

COOKSTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of proceedings of a **POLICY RESOURCES & SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING** of the Council held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 28 February 2012

Present: I McCrea, Chairman

Councillors: Clarke, Glasgow MBE, Lees, Mayo, McAleer, McCartney, McElhone, McFlynn, McGarvey, McNamee, Quinn, Wilson

Officers
Chief Executive (Acting)
Director of Building Control
Director of Environmental Health
Director of Operational Services
Director of Corporate Services
Clerk's Secretary

1 CONDOLENCES

The Chairman offered condolences on behalf of the Council to Sean Scullion on the recent death of his mother Margaret Ann. The Council stood for a moment's silence.

2 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

3 REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF BUILDING CONTROL

A copy of the above report had been previously circulated. The Committee adopted the report together with the following matters contained therein

3.1 Grant/Renewal of Licence

46 N Barnes, Drumnacross Organge Hall, Glenarny, Cookstown
127 Rev Fr Breslan, Parochial Hall, Drummullan, Moneymore

On the proposal of Councillor McGarvey, seconded by Councillor Mayo the Committee RECOMMENDED that the above licences are granted for the days and hours as requested.

4 REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

A copy of the above report had been previously circulated. The Committee adopted the report together with the following matters contained therein..

4.1 EU Approval – Cooked Meats Solutions Ltd, FBIC Unit 2, 45 Tullywiggan Road, Cookstown (Approval No UK ZT 020 EC)

The Committee RECOMMENDED that a Conditional Approval is offered to Mr Richard Walsh, trading as Cooked Meats Solutions Ltd, Unit 2, Food Business Incubation Centre, 45 Tullywiggan Road, Cookstown BT80 8SG, under Regulation 852/2004, in accordance with the above requirements.

4.2 The Private Tenancies (NI) Order 2006 – Application for Inspection of Properties

The Committee RECOMMENDED that in accordance with the requirements of Article 36 (4) of The Private Tenancies (Northern Ireland) Order 2006, Certificate of Fitness are issued for the dwellings at 68 Oldtown Street, Cookstown, 35 Ardagh Road, Coagh, 15 Killybearn lane, Cookstown.

4.3 Street Trading Act (N) 2001: Renewal of Licences for Stationary Trading

Name	Designated	Dates/Times	Product
Sharon Fields 20 Cookstown Rd Cookstown	Lay-by on Westbound Carriageway (20 metres from exit)	Monday to Saturday (7.30 am to 4.30 pm) (6 days per week)	Hot Foods
James Fields 20 Cookstown Rd Cookstown	Ballyforlea Lay-by Eastbound Carriageway (40 metres from entrance)	Monday to Saturday (7.30 am to 5 pm) (6 days per week)	Potatoes

The Committee RECOMMENDED that a Stationary Street Trading Licence is issued to the above traders under Section 6 of the Street Trading Act (NI) 2001 for a period of 12 months at the designated area and times specified.

4.4 Street Trading Act (NI) 2001: Renewal of Licence for Mobile Trader

Name	Designated	Dates/Times	Product
Patrick McCullagh Lakeview House Loughmacrory Omagh	Cookstown District (Ice Cream Van)	Various	Ice Cream

The Committee RECOMMENDED that a Mobile Street Trading Licence is issued to the above trader under Section 6 of the Street Trading Act (NI) 2001 for a period of 12 months at the designated area and times specified.

4.5 Poisons (NI) Order 1976: Application for Registration for the Sale of Part II Poisons

The Committee RECOMMENDED that registration is renewed in respect of the following:-

Supervalu, Burn Road, Cookstown
Eagleson's Hardware, 6 James Street, Cookstown
T Scott, 8 Ballygillen Road, Cookstown
D Howard, Ulster Livestock Care, 11 Ballygoney Road West, Moneymore
R L Hewitt, Main Street, Tullyhogue
McVey Bros, Molesworth Street, Cookstown
J N Sinclair, The Square, Stewartstown
Simpson's Building Supplies, Sandholes Road, Cookstown
P McLernon, Rock Dungannon
T Hutchinson & Sons, 4 Ballygillen Road, Cookstown
Moneymore Farm Supplies, Mill Lane, Moneymore
Holmes Cash & Carry, 6 Sandholes Road, Cookstown.

5 REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONAL SERVICES

A copy of the above report had been previously circulated. The Committee adopted the report together with the following matters contained therein.

5.1 Refuse Collection & Waste Disposal Charges from 1 April 2012 Forthill Cemeteries from 1 April 2012

The Committee RECOMMENDED that the increase in charges for the above services are implemented from 1 April 2012.

5.2 Magheraglass Transfer Station

The Director of Operational Services reported on the project at Magheraglass Transfer Station. The Director of Operational Services advised the meeting that there were outstanding remedial works to be completed and that robust discussions were ongoing with both the contractor and the architect.

The Committee AGREED that any additional costs should be borne by the contractor and architect for the remedial works.

5.3 Contract for Processing of Mixed Dry Recyclables

On the proposal of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor McNamee the Committee RECOMMENDED that the contract for the processing of mixed dry recyclables from Council's blue bin scheme is awarded to Recyco for a four year period commencing 1 April 2012.

5.4 Former Site NI Water Depot

The Director of Operational Services advised the meeting that he had made inquiries regarding this 0.8 acre site and offers were invited from £65,000.

The Committee RECOMMENDED that the Director of Operational Services submits an initial offer and agreed an appropriate bandwidth for further bids, if required.

5.5 Lough Fea

Councillor McGarvey referred to the poor condition of the path around Lough Fea and the dog fouling on the path.

The Director of Operational Services reported that the situation regarding dog fouling will be monitored and that the path will be repaired when the water levels permit.

5.6 Ballyronan Marina Woods Path

Councillor McFlynn referred to the woods path at Ballyronan Marina

and advised that this path had washed away.

The Director of Operational Services reported that the is seeking funding to enable the path to be stoned and if successful the path will be upgraded when water levels permit.

6 MINUTES

On the proposal of Councillor Mallaghan, seconded by Councillor Kelly the Committee RECOMMENDED the ADOPTION of the Minutes of VILLAGE REGENERATION meeting of the Council held on 1 February 2012

7 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 Review of Public Administration - Voluntary Transition Committees

The Committee considered a letter dated 15 February 2012 from Minister of the Environment regarding the restoration of the Voluntary Transition Committee.

Members were in agreement that the reform of local government was proceeding and to participate in the process. However, prior to the appointment of members to the Transition Committees it was agreed that clarification was required on how the process would be funded and how committees would be constituted.

7.2 Draft Programme for Government (2011-2015), Draft Investment Strategy (2011-2021), and Draft Economic Strategy (2011-2030)

The Committee considered Council's responses to the NI Executive's Consultations on the Draft Programme for Government (2011-2015), Draft Investment Strategy (2011-2021), and Draft Economic Strategy (2011-2030).

The Chief Executive (Acting) advised members that these responses had been forwarded to the Departments on the basis that if Council required further amendments that they could be included after the meeting.

On the proposal of Councillor McGarvey, seconded by Councillor Clarke the Committee RECOMMENDED that the draft responses are adopted.

7.3 Committee for Regional Developments Inquiry into Unadopted Roads in Northern Ireland

Councillor McCrea declared an interest in this matter.

The Committee considered email dated 9 February 2012 from the Committee for Regional Development regarding Inquiry into Unadopted Roads in Northern Ireland.

Members AGREED that a response would be prepared by the Director of Operational Services to this matter.

7.4 NILGA - Annual Business Plan and Subscription 2012/12

The Committee considered a letter dated 8 February 2012 from NILGA regarding the above.

Councillor Wilson stated that he could see no mechanism for measuring defined targets set in the Business Plan and asked the Chief Executive (Acting) to refer this matter to NILGA.

On the proposal of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Glasgow the Committee RECOMMENDED that the subscription for 2012-13 is renewed at a cost of £7,320 (excluding VAT).

7.5 Funding of Local Government Reorganisation

The Committee considered a letter dated 10 February 2011 for, National Association of Councillor regarding above.

The Committee again expressed their concern regarding the onus that funding for the reform of Local Government would have to met solely by Councils.

7.6 Traffic Calming Proposals for Coolreaghs Road, Cookstown

The Committee considered a letter dated 16 February 2012 from Roads Service regarding the above

The Chief Executive (Acting) advised members that correspondence had been received from the public opposing these ramps.

Councillor Glasgow stated that he was against the introduction of

these ramps. Councillor McGarvey stated that whilst there may be a need for them it was his opinion that the number that were being processed was excessive.

Councillor Wilson stated that he had been in favour of a scheme but felt that what was being proposed was excessive and had produced a negative response from the public.

It was AGREED that the Chief Executive (Acting) would contact Roads Service and ascertain if the initiative was proceeding.

7.7 Parts III & IV of Northern Ireland Act

The Committee NOTED receipt of a letter dated 15 February 2012 from the Assembly and Executive Review Committee regarding the context of reviewing the size of the Assembly and the number of NI departments).

7.8 Letter of Offer – Town Centre Regeneration

On the proposal of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Quinn the Committee RECOMMENDED to accept the letter of offer from the Department of Social Development dated 1 February 2012 approving Council's 'Cookstown Revitalisation Project' (Phase 2 of Cookstown Shop Improvement Scheme). It was further agreed to procure for a suitably qualified Chartered Architect to assist in the delivery of the scheme.

7.9 Annual Monitoring Report - Indoor & Outdoor Leisure Policy

On the proposal of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor McGarvey the Committee RECOMMENDED the adoption of the Annual Monitoring Report on the Equality Impact Assessment of the Indoor & Outdoor Leisure Policy.

8 FINANCE

8.1 Revenue/Capital Payments

On the proposal of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Quinn the Committee APPROVED revenue/capital payments for the month January 2012.

General Revenue	£ 1,389,467
Capital	£ 120,733

RECEIPTS

The financial statement book of receipt was produced showing the sum which had been received during the month January 2012

General Revenue	£1,387,303
Capital	£

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 NILGA Awards

Councillor Clarke advised the meeting that Cookstown District Council had been awarded the prize 'Best EU Funded Project' for Multi-sectoral Tendering Programme 2011 at the Local Government Awards - Northern Ireland.

The meeting ended at 8.40 pm.

Chairman

Clerk/Chief Executive

Date