

COOKSTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of proceedings of a **STATUTORY MEETING** of the Council held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 14 September 2004.

Present: T Wilson, Esq. Chairman

Councillors: Baker, Campbell, Cassidy, Glasgow MBE, Greer, Grimes, McAleer, A McCrea, I McCrea, McGarvey, McGlone, McIvor, McNamee, Molloy, and Parke

Officers: Clerk/Chief Executive
Director of Corporate Services
Clerical Officer

1 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

The Council on the motion of Councillor McGlone, seconded by Councillor Baker AGREED to Suspend Standing Orders in order to consider the following Notice of Motion:

1.1 To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor McGlone:

"That this Council opposes the introduction of water charges for small businesses and domestic users believing that it will cause hardship.

Council calls upon the Clerk/Chief Executive to write to the Minister and leaders of the major parties rejecting the introduction of water charges and raising concerns regarding equality issues."

Council AGREED to unanimously adopt the Notice of Motion.

2 MINUTES OF STATUTORY MEETING – 6 JULY 2004

The Minutes of the STATUTORY meeting held on 6 July 2004, a copy of which had been previously circulated, were ADOPTED on the proposal of Councillor McGarvey and seconded by Councillor Molloy.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Divisional Road Manager's Report

A letter dated 5 July 2004 was received from Mr Doherty, Divisional Roads Manager regarding responses to the above report.

Council was still of the opinion that the 'timing' of the traffic lights at Fountain Road/Cemetery Road/Chapel Street in Cookstown was causing severe traffic congestion and called for a meeting with the Divisional Roads Manager to discuss same.

3.2 Coagh United Football Club

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 26 August 2004 from Coagh United Football Club thanking members for the Civic Reception held in their honour for winning the Irish Football League Division Two Championship.

3.3 Moree Community Association

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 30 August 2004 from Moree Community Association thanking members for the Civic Reception held in their honour.

3.4 Lough Neagh Rescue

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 21 July 2004 from Lough Neagh Rescue thanking members for the donation toward the cost of providing a rescue service on Lough Neagh.

4 MINUTES OF LANGUAGE SUB COMMITTEE MEETING 23 AUGUST 2004

The Minutes of the LANGUAGE SUB COMMITTEE meeting held on 23 August 2004, a copy of which had been previously circulated, were ADOPTED on the proposal of Councillor Cassidy and seconded by Councillor McGarvey.

Councillor I McCrea stated that he was opposed to any change in the letter heading of the Council.

5 PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 MINUTES OF PLANNING CONSULTATION MEETING –10 SEPTEMBER 2004

Submitted schedule dated 14 September 2004, a 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.

DEFERRED APPLICATIONS

Ref No	Applicant	Development
I/99/0399/O development	P McGuckin Ardagh Road Ballinderry Bridge Coagh	Housing

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone and McIvor requested this application be referred to Divisional Planning Manager

I/02/0184/F . development	JJA Construction Turnaface Road Moneymore	Housing
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Members AGREED to the above approval being issued provided Planning Service was satisfied with the applicant's documentation.

I/04/0274/0	R Hutton Approx 60m NE 43 Ross Lane Roughan Road Stewartstown	Dwelling
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Councillor McGlone requested that the above application be referred to the Management Board.

I/04/0294/0	S McCusker 30m E	Dwelling
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Ballygillen Road
Coagh

Councillor McGlone requested that this application be deferred for two weeks.

I/04/0304/F	Frazer 110m NW 8 Craigs Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Cassidy, Glasgow, Parke requested that this application be referred to the Divisional Planning Manager

I/04/0328/0	Espie Adjacent to 38 Coagh Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Cassidy, I McCrea and Wilson requested that the above application be referred to the Divisional Planning Manager.

I/04/0422/0	C Quinn Adjacent to 64 Derrychrin Road Coagh	Dwelling
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Councillors McAleer, McGlone and Mclvor requested that the above application be referred to the Management Board.

I/04/0438/0	G Quinn Adjacent to 53 Aneeter Road Coagh	Dwelling
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Councillor McGlone requested that this application be referred to the Management Board

I/04/0492/0	J Gourley Beside 59 Knockaleary Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillor Molloy requested that this application be referred to the Divisional Planning Manager

I/04/0510/0 J Black Dwelling
Adjacent to
130 Coolreaghs Road
Cookstown

Councillors Cassidy and I McCreá requested that the above application be referred to the Divisional Planning Manager.

I/04/0554/0 J Johnston Dwelling
150m N
Ballygrooby Road
Moneymore

Councillor Wilson requested that this application be deferred for 1 month

I/04/0565/0 R Richardson Dwelling
40m SE
11 Lurgy Road
Newmills

Councillors I McCreá, McGlone and Parke requested that the above application be referred to the Divisional Planning Manager.

I/04/0578./0 M McCann Dwelling
180m W
3 Ballynagilly Road
Cookstown

Councillor McGarvey requested that this application be referred to Divisional Planning Manager

NEW APPLICATIONS

Ref No	Applicant	Development
I/03/0556/F	FP McCann Developments 200m NE 24 Windsor Terrace Ballinderry Bridge Road Coagh	Development

Councillors .Baker, McAleer, McGlone, and Mclvor requested and office meeting.

I/03/1098/F	D Harrison Opposite 15 Ballinderry Bridge Road Coagh	Development
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Councillor Parke requested an office meeting.

I/04/0172/0	Ms L Donaghy 250m N 29 Dirnan Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0181/F	FP McCann 80m W 77 Old Coagh Road Cookstown	Access
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Councillors Baker, Cassidy, McAleer, McGlone and Mclvor requested an office meeting.

I/04/0339/F	FP McCann Developments 80m W 77 Old Coagh Road Cookstown	Access
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Councillors Baker, Cassidy, McAleer, McGlone and Mclvor requested an office meeting.

I/04/0410/0 K Wensley Dwelling
160m W
14 Dunnabraggy Road
Moneymore

Councillor Greer

I/04/0440/0 J O'Hara Dwelling
280m SW
72 Kinturk Road
Stewartstown

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0441/0 P O'Hara Dwelling
80m SW
72 Kinturk Road
Cookstown

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0446/0 D Davidson Dwelling
250m N of junction of
Glenarny/Pomeroy Road
Cookstown

Councillors Cassidy, Glasgow, Parke

I/04/0580/F M Patterson 6 Apartments
1/2 Killymoon Street & 5 Houses
Cookstown

Councillors Cassidy, McGlone and McNamee requested an office meeting

I/04/0595/0 R Sloan Dwelling
Opposite
27 Ballygoney Road East
Cookstown

Councillors Glasgow, Greer, I McCrea, Parke

I/04/0607/0 B Mclvor Dwelling

240m S
14 Killygavan Road
Donaghey

Councillors Cassidy, Glasgow, Parke

I/04/0614/0 M Mclvor Dwelling
50m S
18 Derrychrin Road
Cookstown

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0619/0 R Beggs Dwelling
W
74 Sherrigrim Road
Cookstown

Councillors Glasgow, Parke

I/04/0622/0 G Warwick Dwelling
100m W
1 Killycanavan Road
Ardboe

Councillors Glasgow, Parke

I/04/0625/0 T Irwin Dwelling
160m NE
30 Kiltyclay Road
Cookstown

Councillors Glasgow, Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0627/0 P McGurk Dwelling
50m N
Blackrock/Corvanaghan Roads
Cookstown

Councillors, Cassidy, Grimes, Molloy

I/04/0633/0 T Bell Dwelling

200m SE
48 Coagh Road
Cookstown

Councillors Cassidy, Glasgow, I McCrea, McGlone, Parke

I/04/0634/0 R Higgins Dwelling
50m NE
181 Ballymaguire Road
Stewartstown

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, McIvor

I/04/0638/0 D Nugent Dwelling
460m E
68 Cavanoneill Road
Pomeroy

Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0640/0 D Sloan Dwelling
120m S
17 Annaghone Road
Stewartstown

Councillors Baker, Greer, I McCrea, McGlone, Parke, Wilson

I/04/0641/0 WJ Bleeks Dwelling
Rear
16 Coagh Road
Stewartstown

Councillors Baker, McGlone

I/04/0642/0 P McSorley Dwelling
100m NE
84 Claggan Road
Cookstown

Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0645/0 R Blair Dwelling
Adjacent to

16 Magheraglass Road
Magheraglass

Councillors Glasgow, Parke

I/04/0655/0	M&T Hegan 60m SW 22 High Cross Donaghey	Dwelling
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Councillors Glasgow, McGlone, Parke

I/04/0657/0	WJ Harkness 80m SE 4 Ballynagilly Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Glasgow, McGarvey, Parke

I/04/0662/F	P Devine Adjacent to 44 Old Coagh Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Cassidy, Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor – office meeting

I/04/0667/0	J Nugent 70m NW 251 Camlough Road Pomeroy	Dwelling
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Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0673/0	S Henry Adjacent to 127 Backlower Road Stewartstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0674/0	K Muldoon 240m N	Dwelling
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12 Feegarran Road
Creevagh
Cookstown

It was AGREED to defer this application for 1 month.

I/04/0681/0	P Rafferty 260m SW 37 Sluggan Road Gortnagarn Pomeroy	Dwelling
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Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0685/0	R McCaughey 37 Ballynagilly Road Creeve Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Glasgow, Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0686/0	R McCaughey 150m NW 37 Ballynagilly Road Creeve Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Glasgow, Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0689/0	N Bell Adjacent to 25 Turnaface Road Moneymore	Dwelling
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Councillors Greer, I McCrea, Parke

I/04/0692/0	O Wylie 20m W 18 Backlower Road Stewartstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Baker, Cassidy, Greer, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/697/0 S McLaughlin Dwelling
 260m W
 316 Pomeroy Road
 Pomeroy

Councillors Cassidy, Glasgow, Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0705/0 Harkness Dwelling
 60m S
 5 Tullycoll Road
 Cookstown

Councillors Baker, Glasgow, McGlone, Parke

I/04/0706/0 Cuddy Dwelling
 40m NW
 16 Shankey Road
 Stewartstown

Councillors Glasgow, Parke

I/04/0709/0 K Small Dwelling
 500m SW
 5 Mill Road
 Cookstown

Councillors Grimes, I McCrea, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0719/0 J McKernan Dwelling
 180m SW
 60 Tullyreavy Road
 Rock
 Pomeroy

Councillors Cassidy, Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0720/0 J Lagan Dwelling
 30m S
 29 Newline Road
 Cookstown

Councillors Cassidy, Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0723/0 O'Gara Dwelling
260m NW
46 Edendoit Road
Pomeroy

Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0728/0 Crooks Dwelling
130m SE
23 Turnaface Road
Feenan More
Moneymore

Councillors Baker, Greer, McGlone

I/04/0734/F P Mallon Shop
Union Place
Cookstown

It was AGREED to defer this application for one month.

I/04/0746/0 M McKenna Dwelling
230m S
93 Kinrush Road
Coagh

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0749/0 P Simpson Dwelling
Adjacent to
21 Moneyhaw Road
Moneyhaw

Councillor Greer, I McCrea

I/04/0753/0 McGeehan Dwelling
Adjacent to
46A Drumenny Road
Coagh

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0758/0 Sloan Dwelling

250MSE
8 Annaghmore Road
Stewartstown

Councillors Baker, McGlone, Parke, Wilson

I/04/0763/0	Quinn 50m SE 25 Dunamore Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0776/0	Thom 80m N 20 Craigs Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Glasgow, Parke

I/04/0779/0	Pollard Rear Fountain Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Cassidy, McGlone, I McCrea, Wilson – office meeting

I/04/0783/0	Charles 21 M SE Junction Drumnaglogh Cookstown	Dwelling
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Councillors Glasgow, I McCrea, Parke

I/04/0785/0	N Spence Opposite 8 Drumballyhugh Road Rock	Dwelling
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Councillors Glasgow, Parke

I/04/0788/0	G Watters	Dwelling
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100m E
27 Ballygonny Road
Moneymore

Councillors I McCrea, Wilson

I/04/0789/0 T Mullan Dwelling
60m S
10B Moss Road
Coagh

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0790/0 Mullan Dwelling
Rear
10B Moss Road
Coagh

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0808/0 McVey Dwelling
280m N
Ballynenagh PS
Loup

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0809/F A Forsyth Garage
26 Woodhouse Road
Killycolpy
Dungannon

It was AGREED to defer this application for 1 month.

I/04/0814/0 J Rooney Dwelling
Adjacent to
29 Donaghendry Road
Stewartstown

Councillors Baker, McAleer, McGlone, Mclvor

I/04/0827/0 R McKeown Dwelling
120m SE

28 Annahone Road
Cookstown

Councillors Baker, McAleer, I McCrea, McGlone, McIvor, Wilson

I/04/0833/0 P Devlin Dwelling
70m E
84 Knockaleery Road
Cookstown

Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0834/0 D Devlin Dwelling
320m E
19 Keenaghan Road
Cookstown

Councillors Cassidy, Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0840/0 J Mulgrew Dwelling
Adjacent to
33 Killucan Road
Cookstown

Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0861/0 C Cummings Dwelling
Adjacent to and N
32 Tullyodonnell Road
Rock

Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

I/04/0863/0 Nugent Dwelling
20m W
68 Cavanoneill Road
Cookstown

Councillors Grimes, McGarvey, Molloy

5.2 Planning Application I/02/0184/F JJA Construction

The Clerk/Chief Executive advised the meeting that copy correspondence had been received from Planning Services concerning letters from Doris and MacMahon querying the ownership of land on which the above development was to take place.

Council was of the opinion that this matter was best dealt with by Planning Service.

5.3 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Subject to the above amendments the Minutes of the PLANNING CONSULTATION meeting held on 10 September 2004, a copy of which had been previously circulated, were ADOPTED on the proposal of Councillor Molloy and seconded by Councillor Baker.

5.4 Sperrins/North Derry AONB Boundary Review

A letter dated 18 August 2004 was received from the Environment and Heritage Service regarding review of the boundary of both the Sperrin and North Derry Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Councillor McGarvey requested the Clerk/Chief Executive write to the Environment and Heritage Service expressing concern at any proposed extension to the area of natural beauty boundary.

6 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 Housing Executive

The Chairman welcomed Mr Sean Mackie, Regional Director, Mrs Oonagh McAvinney, Area Manager, Mr Brendan Adams, Senior Planner Northern Ireland Housing Executive to the meeting.

A copy of the Cookstown District Housing Plan had been previously circulated.

Mr Mackie elaborated on the report, answered a number of queries from members and undertook to have others investigated and to write to the various Councillors on the matters raised.

The Chairman thanked the officials for their attendance.

6.2 Consultation on Planning Policy Statement 14 – Sustainable Development in the Countryside

The Clerk/Chief Executive updated members on the the above consultation and reported that he would have a response prepared by John Greer and Michael Murray for the meeting on 21 September 2004.

6.3 Introduction Of Centralisation Arrangements For All Weekday Post Mortem Examinations At Belfast City Mortuary

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 28 June 2004 from State Pathology Branch concerning post mortem examinations.

6.4 Review of Public Administration

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 9 July 2004 from NILGA concerning the Review of Public Administration.

6.5 Regional Strategic Transport Network Transport Plan 2015 – Draft Equality Impact Assessment

A letter dated 23 July 2004 was received from Road Service regarding the above .

6.6 Reform of the Domestic Rating System in Northern Ireland

A policy paper Domestic Rating System issued by the Department of Finance and Personnel was considered.

It was AGREED that Councillors I McCrea, McGlone, Molloy, Parke and Wilson would meet to formulate a response.

6.7 Taking Our Place In Europe: Northern Ireland's European Strategy 2004-2008

Council NOTED receipt of a letter and consultation document 'Taking Our Place In Europe: Northern Ireland's European Strategy 2004-2008' issued by the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister.

6.8 Preparing for Emergencies – What You Need to Know

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 23 July 2004 from the Northern Ireland Office regarding the above.

6.9 Proposed Lough Neagh (Levels) Scheme 2004

A letter dated 28 July 2004 was received from the Rivers Agency regarding the levels of Lough Neagh.

Members were generally in agreement with the proposals but agreed that the interests of all legitimate users of the Lough should be taken into consideration.

6.10 Draft Financial Provisions (Northern Ireland) Order 2005

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 29 July 2004 and consultation on Draft Primary Legislation from the Department of Finance and Personnel.

6.11 Addressing the Decline in Electoral Registration in Northern Ireland

A letter dated 3 August 2004 was received from The Electoral Commission regarding the above.

Council AGREED to invite the head of the Electoral Service to a future meeting of Council and to write to the Electoral office in Ballymoney regarding the distribution of electoral forms in the Drum Manor Ward.

6.12 European Working Time Directive

Council NOTED receipt of a letter and briefing document dated 25 June 2004 from the British Medical Association regarding the extension of the European Working Time Directive to cover junior doctors.

6.13 Company Law Reform in Northern Ireland

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 30 June 2004 and consultation document 'Company Law' issued by the Department Enterprise Trade and Investment.

6.14 Anti-Social Behaviour (NI) Order 2004

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 28 June 2004 from the Northern Ireland Office regarding the above.

6.15 The Dangerous Wild Animals (NI) Order 2004

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 6 August 2004 and 'The Dangerous Wild Animals (NI) Order 2004 and explanatory memorandum issued by the Department of Environment.

6.16 Consultation on the Removal of the Disability Discrimination Act Part III Exemption for Providers of Transport Services

A letter dated 5 August 2004 and 'Consultation on the Removal of the Disability Discrimination Act Part III Exemption for Providers of Transport Services' was received from the Department of the Environment.

Council supported the aims of the consultation document.

6.17 Consultation on a Graduated Fixed Penalty and Deposit Scheme and Enforcement of Drivers' Hours Rules

Council NOTED receipt of 'Consultation on a Graduated Fixed Penalty and Deposit Scheme and Enforcement of Drivers' Hours Rules' issued by the Department for Transport.

6.18 Inclusion of 17 Year Olds In The Youth Court

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 4 August 2004 from the Northern Ireland Court Service regarding the above.

6.19 Review of Liquor Licensing Legislation

A letter dated 18 August 2004 was received from the Head of the Liquor Review Team seeking an opportunity to meet with Council representatives.

Council AGREED to meeting with the Liquor Review Team.

6.20 Taskforce on Obesity in Children and Young People

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 1 September 2004 from the

Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety regarding growing levels of obesity in children and young people.

6.21 Proposed Disabled Parking Bay at Orritor Street, Cookstown

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 27 August 2004 from Roads Service regarding the above.

6.22 Road Traffic and Vehicles Roads (Speed Limit) Order (NI) 1997 Extension to 40MPH Speed Limit on Ballinderry Bridge Road, Ballylifford, Cookstown

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 2 September 2004 from Roads Service regarding the above.

6.23 Application for the Amendment of A Road Service Licence – Sean Patterson, T/A Ace Coaches, Windmill Hill Road, Dungannon

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 31 August 2004 from Driver and Vehicle Licensing Northern Ireland regarding the above.

6.24 Royal Mail

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 6 September 2004 from Royal Mail regarding the Bank of Ireland offering its customers access to their bank accounts via their local Post Office branch.

7 NOMINATIONS

7.1 Rural Community Network

Council NOTED receipt of documentation from the Rural Community Network regarding elections to the new board.

7.2 Western Group Building Control Committee – Appointments of Chair and Vice Chair Positions

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 14 July 2004 from Omagh District Council regarding the above.

7.3 Review of Lough Neagh and Lower Bann Management Structures

A letter dated 23 July 2004 was received from the Environment and

Heritage Service regarding representation on the Lough Neagh Advisory Committee being reduced to one representative from the Council and seeking a nominee.

Council AGREED to continue to nominate two members to the Committee, namely Councillors Baker and Greer.

8 SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

8.1 NAC Annual General Meeting

Council AGREED to the attendance of Councillors McAleer and Parke at the National Association of Councillors Annual General Meeting from 24/25 September 2004 in the Burrendale Hotel, Newcastle at a cost of £160 per delegate plus accommodation.

8.2 Tourism Conference

Council NOTED the Tourism Conference from 23/24 September 2004 in the Canal Court Hotel, Newry at a cost of £150 per delegate plus accommodation

8.3 SOLACE Annual Conference

Council AGREED to the attendance of the Clerk/Chief Executive at the SOLACE Annual Conference from 12/14 October 2004 in Brighton.

8.4 16th National Tourism Conference

Council AGREED to the attendance of Councillors Cassidy, McAleer, McGarvey, McIvor, McNamee and an officer at the 16th National Tourism Conference from 25/27 November 2004 in Falls Hotel, Ennistymon at a cost of £150 per delegate plus accommodation.

8.5 Best Practical Environmental Option for Waste Management In Northern Ireland – A Political consideration

Council AGREED to the attendance of Councillors Greer, McAleer, McGarvey, McIvor and McNamee at the Best Practical Environmental Option for Waste Management In Northern Ireland – A Political consideration on 7 October 2004.

8.6 Planning for the Future

Council AGREED to the attendance of Councillors Glasgow, McGlone and Molloy at a morning seminar on Planning for the Future organised by NILGA/Planning Service Forum in Malone House, Belfast on Tuesday 12 October 2004.

9 PROPERTY LAND & EQUIPMENT

9.1 Lough Fea - Public Path Agreement – Department for Regional development and Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

On the proposal of Councillor McGarvey, seconded by Councillor I McCrea it was AGREED to sign and seal agreement re the above.

10 FINANCE

10.1 Shop Front Scheme

Council NOTED signing of Letters of Offer from Cookstown Local Strategy Partnership in respect of Cookstown Shop Front Scheme.

10.2 Friends of the Somme

On the proposal of Councillor I McCrea, seconded by Councillor Glasgow it was AGREED to the renewal of membership of Friends of the Somme and to the increase in the subscription due.

11 NOTICES OF MOTION

11.1 To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Molloy

"That this Council expresses its concern that there are approximately 50 elderly people in the Cookstown District waiting for Home Help services. Council calls on the Northern Health and Social Services Board and Homefirst Community Trust to review their existing funding budgets for Home Help services and take urgent steps to invest more money into these essential areas of care and therefore do away with the need for waiting lists."

Councillor Wilson declared an interest.

Council AGREED to adopt the notice of motion and to invite the new Chief Executive of Homefirst Community Trust to a future meeting of council.

11.2 To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Molloy

"Given that the new electoral registers are now in the process of being updated under the annual registration this Council calls on the Electoral Office to end the discrimination previously witnessed against people with learning disabilities. The Electoral Office should put in place procedures to assist those less able, for example people with Downs Syndrome, to get registered and to be able to vote in any future elections."

Council unanimously AGREED to adopt the notice of motion and to refer the matter to the Equality Commission.

12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 Challenge Fund for Short Rotation Willow Coppice

Council AGREED to write to the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development seeking an extension to the timescale within which applications have to be made for the above fund.

12.2 Civic Awards

The Clerk/Chief Executive tabled recommendations from the Civic Awards Sub Committee for recognition through Council's Civic Awards Scheme

On the proposal of Councillor I McCrea, seconded by Councillor Baker it was AGREED to adopt the recommendations of the Civic Awards Sub Committee.

12.3 Mobile Phones

It was AGREED that the Members' Services Sub Committee would meet to discuss changes in mobile phones.

The meeting ended at 9.10 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk/Chief Executive

Date

TABLED FOR INFORMATION

Minutes

Southern Education & Library Board
- 17 June 2004

REPORTS

Department of Finance and Personnel
Annual Report & Accounts 2003-04

Belfast City Council
Corporate Plan Year 2

Enterprise Northern Ireland
- Annual Report 2003-04

Planning Service
- Corporate & Business Plans 2004/05 and Annual Report 2003-04

Youth Justice Agency
- Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04

Public Service Reiview
- Devolved Government Summer 2004

Law Reform
- Annual Report 2003

Department Enterprise Trade and Investment
Energy

Ombudsman
Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04

Electoral Commission
Political Advertising

Rivers Agency

Corporate plan 2004-09 and Business Plan 2004-05

Omagh District Council
Report of Western Group Building Control Committee

Justice Oversight Commission
Second Report June 2004-08-05

BBC Northern Ireland
Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04

Strategic Investment Board
Annual Review and Summary Accounts 2004-04

Electoral Commission
Regional Referendum

Department of Health Social Services and Public Safety
The Facts about Water Fluoridation

Office of Law Reform
Consultation Paper on the Council of Europe Convention on Contact
Concerning
Children

Council for Nature Conservation & The Countryside
Sixth Report 2000-03

Housing Executive
Board Report 30 June 2004

Probation Board for Northern Ireland
Business Plan 2004-05

Northern Childcare Partnership
First Annual Review, Second Childcare Plan 2003/04 – 2005/06

Northern Health & Social Services Board
First Annual Review of the Northern Area Children & Young People's
Committee 2002-03

Electoral Commission
Corporate Plan 2004-05 to 2008-09