the report of the Acting Director of Environmental Health be adopted, and that all recommendations, subject to the foregoing, be approved.

7 AGENDA 21

The report (appendix 6) of the Agenda 21 Co-Ordinator was presented reference being made to the undernoted:

7.1 South Tyrone Landfill Tax Programme

A21 Co-ordinator advised that further to agreement at previous meeting with regard to the above scheme Council's Solicitor had been approached seeking advice in relation to Council's role in the grant allocation process. A21 Co-ordinator proposed waiting until Solicitor's advice has been received before moving forward with placing a call for funding.

Members felt that it would be better to wait until advice has been received from Solicitor and with forthcoming elections call for funding should be postponed until June.

Resolved That it be recommended to the Council to postpone call for funding until June.

7.2 Adoption of Report

Proposed by Councillor Cavanagh
Seconded by Councillor Gillespie and

Resolved That it be recommended to the Council that the report of the Agenda 21 Co-Ordinator be adopted, and that all recommendations, subject to the foregoing, be approved.

8 DURATION OF MEETING

The meeting was called for 7.30 pm and ended at 8.55 pm.

MAYOR_____

CHIEF EXECUTIVE _____