# Minutes of Meeting of Environment Committee of Mid Ulster District Council held on Tuesday 10 October 2017 in Council Offices, Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt

Members Present Councillor McGinley, Chair

Councillors Buchanan, Burton, Cuthbertson, Gillespie, Glasgow, Kearney, McFlynn, B Mcguigan, S McGuigan, McNamee, Mulligan, O'Neill, M Quinn, Reid (7.02pm) and

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Officers in Attendance Mr Cassells, Director of Environment and Property Mr Kelso, Director of Public Health and Infrastructure

Mr Lowry, Head of Technical Services

Mr McAdoo, Head of Environmental Services Mrs McClements, Head of Environmental Health

Mr Scullion, Head of Property Services Mr Wilkinson, Head of Building Control Mrs Forde, Member Support Officer

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm

E235/17 Apologies

None.

# E236/17 Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Members of their responsibility with regard to declarations of interest.

Councillors McFlynn and Burton declared an interest in Agenda Item 35 Ageing Well – Tender Process.

# E237/17 Chair's Business

The Chair, Councillor McGinley reminded Members that it was World Mental Health Day highlighting the statistic that one in four people are affected each year. He encouraged Members to continue to play their part in raising awareness and continue to promote positive mental health.

Councillor Burton concurred with the Chair drawing attention to the statistics in relation to people losing their lives to suicide. The Councillor also made reference to people suffering from depression emphasising how debilitating the condition can be.

Councillor Reid entered the meeting at 7.02pm

Councillor Burton extended congratulations to Castlecaulfied Horticultural Society who earlier in the day had won the Northern Ireland Amenity Award for best kept

small village which gains them entry into the All Ireland competition. Councillor Burton conveyed the thanks of the Horticultural society to the committee and staff who worked with them. The Councillor acknowledged the awards the Horticultual Society had won in recent years and how the village of Castlecaulfield was becoming a tourist attraction with people going out of their way to pass through it.

The Chair, Councillor McGinley commended the valuable work carried out by Castlecaulfield Horticultural Society.

# E238/17 A6 Randalstown – Castledawson Dualling

The Chair, Councillor McGinley welcomed Ms Johnston and Mr McLaverty from Farrans Group. The representatives delivered a presentation on the A6 Randalstown – Castledawson dualling scheme.

The Chair, Councillor McGinley thanked the representatives for the presentation and invited Members questions.

Councillor Glasgow advised he had attended the 'Meet the Buyer' event and sought clarity as to the number of people who would be working 'on the ground' on the project. In response Mr McLaverty advised approximately 150 'boots on the ground', 70 staff, approximately 45 sub-contractors and also attributed to the economic impact for local shops and cafes in the area.

Councillor Gillespie commended the project highlighting in particular the high level of recycling of clay etc.

In response to Councillor B McGuigan's question in relation to objectors and potential hold-ups Mr McLaverty advised that objectors could only go back to the Supreme court in they had new evidence and emphasised that they had been requested to move the project forward. Councillor B McGuigan advised that people had waited 50 years for the road and would welcome the completion of the project.

The Chair, Councillor McGinley advised that he regularly commutes on the road and asked if it was anticipated that there would be a backlog of traffic until 2020 or would it ease up prior to that.

Mr McLaverty advised that the completion of the project Randalstown to Toome in 2019 should ease traffic congestion and advised that due to wildlife implications work on site could only take place for six months of the year.

Councillor Kearney thanked the team for the presentation and in relation to the park and ride asked if there would be amenities on site. In response, Mr McLaverty advised that Translink prescribe if amenities are to be incorporated at the park and ride sites but to date he was aware that none were planned for the park and ride but indicated there would be 60 additional spaces.

Councillor Burton concurred with Councillor Kearney emphasising that it was a pity amenity provision had not been included in the plan. The Councillor stated that if people were to be encouraged to utilise park and ride facilities together with public

transport some form of amenity provision should be made highlighting Ballygawley site as one at which amenity provision would be welcomed. In response Mr McLaverty stated he would bring the comments back to the relevant agency.

Councillor McGinley thanked the representatives of Farrans and they left the meeting at 7.30pm.

#### **Matters for Decision**

#### E239/17 NIHE – Traveller Provision

The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure presented previously circulated report which provided update on the meetings held with NIHE in relation to the Travelling Community residing at Creagh Industrial site.

The Chair, Councillor McGinley reminded Members that traveller provision had been previously requested.

Councillor Cuthbertson asked if there was the same demand for travellers as in conversation with the NIHE they had indicated many travellers now reside in settled housing provided by the Housing association. In response the Director of Public Health and Infrastructure advised that many do reside in permanent housing but that his understanding was that there is a particular group of travellers who had been on a temporary site for a few years.

Councillor Burton referred to the Special Council meeting in September when representative of the NIHE had indicated that in the past sites had been developed and when the particular family group left another family group would not use it, thus the facility lay vacant.

The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure advised that the statutory responsibility was with the NIHE and they would incur cost of site development and management and that the proposal was for Council to assist with potential site identification.

Councillor S McGuigan stated that the NIHE had 'dragged their feet' on the matter and that they were now being 'hand held' by Council.

Proposed by Councillor Kearney Seconded by Councillor McFlynn and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to appoint a design team to assist NIHE with the assessment and identification of appropriate sites for

transit traveller provision.

E240/17 Transport NI Proposals to Mid Ulster Council (Disabled Parking Bays)

Members considered previously circulated report which sought agreement in relation to proposals from Transport NI with regard to proposed provision of a Disabled

Persons' Parking Bay at Moore Street, Aughnacloy and Queens Avenue, Magherafelt.

The Director of Environment and Property noted Councillor Reid's request that Transport NI be asked to provide disabled parking bays in Perry Street and Church Street, Dungannon. Councillor Cuthbertson stated that he had raised this with officers during Phase 2 of the Dungannon Public Realm scheme and he had been assured accommodation would be made but this had not happened.

Members were reminded that they too should lobby transport NI in relation to requests for disabled parking bays.

Proposed by Councillor Reid Seconded by Councillor McNamee and

#### Resolved

That it be recommended to Council to endorse the proposals submitted by Transport NI in relation to proposed provision of a Disabled Persons' Parking Bay at Moore Street, Aughnacloy and Queens Avenue, Magherafelt.

#### E241/17 Cott Lane Footbridge

The Director of Environment and Property presented previously circulated report which provided detail of a Principle Inspection Report on the condition of Cott Lane Footbridge and sought approval for the instigation of a detailed structural analysis of same.

Councillor McFlynn welcomed this work stating that anyone who walks in the area would know the bridge and be aware of its daily use.

Councillor McNamee proposed the recommendation to approve the instigation of a detailed structural analysis of Cott Land Footbridge and suggested that funding opportunies should be explored.

Councillor McFlynn seconded the proposal.

Councillor Cuthbertson asked if Council owned the bridge and if land registry had any information. In response the Director of Environment and Property advised that it had been constructed approximately 100 years ago by the County Council and that the legacy Cookstown Council had asserted a right of way over the bridge and carried out work on the bridge in 2002 and thus it would then have come into the remit of Mid Ulster Council. He advised it was a footbridge accessed through fields and laneways and that unfortunately there was a dearth of information on it but emphasised that the report was recommending a structural analysis.

Proposed by Councillor McNamee Seconded by Councillor McFlynn and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve the instigation of a detailed structural analysis of Cott Lane Footbridge.

#### **E242/17** Property Services Landfill Communities Fund Proposals

The Head of Property Services presented previously circulated report which sought approval for two Council led applications to the Landfill Communities as undernoted. It was noted that there was no other sources of funding available.

- Football Pitch adjacent to Tobermore Driving Range: Replacement and upgrade of the existing football pitch floodlights. The project would improve the spread and quality of lighting, resulting in improved safety, and lower utility costs. Cost: £48,350 to include new lighting columns and foundations, new sports heads, upgraded NIE supply, new cabling and wiring.
- Dry Store, (Former GNR Goods Shed) Railway Yard, Cookstown: To replace
  the failing roof on a large storage shed at the Old Railway Yard. The project
  would see the roof on the listed building replaced and electrics upgraded to
  improve the useable of the building for storage in a safe and dry environment,
  whilst preserving the local built heritage. Cost: £100,000 to include a new roof,
  rain water goods and electrics

Councillor Glasgow stated that although there were substantial costs the projects were very different but equally worthwhile.

Proposed by Councillor Glasgow Seconded by Councillor Buchanan and

#### Resolved

That it be recommended to Council to make submit applications for Landfill Communities Fund funding to deliver the projects aforementioned, subject to successful applications and availability of funds. Total cost of projects £148,350.

# **E243/17** Winter Maintenance – Footpath Snow/Ice Clearance

The Head of Property Services presented previously circulated report which sought approval to enter into agreement with Dfl/Transport NI in relation to the treatment of footpaths in the main town centres within Mid Ulster District following heavy snowfall or prolonged freezing. It was noted that it was not necessary to trigger the agreement last year.

In response to Councillor Reid's question the Head of Property Services confirmed that generally the area is maintained through Council resources.

Councillor M Quinn drawing attention to the areas highlighted for clearing asked if there was scope to widen the clearance out. In response the Head of Property Services advised that only the retail centres were detailed within the agreement.

Councillor Cuthbertson stated that Church Street, Perry Street and Northland Row, Dungannon should be included. In response the Director of Environment and Property stated that the Planning Department had depicted the retail centres on the maps, that it is rare that the agreement has to be triggered stating that the last

significant snow was in 2010 and emphasised that Council should remain with the Planners definitions of retail centres.

Councillor Burton stated that if a town was geographically level that would be fine but stressed a common sense approach should be applied highlighting that Dungannon was on a hill and the areas mentioned were particularly steep.

Proposed by Councillor Burton Seconded by Councillor Cuthbertson and

Resolved

That it be recommended to Council to investigate widening the remit of the agreement to include Church Street, Perry Street, and walkway from Perry Street car park to Market Street, Dungannon.

The Chair Councillor McGinley emphasised that the request would be noted.

Proposed by Councillor S McGuigan Seconded by Councillor Reid and

Resolved

That it be recommended to Council to enter into discussion with Dfl/ Transport NI to reach agreement on the 2017/18 winter season with regard to the treatment of footways during extreme conditions following heavy snowfall or prolonged freezing.

#### Bin Ovation App - Additional Report It Functionality E244/17

The Head of Environmental Services presented previously circulated report which sought approval to incorporate the new 'Report It' functionality on the Bin Ovation App to allow users to report issues such as dog fouling, litter etc. directly from their phone or tablet.

Councillor Glasgow asked if the app would increase response times to complaints such as dog fouling particularly at 'hotspots'. In response the Head of Environmental Services stated that the app would prove useful in improving response times as incidents would be reported guicker and emphasised that the app could be shared between services.

The Chair Councillor McGinley stated that it would be useful if feedback was reported to the committee on highest uses, hotspot locations, response times etc.

Proposed by Councillor Glasgow Seconded by Councillor B McGuigan and

Resolved

That it be recommended to Council that the Report It Function be

incorporated within the Bin Ovation App.

E245/17 **Street Naming and Property Numbering**  Members considered previously circulated report regarding the naming of new residential housing developments within Mid Ulster as undernoted:

Proposed by Councillor Cuthbertson Seconded by Councillor Reid and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to name development off Ballynorthland Demesne, Dungannon as Ballynorthland Manor

Proposed by Councillor B McGuigan Seconded by Councillor McFlynn and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to name development off Coolshinney Road, Magherafelt as Foxfield Park.

Councillors Reid and Glasgow declared an interest in Renaming and Renumbering Existing Streets

#### **E246/17** Renaming and Renumbering Existing Streets

The Head of Building Control presented previously circulated report regarding a request for the renaming and renumbering of an existing street and sought approval to undertake a survey of all applicable residents on the street/road in question.

In response to Councillor Cuthbertson's question Councillor Reid stated that one resident had raised concerns as mail was being mixed up and other residents had followed suite.

Proposed by Councillor McNamee Seconded by Councillor M Quinn and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to proceed with the Street Naming Survey of occupiers of Lough Terrace, Newmills in accordance with the

Policy for Street Naming and Dual Language Signage.

E247/17 Blind Cord Safety Video 'It only takes seconds' shortlisted for UK CIEH Award

The Head of Environmental Health presented previously circulated report which advised that the blind cord safety video 'It only takes seconds' has been shortlisted for a UK CIEH Award. The report sought approval for representation from Mid Ulster Council at the awards ceremony.

The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure advised that it was normal policy for one officer and one Member to attend.

Councillor Gillespie stated the Chair of committee should accompany appropriate officer.

Councillor Reid stated the work in relation to this project was excellent with parents and childcare providers had benefitted.

Proposed by Councillor Gillepsie Seconded by Councillor S McGuigan and

Resolved That it be recommended to Council that the Chair of Committee and

one officer attend the CIEH Awards Ceremony in London on 2

November 2017.

#### E248/17 Bus Shelters

The Head of Technical Services presented previously circulated report which provided update on the progress of bus shelter applications at various locations in the district following meeting with Dfl Roads. The report also sought approval on the future design of bus shelter provision. The Head of Technical Services advised that there would be site meetings on Wednesday 11 October and Wednesday 18 October with Translink. He further advised that Translink and Clear Channel had proposals to erect 10 bus shelters in the Mid Ulster area.

The Chair, Councillor McGinley stated that Members had wrote to Translink and they had received no response and requested that the officer raise this at forthcoming meetings.

Councillor Reid proposed option 3.

Councillor J O'Neill requested further details on the proposed site meetings stating that he would like to attend.

The Chair, Councillor McGinley requested that the Head of Technical Services circulate details of the site meetings to Members.

Councillor Cuthbertson suggested that Council should remain with option one as it was tried and tested. He also made reference to the seat being removed as it hindered young people from congregating in them. Referring to option 3 the Councillor stated that after a period of time the Perspex goes hazy using the example of Gortmerron Link Road in Dungannon. He also sought clarification on who would maintain the shelters.

The Chair, Councillor McGinley sought clarity in the difference between three and five. The Head of Technical Services stated that option 3 had advertising panels which assists with the maintenance costs. He highlighted that the cost of option 3 was £11,500 whilst Council had a budget of £1500 per shelter. The Officer advised that the difference between option 1 and option 4 was that the latter had a curved roof.

Councillor Reid withdrew his proposal due to costs stating his thoughts in proposing the option 3 had been from a point of view of restricting antisocial behaviour.

Councillor Mulligan stated that cost factor must be considered and in a rural community it was functionality and thus proposed either option 1 or option 4 and that option 5 could be used in the towns and villages

The Head of Technical Services advised that application was being submitted to Translink for funding for some shelters and if application is refused Council could then erect the shelter.

Councillor S McGuigan stated that if Translink funding was unsuccessful he would support the proposal for Option 4.

Councillor Cuthbertson stated that option 1 would be his preference in keeping with the existing structures in the district.

Councillor Burton stated that a common sense approach should be taken in that bus shelters on rural roads should have sides on them.

The Chair Councillor McGinley stated that option 1 and option 4 were of similar structure only that option 4 had a curved roof.

Councillor Burton stated that many rural bus shelters had grass growing up through them and asked how often it would be cut. The Director of Environment and Property stated that strimming took place twice a year he also stated that it would be useful to be advised if bus shelters were no longer required.

Proposed by Councillor Mulligan Seconded by Councillor S McGuigan and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve design option four for future bus shelters in the District.

Councillor Mulligan left the meeting at 8.25pm

#### **Matters for Information**

# E249/17 Minutes of Special Environment Committee held on 17 August 2017

Members noted minutes of Special Environment Committee held on 17 August 2017.

# E250/17 Minutes of Environment Committee held on 12 September 2017

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Councillor Cuthbertson in relation to E212/17 Property Services Landfill Communities Fund proposals indicated he had requested a report on treatment of noxious weeds and invasive species on council property to be brought to the October meeting and not a future meeting.

In response to Councillor Cuthbertson's request that Council write to the property owner in Perry street who had an issue in relation to off street parking the Director of Environment and Property advised to date Council had not received the deeds to Perry Street Car Park, that the property owner had previously received correspondence from Council but that he would provide them with a further update.

In response to Councillor Reid's the Director of Environment and Property advised that he had requested that the gates of Knockloughrim PlayArea/Pitch be locked and that there had been no reports of antisocial behaviour at Cottage Quinn cemetery received by the Department. Regarding a suggested amendment to the minute the Chair, Councillor McGinley confirmed the minutes were for information and had been ratified at Council.

#### Resolved

That it be recommended to the Council that the Director of Environment and Property provides the property owner in Perry Street with an update in relation to off street carparking issue.

# E251/17 Mid Ulster Bonfire Working Group

The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure presented previously circulated report which provided update from Bonfire Working Group following Special Environment Committee held on 17 August 2017. He advised that the actions at 3.3 of the report should read as undernoted:

- (i) Members continuing on their work with the Bonfire Working Group and wait until the findings of the Flags and Emblems Committee being made known before inviting other agencies ie. PSNI, Fire Service and NIEA to becoming involved.
- (ii) Engagement with local communities who wish to host bonfires and those who don't wish to host bonfires on Council land to ensure adherence to Good Practice with Council and other Statutory Agencies to promote public safety at bonfires.
- (iii) Officers to prepare an Options Paper for the introduction of an application and licencing process, which should meet certain criteria for building bonfires, with this being done through the Bonfire Working Group and then brought back to committee for consideration.
- (iv) Illegal bonfires be put on the Risk Register and being brought back to committee.

The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure drew attention to the final version of the position paper detailed in the report advising that all agencies had contributed to it.

In response to Councillor M Quinn's question the Director of Public Health and Infrastructure advised that Council focus is on bonfires on their own property and that third party activities is dealt with through the NIEA and PSNI.

Councillor Cuthbertson sought clarification as to why the Council was paying for removal of tyres when the NIEA, as detailed on page 7 of the position paper, remove them with no charge. The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure stated that the

position paper contained generic statements regarding the position of the NIEA. He also advised that the NIEA had removed asbestos from Council premises and further clarified that council had paid for removal of tyres from its own land as they were responsible to do so.

The Director of Environment and Property clarified that the figure of 20m3 had originated from the Flytipping Protocol which the Council had entered into with the NI Environment Agency originally on a pilot basis.

In response to Councillor B McGuigan's question the Director of Public Health and Infrastructure advised that the bonfire working group would only involve other statutory agencies as and when required.

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update from Bonfire Working Group following Special Environment Committee held on 17 August 2017.

Councillor Reid declared an interest in Coalisland Public Realm as he had been involved in ongoing meetings

#### E252/17 Coalisland Public Realm Progress Report

The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure presented previously circulated report which provided update on progress of Coalisland Public Realm scheme.

The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure drew attention to the public consultations taking place in Coalsiland and advised it was hoped to have a final design option for November. The Director highlighted Option One in relation to formalising access to carparking at the Cornmill together with the design of either angled parking at the rear of the centre which was subject to agreement with private landowner. He further advised that Officers were engaging to deal with dereliction issues, that a bus layby would be incorporated at Lineside and traffic would have a right turn lane at the site of the old police station.

In relation to Option Two the Director of Public Health and Infrastructure advised the one way system in this layout would continue further out and go through the Square but stated it was less favoured as traffic at busy times may be more difficult to manage. He reiterated that the options were out for consultation with the community and that there would be meetings with stakeholders.

Councillor B McGuigan asked if the money was ring-fenced for public realm schemes and if the current political situation could lead to delays in projects. In response the Director of Public Health and Infrastructure advised that meetings took place with the funding team on a regular basis and no indication had been given regarding delays in funding but that he would be able to confirm further when the proposals were formally submitted for assessment.

Councillor B McGuigan expressed concerns regarding public realm funding.

In response to Councillor M Quinn's enquiry as to how people who are not able to attend the public meeting can access details of the proposals the Director of Public

Health and Infrastructure advised that the information was on public display at venues in Coalisland and available through the web site together with the submission forms for comments. The Director advised that the public display would be exhibited for a number of weeks at the Cornmill Heritage Centre, Coalisland and Public Information events were scheduled for Wednesday 11 October between 1-2pm and 5.30pm – 6.30pm.

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on progress of Coalisland Public Realm scheme.

# E253/17 Dfl Proposals to Vest Land at Killyman Road, Dungannon

The Director of Environment and Property presented previously circulated report which advised of the Department of Infrastructure's intention to make a vesting order for lands at Killyman Road, Dungannon for the purposes of a cycle path.

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#### E254/17 Off Street Car Park Strategy: Consultation

The Head of Property Services presented previously circulated report which advised of Council's Off Street Car Park Consultation.

Councillor McNamee expressed his disappointment as he, together with other Members had not received an update in relation to Union Street Carpark, Cookstown. He stated that the information had been requested at Cookstown Town Centre forum meetings and made mention of meetings to be facilitated with businesses and residents. In response the Director of Environment and Property advised that he had provided a briefing note to officers responsible for the Town Centre Forum. The Director stated he would forward the briefing note to members and outlined its content namely that the matter of a restrictive covenant preventing the Council from levying car parking charges at Union Place Car Park was raised recently in relation to the Preferred Option (4) contained within the Car Parking Strategy. The Director advised that following examination of the title deeds and legal advice received on the matter the situation is as follows:

- 1. The initial land was vested in the Cookstown Urban District Council from six land owners in April 1970; there are no restrictive covenants in these deeds in relation to car parking charges.
- 2. Subsequently following local government reorganisation in 1972 the land was transferred to the Department of the Environment as the competent Roads Authority.
- 3. The second parcel of land was purchased in September 1978; again there are no restrictive covenants in these deeds in relation to car parking charges.
- 4. At this time (1978) Access Agreements (Rights of Way) were entered into individually with the occupiers of the properties which front onto William Street and have a rear entrance taken from the lands occupied by the car park.
- 5. These Agreements were limited to the access road to the rear of these properties and allow for free and unimpeded access over that strip land as indicated.

- 6. By way of these Agreements the Council is prevented from allowing parking on the access strip or indeed charging for the use of the access strip.
- 7. The Council could therefore introduce charges to the car park so long as the access to the rear of the William Street properties is unaffected by such an introduction.

In relation to the consultations with businesses the director advised that the requests for meetings were being worked through and that the consultation had opened.

Councillor Glasgow concurred with Councillor McNamee and stated that his understanding had been that Members had asked to see the questions prior to the consultation opening and the first he saw the questions was in the press. The Councillor emphasised that he and others were coming under pressure with the public in regard to this matter.

Councillor Buchanan stated he had received an email regarding the matter.

The Chair, Councillor McGinley advised that the briefing note would be circulated to Members and in moving forward the information would go directly to Members.

#### E255/17 Communities in Bloom Awards Feedback

The Head of Property Services presented previously circulated report which advised of the success for Mid Ulster District following the Communities in Bloom Awards in Canada. The report also included judge's feedback on the Castlcaulfield entry.

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#### E256/17 Property Services Disposal of Assets – Fleet/Plant

The Head of Property Services presented previously circulated report which advised of the disposal/sale of surplus fleet, plant and equipment from Council for the period 10 April 2017 to 30 September 2017.

Members noted previously circulated report which advised of the disposal/sale of surplus fleet, plant and equipment from Council for the period 10 April 2017 to 30 September 2017.

#### **E257/17** Review of Arrangements for Collection of Second Bins

The Head of Environmental Services presented previously circulated report which advised on the outcome of a review process in relation to collection arrangements for second black bins across the District in line with Council policy.

Members noted previously circulated report which advised on the outcome of a review process in relation to collection arrangements for second black bins across the District in line with Council policy.

# **E258/17** Regulatory Inspection of Council Waste Management Activities

The Head of Environmental Services presented previously circulated report which provided update on recent regulatory inspection of Council waste management activities.

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on recent regulatory inspection of Council waste management activities.

# E259/17 Tullyvar Joint Committee Update

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on the business of Tullyvar Joint Committee.

# E260/17 Building Control Workload

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on the workload analysis for Building Control.

# **E261/17** Entertainment Licensing Applications

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on Entertainment Licensing Applications across the Mid Ulster District.

# E262/17 Dual Language Signage Request

The Head of Building Control presented the previously circulated report in relation to a dual language signage request.

In response to Councillor Cuthbertson's question the Chair Councillor McGinley stated that the request referred to the whole of the Killyliss Road. The Head of Building Control advised that everyone on the road registered on the electoral register would be contacted. Councillor Cuthbertson expressed concern in relation to costs. The Chair, Councillor McGinley emphasised that the Council had a policy in relation to dual language signage requests and that this was what was being applied. He advised the Councillor that to propose an amendment to the policy a notice of motion would have to be brought to council.

In response to Councillor Glasgow's question the head of Building Control advised that names and signatures are withheld for data protection reasons.

Councillor Cuthbertson suggested that the names be retained on the documents and the matter dealt with through confidential business. In response the Chair Councillor McGinley stressed that Council must be as transparent as possible and that there would be no benefit in knowing the names of requesters. The Director of Public Health and Infrastructure stated that data protection requirements apply.

Members noted previously circulated report which provided detail on a dual language signage request.

# E263/17 Restart a Heart Day

The Head of Environmental Health presented the previously circulated report which provided detail of Mid Ulster 'Restart a Heart Day' events being held on 16 October 2017 and invited Members to attend.

Councillor Reid stated that the work was very important and advised that if you suspected a person was suffering a heart attack you should get them to take a deep breath and cough as the action massages the heart.

Members noted previously circulated report which provided detail on Restart a Heart Day.

# **Local Government (NI) Act 2014 - Confidential Business**

Proposed by Councillor S McGuigan Seconded by Councillor McNamee and

#### Resolved

In accordance with Section 42, Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014 that Members of the public be asked to withdraw from the meeting whilst Members consider items E264/17 to E269/17.

#### **Matters for Decision**

E264/17	Property Services – Tender report for the appointment of
	Vehicle Suppliers
E265/17	Tender for the collection and recycling of waste tyres
E266/17	Moneymore Recreational Centre – Capital Project

#### **Matters for Information**

E267/17	Confidential Minutes of Environment Committee held on			
	12 September 2017			
E268/17	Capital Projects Update			
E269/17	Ageing Well – Tender Process			

#### E270/17 Duration of Meeting

The meeting was called for 7.00 pm and ended at 9.20 pm.

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