

**Minutes of Meeting of the Development Committee of Mid Ulster District Council  
held on Thursday 8 December 2021 in the Council Offices, Ballyronan Road,  
Magherafelt**

**Members Present**

Councillor Molloy, Chair

Councillors Ashton\*, Black, Burton\*, Clarke\*, Corry\*, Cuddy,  
Elattar\*, Kerr\*, McNamee\*, Milne\*, Monteith\*, and Quinn\*

**Officers in  
Attendance**

Mr McCreesh\*\*, Chief Executive  
Ms Campbell, Strategic Director of Environment  
Mr Browne, Head of Tourism  
Mr Gordon, Assistant Director of Health, Leisure and  
Wellbeing  
Mr Hill\*\*, Head of Parks  
Ms Linney\*\*, Assistant Director of Development, Strategic  
Community Development  
Mr McCance, Head of Culture & Arts  
Ms McKeown\*\*, Assistant Director of Economic  
Development, Tourism & Strategic Programmes  
Mr Brown, ICT Support  
Mrs Forde, Member Support Officer

**Others in  
Attendance**

Cllr D McKinney\*\*\*

\* Denotes Members present in remote attendance

\*\* Denotes Officers present by remote means

\*\*\* Denotes Others present by remote means

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm.

*The Chair, Councillor Molloy welcomed everyone to the meeting and those watching the meeting through the Live Broadcast. Cllr Molloy in introducing the meeting detailed the operational arrangements for transacting the business of the committee in the chamber and by virtual means, by referring to Annex A to this minute.*

**D211/21 Chair's Business**

The Chair, Councillor Molloy said he had been approached by residents of the district who were elderly and had asked if steps could be put into the shallow pool end of the pool in Dungannon. He said although there was hoists some people did not require that level of assistance just a more accessible way of entering the water for example steps.

Proposed by Chair, Councillor Molloy  
Seconded by Councillor Monteith and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council that officers explore the possibility of increased access for those with mobility issues and not requiring a 'lift' but needing a more accessible way to enter the water - for example steps.

The Chair Councillor Molloy drew attention to Covid passes being required at hospitality establishments and said he had received reports about staff being verbally abused by members of the public in relation to the issue. The Chair, requested that the public be mannerly when staff at hospitality establishments were only doing their job.

The Chair, Councillor Molloy extended best wishes to Michael Browne and Nigel Hill who were both leaving the Council and thanked them for the work they had done and wished them well for the future.

Councillor Monteith concurred.

Councillor Burton referred to the matter of Covid passes and said that as Chair of the Tourism Group she had been inundated with reports of staff left in tears on the issue. She said that there was a lot of frustration regarding the matter and it had also been raised at Environment Committee. She said that through the Tourism Whatsapp group they were endeavoring to support establishments but it was difficult times.

Councillor Burton also wished Michael and Nigel well for the future together with other colleagues who were moving on.

Councillor Quinn concurred with previous comments extending best wishes to Michael and Nigel for the future.

Councillor Kerr concurred.

Councillor Milne also extended best wishes to Michael and Nigel and thanked them for all they had done in the past.

Councillor Clarke said both officers had made great progress and brought expertise to their area he said the changes in their sectors bears testimony to their success. He highlighted great progress in their area of expertise and wished both well. He said the changes in their sector bears testimony to their success.

Councillor Cuddy added best wishes on behalf of the UUP. He said both had big personalities and their expertise and professionalism had been an asset to Mid Ulster.

Michael thanked Members for their kind words and said that across his 37 year career in local government the last 7 years had been the most rewarding. He said it had been a pleasure to watch and contribute to Mid Ulster blossoming as a district. He wished his colleagues staying on all the best with future careers and concluded wishing Members all the best for Christmas and the future.

Nigel reiterated Michael's comments and stated that he too had enjoyed his career and the support of Members, directors and colleagues in new Council and whilst challenging

on occasions it had been great to see improvements. He concluded saying he wished everyone well for the future and would keep an eye on things!

## **D212/21 Apologies**

Councillor Doris, Hughes and Wilson

## **D213/21 Declarations of Interest**

The Chair, Councillor Molloy reminded Members of their responsibility with regard to declaration of interest.

Councillor Monteith declared an interest in Agenda Item: 7 Community Development Ballysaggart Area Community Association

Councillor Cuddy declared an interest in in Agenda Item: 7 Community Development Aughintober Regeneration

Councillor Clarke declared an interest in in Agenda Item: 7 Community Development Broughderg Area Development Association

Councillor Quinn declared an interest in in Agenda Item: 7 Community Development Derrytresk Community Projects

Councillor Corry declared an interest in Agenda item 5 Seachtain na Gaeligle and agenda item 12 Moydamlaght Forest Project

## **D214/21 Deputation**

The Chair, Councillor Molloy welcomed Mr Beatty, Clogher Valley Rugby Club to the meeting. Mr Beatty made presentation to the Committee (appendix one).

The Chair Councillor Molloy thanked Mr Beatty for the presentation noted the ambition and superb work to date and invited Members questions.

Cllr Monteith commended the club on their work and presentation.

Councillor Burton welcomed the presentation and stated that being a Clogher Valley Councillor she had been devastated that funding opportunities had not materialized and stated that she was delighted that the Club had continued their efforts to progress. She highlighted that the people, businesses and organisations of the Clogher Valley would work in co-operation and highlighted the Youth Annex as an example of buy in also from Fermanagh and Omagh. She said that officers would endeavor to promote co-operation at every opportunity possible. Councillor Burton also highlighted that the population of the Clogher Valley had a high percentage of elderly people and it was good to see ideas incorporated in the plan. She concluded that it was excellent that the project was spade ready should a funding opportunity present itself.

Mr Beatty said that the Club also does a lot of work with mental health charities as they had sadly lost a member to suicide. He also highlighted that there was a lot of loneliness in the older end of the population.

Councillor Kerr commended the club on the presentation, progress to date and their engagement with mental health charities.

Councillor Cuddy said he was a rugby enthusiast and had played with Dungannon. He said it had been great to see Clogher Rugby Club forming back in the 1990s and how they had progressed. He acknowledged their difficulty being on the fringe of the district and said that Councillor Graham the UUP representative in Clogher Valley would work with them to endeavor to progress the project.

Mr Beatty said the club had been formed in 1990 and they had recently added two teams, they had a ladies team and 'rugby bees' for 3 years up. He said they had a facebook page and website and would simply not survive without the community and they wanted to give back to them.

The Chair, Councillor Molloy thanked Mr Beattie for the presentation and said Council would assist however they could.

## **Matters for Decision**

### **D215/21      Seachtain na Gaeilge 2022**

The Head of Culture and Arts presented the previously circulated report that regarding a call for Expressions of Interest from interested groups and individuals seeking to deliver activities and projects designed to encourage and promote use of the Irish Language as part of Seachtain na Gaeilge 2022.

The Head of Culture and Arts sought approval to progress the recommendations outlined in the report.

Councillor McNamee proposed the recommendation and commended Seachtain na Gaeilge on their 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary saying it was a tremendous milestone.

Proposed by Councillor McNamee  
Seconded by Councillor Monteith and

**Resolved**      That it be recommended to Council to the

- (i)      reallocation of budgets as presented in the Action Plan approved by Council in July 2021, (i.e. to increase the Seachtain na Gaeilge 2022 allocation by £4,500 and to reduce the schools Irish Language and Heritage Programme by £4,500); and
- (ii)     progress the call for Expressions of Interest to be issued inviting submissions from interested groups and individuals seeking to deliver activities and projects designed to encourage and promote use of the Irish Language as part of the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Seachtain na

Gaeilge programme in March 2022 with a revised budget allocation of £7,500

**D216/21      Community Access and Inclusion - Accessible Outdoor Seating Benches Support**

The AD: D,SCD presented the previously circulated report regarding the Department for Communities Community Access and Inclusion Programme and sought agreement to deliver accessible benches to community facilities within the remit of the programme. Approval was also sought to seek quotation for the accessible benches.

In response to Councillor Corry's query the AD: D,SCD advised that should the programme be oversubscribed officers will explore both criteria and further funding options to deliver.

In response to Councillor Kerr's query the AD: D,SCD clarified that the benches would be accessible and stipulated criteria would be met.

Councillors Quinn and Clarke welcomed the project and commended officers on progress to date.

The AD: D,SCD commended the Head of Culture and Arts on the report.

Proposed by Councillor Corry  
Seconded by Councillor Kerr and

- Resolved**      That it be recommended to Council to
- (i)      Participate in the DfC Community Access and Inclusion - Accessible Outdoor Seating Benches Support scheme and deliver the Accessible benches support within the remit of the programme; and
  - (ii)      Seek quotation for the accessible benches.

**D217/21      Community Development**

The AD: D,SCD presented the previously report to provide an update on key activities and sought approval for the following

- Community Grants - to agree the rolling grant awards - Local Community Festivals,
- Good Relations and Decade of Anniversaries
- Emergency Support funding – to approve the venue/facility funding support awards; and
- Community Development - to update on Community Development.

*Declaration of Interest*

Councillor Burton declared an interest in the Bawn Community Groups as family were members.

- **Community Grants**

Proposed by Councillor Elattar  
Seconded by Councillor McNamee

**Resolved** That it be recommended to the Council to approve Community Festivals grant from rolling programme for 2 applications received and totalling £1440 as detailed in appendix 1 of the report.

- **Emergency Support funding**

Proposed by Councillor Kerr  
Seconded by Councillor McNamee

**Resolved** that it be recommended to Council to approve Emergency Support funding – In partnership with Department for Communities. The total allocation of grant awards totalling £118,056 as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.

- **Community Development - to update on Community Development.**

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to note the update on Community Development.

## **D218/21 Mid Ulster District Council Heritage Strategy**

The AD: D,SCD presented previously circulated report to update Members on proposals to engage external support to develop a five year Heritage strategy for Mid Ulster District Council.

Councillor Corry said she would be delighted to propose the recommendation and said there was a lot of small sites which through time may have been damaged, she also said that townland names should be retained and there was much scope within a heritage package and the strategy was much needed.

In response to Councillor Quinn's query the AD: D,SCD said initially it would be a heritage strategy but long term it would take account of arts, culture, community and further strategies would be taken on board.

Councillor McNamee said that there had been discussions in the past regarding Ardboe Cross and means to protect its structure. He said that apparently there was a crack across the circle of the cross.

In response the Head of Culture and Arts said that Historic Buildings Division were aware of the situation but he would engage with them for a further inspection for the site.

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to make contact with Historic Environment Division to request an inspection of Ardboe Cross in light of the appearance of further cracks in its structure.

Councillor Burton said there was a number of remains of Castles throughout the area and spoke of being at Lumfords Glen and seeing the old stone signpost for Omagh Road. She also made mention of the railway discussed at the November committee and said she would welcome many of these projects being brought back to committee. She said she had had calls from residents who had picked up with ABC Council regarding their work with railways and it would do much for the area to further develop the heritage sector.

Councillor Cuddy requested an update on the two tunnels in Dungannon.

In response the SD: Environment said that the Head of Parks had brought a report the previous month and that officers had engaged with DfI Roads and discussions were in progress and a further update would be provided early 2022.

In response to Councillor Cuddy's enquiry regarding the smaller tunnel in Dungannon that would link Dungannon Park and Windmill Wood the SD: Environment said that the matter was being followed up with NI Water.

Proposed by Councillor Corry  
Seconded by Councillor Quinn and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to procure support to develop a five year Mid Ulster District Council Heritage Strategy and to approve allocation of up to £15,000 from existing 2021/22 budgets within Culture & Arts Services;

#### **D219/21 School Sports Facilities Access Grant**

The AD: HLW presented previously circulated report and sought approval to allocate schools sports facilities access grants as detailed.

Members noted access of £8850 had been derived from underspend in other sport programmes

In response to Councillor Ashton's enquire the AD: HLW referred to appendix two of the report which outlined details as to why applications had not met the criteria and advised one had not demonstrated community use the other had not met criteria for school use.

Councillor Ashton said that opening up schools estates for community use was something she was very keen on and stated that Council and Members in their areas should endeavour to bring more projects forward post lockdown.

The Chair, Councillor Molloy concurred saying that this should be progressed and duplication of facilities avoided. He also said it was excellent for schools to be opened after hours and Council may need to look for further funding.

Councillor Burton said some schools were very old but concurred that Council needed to work further with the community especially in areas like Clogher and Caledon to be able to provide more sporting opportunities.

Proposed by Councillor Ashton  
Seconded by Councillor Burton and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council that further projects be explored and developed with the Department of Education to open up schools estate for community and sports use outside of school hours.

Proposed by Councillor Ashton  
Seconded by Councillor Burton and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to award School Sports Facilities Access Grants to:

- (i) Cookstown Hockey Club: Application to be funded at £4,500;
- (ii) Dungannon Ladies Hockey: Application to be funded at £4,500;
- (iii) Errigal Ciaran GAC: Application to be funded at £2,800;
- (iv) St. Mary's Primary School, Pomeroy: Application to be funded at £4,050;
- (v) St. Oliver Plunkett GAC: Application to be funded at £3,000

#### **D220/21 Sports Representative Grants**

The Assistant Director Health, Leisure & Wellbeing presented previously circulated report to present to Members the proposed community grant allocations for the Sports Representative Grant - Team and Individuals (November 2021).

Proposed by Councillor Kerr  
Seconded by Councillor Clarke

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to note the contents of the report and grant approval for the sports grant allocations as recommended to the value of one Individual £200.

#### **D221/21 Northern Ireland Forest Schools Awards Scheme**

The Head of Parks presented previously circulated report regarding the NI Forest Schools Awards scheme and sought approval to register and engage with Northern Ireland Forest Schools Association (NIFSA) to develop a schools programme in Mid Ulster District Council area for an extended two year programme 2021 – 2023.

Councillor McNamee proposed the recommendation.

Councillor Burton welcomed the project and said it was budget well spent.

Councillor Corry said it was a great programme but as she had requested last year also she would like to see more participation in the Derry side of the district.

In response the Head of Parks said they were happy to roll out the project but it required resources. He said Council could engage with schools and also that there was a shortlist

of schools which he would check where they were from and update the Member. He concluded that Covid had presented its difficulties but with virtual events and social distancing the programme had continued.

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council that officers explore the further development of the NI Forest Schools Award Scheme to include schools in the north of the district.

Proposed by Councillor McNamee  
Seconded by Councillor Burton

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to

- (i) Register Mid Ulster District Council with Northern Ireland Forest Schools Association and continue with a programme to engage local schools and youth groups to embrace local parks and greenspace where feasible across the district; and
- (ii) To provide a shared contribution of £6,000 per annum towards programme support costs (subject to available resources) from the 2021/22 budget and subject to approval of the 2022/23 budgets, funded by the Culture & Arts and Parks Departments of Mid Ulster District Council.

#### **D222/21 Moydamlaght Forest Project**

The Head of Parks presented previously circulated report seeking Council approval to engage a suitably qualified ICT Team to carry out site scoping and survey works linked to the development and public access to Moydamlaght Forest.

Councillor Clarke proposed the recommendation and said he was involved with tourism partnership and said this would be a great asset to the proposed walking festival and welcomed the improvements.

Councillor Elattar welcomed the work and seconded the proposal.

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Elattar

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to progress tender and procure the necessary ICT Team to carry out all associated site scoping and survey works on lands linked to the Moydamlaght Forest project at an estimated cost of £15,000. The budget is identified under MUDC Capital Programme 2020-2024 as part of the Outdoor Recreation Strategy subject to Council approval of annual capital budget allocations.

#### **D223/21 Requests for Support**

The Assistant Director Health, Leisure & Wellbeing presented the previously circulated report updating Members of requests for support for aspirational projects at Castlecaulfield pitches and Clogher Valley Rugby Club.

Councillor Cuddy welcomed the initiatives and said that it was important to bring Castlecaulfield up to standard and this would be a move in the right direction. In relation to Clogher Valley Rugby Club Councillor Cuddy said his thoughts would be that they were looking more than a letter. Councillor Cuddy said Clogher Valley situation should be further explored in closed business.

Councillor Burton said that Castlecaulfield had done a great work with young people and anything Council could do to progress should be supported. With regard to Clogher Valley Rugby Club she said a lot of people using the facility in the future pay their rates to Mid Ulster and she would hope that support would be more than a letter. She said that they may need help putting applications together and she would like to see this progressing.

Proposed by Councillor Burton  
Seconded by Councillor Black

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to grant approval to officers

- (i) Assist the stakeholders involved with Castlecaulfield and provide support in developing an overall masterplan for the Castlecaulfield site;
- (ii) Providing a letter of support to Clogher Valley Rugby Club and work with them to help secure any grant funding they could apply to in the future and invite club representatives to attend a future Development Committee to make a presentation.

#### **D224/21 Fairhill Bowling Pavilion**

The Assistant Director Health, Leisure & Wellbeing presented the previously circulated report providing information on the Fairhill Bowling Pavilion, Cookstown and to seek approval for temporary works pending a full review of the Fairhill facility.

Councillor McNamee proposed the recommendation.

Councillor Cuddy seconded the recommendation saying that Councillor Wilson had put a lot of work into progressing improvements,

Proposed by Councillor McNamee  
Seconded by Councillor Cuddy

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to give approval for Officers to commission a procurement process and install temporary modular changing accommodation on site at Fairhill Bowling Pavilion pending outcome of the condition survey and business case development for the Fairhill facilities subject to agreement of inclusion in the 2022/23 rates estimates process.

**D225/21      Feasibility Studies into the Development of Community Trails at Cabin Wood and Tullyhogue**

The Head of Parks drew attention to the previously circulated report seeking approval to work with Outdoor Recreation NI in the production of Feasibility Studies into the development of Community Trails at Cabin Wood and Tullyhogue.

Councillor McNamee proposed the recommendations stating it was a great opportunity to open up trails.

Proposed by Councillor McNamee  
Seconded by Councillor Cuddy

**Resolved**      That it be recommended to Council to progress with the partnership arrangement with ORNI for the completion of Feasibility Studies for the creation of Community Trails at Tullyhogue and Cabin Wood with a council contribution/match funding of £6,400; budget identified under MUDC Capital Programme 2020-2024 as part of the Outdoor Recreation Strategy subject to Council approval of annual capital budget allocations.

**D226/21      Economic Development OBFD**

The Assistant Director of Economic Development, Tourism & Strategic Programmes presented previously circulated report to provide members with an update on key activities and sought approval for the following:

- **Economic Recovery: Sub-Regional Development Funding from Invest NI**  
A new call has opened from Invest NI regarding an Economic Recovery: Sub-Regional Development Funding stream. Invest NI has now secured funds to support research to be undertaken by Councils, for the economic benefit of their sub-region. It was noted that the call opened on 3 November and closed on 19 November 2021.

Proposed by Councillor Kerr  
Seconded by Councillor Cuddy

**Resolved**      That it be recommended to Council to approve

- (i)      Sub Regional Development Funding from Invest NI – Mid Ulster Economic Growth and Recovery Plan 2022-26
  - Retrospectively approve Council's bid to Invest NI, totalling £25,000 to carry out a Mid Ulster Economic Recovery and Growth Plan 2022-2026 and commit funding in the region of £5000 towards the initiative, if required, from Councils economic development budget.
  - Grant approval to officers to issue an invitation to quote on an 'at risk' basis to procure an organisation to undertake and complete all work by end of February/early March 2022 at a cost of up to £25,000 (including expenses and excluding VAT);

- In the event Council receives a funding offer from Invest NI, to approve delegated authority be awarded to the Chief Executive to accept the Letter of Offer and proceed immediately to appoint the successful organisation to carry out the assignment.
- (ii) Retrospectively approve Council's participation in four additional Council Collaborative bids, and approve a financial contribution towards these in the region of £10,000 if required, from Council's economic development budget. Final details on match funding requirements to be provided to Committee once confirmed by the Lead Councils, subject to success of bids as outlined in the report; (a) Review of Agri-Food Producers and Markets; (b) Scoping New and Emerging Funding Opportunities; (c) Revised Business start up Approach and (d) Place based approaches to supporting economic development.

- **Renewal of Membership with NI Chamber of Commerce 2022**

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Milne

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve Corporate Membership of NI Chamber of Commerce costing £3000 + vat for the period of 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022.

- **Mid Ulster Gift Card:**

The AD: EDT&SP advised that £2k would be utilised purchasing 20@£100 gift cards for Council facebook competition winners and the remaining £3k spent on distributing gift cards across the 11 recognised food banks that Council's community development team work with.

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Milne

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve up to £5000 from the economic development budget be used to purchase Mid Ulster Gift Cards this Christmas to benefit local citizens and distribute these through formal mechanisms with immediate effect.

- **Tourism Promotional Videos & Imagery**

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Milne

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve the development of a series of promotional tourism videos and imagery at a cost in the region of £20,000 (excluding Vat) from Council's existing economic development

budget and permit officers to proceed immediately seek competitive quotations for same.

- **Hospital Roundabout, Dungannon**

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Milne and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council approve that initial landscaping works be commissioned at the Hospital Roundabout, Dungannon to give this Gateway feature a much needed facelift. It is anticipated that this phase of the works will cost in the region of £20,000 and be funded from Council's economic development budget in 2021/22 to allow the Technical Services Team to initiate work on the scheme.

- **Town Centre Cleansing**

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Milne and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council approve and progress procurement exercise and appoint a suitable company to undertake a deep cleanse of the 5 largest town centres, at a cost of approximately £15,000 from the existing economic development budget.

- **Mid Ulster Business WhatsApp Platform**

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Milne and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve and progress procurement exercise to appoint a company to undertake the development of a new Mid Ulster Business Whatsapp Platform, costing in the region of £25,000 over a 3 year period (1+1+1) with funding from Council's economic development budget.

- **Cookstown Saturday Market**

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Milne and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve to procure and appoint a suitable company to conduct a Scoping Study and Comprehensive Action Plan to revitalize Cookstown's Saturday Market, costing in the region of £28,000 to be funded from Council's economic development budget.

*Declaration of Interest*

Councillor Kerr declared an interest in Coalisland Food Bank.

Councillor Kerr also asked if roundabout improvements could be widened out to other areas as many had not received attention for some time.

Councillor Monteith said whilst he welcomed improvements in Dungannon he would support the improvements across the district to include town cleansing. He said that the project for Dungannon should be as wide as possible highlighting areas such as top of Donaghmore Road and Shambles Lane which were access routes to the town but received little attention. Councillor Monteith requested that a report be brought back to committee.

In response the AD: EDT&SP said that she would bring report to future committee but would have to work within the remit of existing budgets.

Proposed by Councillor Monteith  
Seconded by Councillor Kerr and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to

- (i) bring a report to future committee exploring plans and costings for deep cleansing of towns and villages throughout the district
- (ii) bring a report to a future committee to explore the current condition of all strategic roundabouts in the district.

Councillor Burton proposed that the butterflies being removed from Dungannon roundabout should be recycled to Ballygawley roundabout. She said they should not be disposed of. She also sought clarity that the Whatsapp group outlined in the recommendations was in addition to the tourism Whatsapp group.

The Chair Councillor Molloy confirmed that the Whatsapp group was additional and concurred regarding the butterfly structures that they should be recycled.

Councillor Burton welcomed progress in local markets in both Cookstown and Dungannon and said they would attract people to the towns.

Proposed by Councillor Burton  
Seconded by Chair, Councillor Molloy and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to recycle the redundant butterfly planters and utilise them at for example the Ballygawley Roundabout.

## **Matters for Information**

### **D227/21 Minutes of Development Committee held on 11 November 2021**

Members noted Minutes of Development Committee held on 11 November 2021.

## **D228/21      Community Planning Draft Performance Statement 2019-2020**

Members noted previously circulated report.

## **D229/21      Environmental Health Reporting**

Members noted previously circulated report.

The SD: Environment drew attention to the new reporting structures and highlighted to Members that from January Environmental Health papers would be brought to the Development Committee.

Proposed by Councillor Monteith  
Seconded by Councillor Corry and

**Resolved**      That it be recommended to Council to host a workshop to provide training to Development Committee Members with regard to Environmental Health Reporting.

## **D230/21      Economic Development - OBFi**

Members noted update on key activities as detailed below:

- Cookstown Town Centre Forum Minutes 15.09.21 & 19.10.21;
- Coalisland Town Centre Forum Minutes 27.09.21
- High Street Task Force: Call For Evidence 2021
- TRPSI Rural Business Development Grant Scheme 2021/22
- NI Apprenticeship Week 2022 (NIAW2022)

*Live broadcast ended at 8.30 pm*

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

Proposed by Councillor Milne  
Seconded by Councillor McNamee

**Resolved**      In accordance with Section 42, Part 1 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 D231/12 and D223/12.

### **Matters for Decision**

### **Matters for Information**

D231/21      Confidential Minutes of Development Committee held on 11 November 2021

**D232/21      Duration of Meeting**

Councillor McKinney acknowledged he had known Michael a lifetime and said he wished to take the opportunity to wish both him and Nigel a healthy and wealthy retirement together with a happy Christmas.

The Chair, Councillor Molloy wished everyone a happy Christmas.

The meeting commenced at 7 pm and concluded at 8.45 pm

Chair \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Annex A – Introductory Remarks from the Chairperson**

Good evening and welcome to the Council's [Policy & Resources/Environment/Development] Committee in the Chamber, [Dungannon/Magherafelt] and virtually.

I specifically welcome the public watching us through the Live Broadcast. The Live Broadcast will run for the period of our Open Business but will end just before we move into Confidential Business. I let you know before this happens.

Just some housekeeping before we commence. Can I remind you:-

- If you have joined the meeting remotely please keep your audio on mute unless invited to speak and then turn it off when finished speaking
- Keep your video on at all times, unless you have bandwidth or internet connection issues, where you are advised to try turning your video off
- If you wish to speak please raise your hand in the meeting or on screen and keep raised until observed by an Officer or myself
- Should we need to take a vote this evening please raise your hand in the normal way and keep raised until advised to lower it
- When invited to speak please introduce yourself by name to the meeting
- For any member attending remotely, if you declare an interest in an item, please turn off your video and keep your audio on mute for the duration of the item
- If referring to a specific report please reference the report, page or slide being referred to
- Lastly, I remind the public and press that taking photographs of proceedings or using any means to enable anyone not present to see or hear proceedings, or making a simultaneous oral report of the proceedings are not permitted

Thank you and we will now move to the first item on the agenda.