

COOKSTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of proceedings of a **STATUTORY MEETING** of the Council held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 14 September 2010.

Present: S Clarke, Chairman

Councillors: Glasgow MBE, Kelly, Lees, Mallaghan, Mayo, McCartney, McCrea, McElhone, McFlynn, McGarvey, McIvor, McNamee Quinn, Wilson

Officers: Director of Corporate Services
Director of Environmental Health
Clerical Officer

Other Representatives **Planning Services**
Ms S McCracken, Senior Planning Officer

1 APOLOGIES

An apology was received on behalf of Councillor McAleer.

2 MINUTES OF STATUTORY MEETING – 5 JULY 2011

The Minutes of the STATUTORY meeting held on 5 July 2011, a copy of which had been previously circulated, were ADOPTED on the proposal of Councillor McGarvey and seconded by Councillor McNamee.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Bilingual Sub Committee

Councillor McNamee requested that a meeting of the Bilingual Sub Committee is convened.

4 MINUTES OF AUDIT RISK & GOVERNANCE MEETING – 27 JUNE 2011

The Minutes of the Audit Risk & Governance meeting held on 27 June 2011, a copy of which had been previously circulated, were ADOPTED on the proposal of Councillor McElhone and seconded by Councillor Mayo.

5 PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 Schedule

Submitted schedule dated 9 August 2011 and 13 September 2011 copies of which had been previously circulated, showing details of the Department's opinion as to how planning applications within the District should be decided.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Ref No	Applicant	Development
I/11/0115/F	S Loughran 35m S 17 Tullydonnell Road Rock	Dwelling

The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application for 7 days.

I/11/0179/F	E Devlin 180m N 66 Brookmount Road Loup	Change of house type
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application

I/11/0196/F	McClellan 39 Cookstown Road Moneymore	Extension
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to defer this application.

I/11/0206/O	S Wylie Adjacent to and E 19 Grange Road Cookstown	Dwelling
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The Senior Planning Officer agreed to an office meeting.

Councillor Glasgow

6 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 Derryloran Bridge Scheme

The Chairman welcomed Messrs Harry Gallagher and Daniel Healy, Roads Service to the meeting.

Messrs Gallagher and Healy gave a presentation on the Derryloran Bridge Widening Scheme.. The main aims of the scheme are to improve the pedestrian and road user safety, improve traffic flow, reduce disruption to local residents and to address durability concerns.

The Chairman thanked the officials for their attendance.

Councillor McIvor and the Director of Environmental Health left the meeting at 7.45 pm.

6.2 Gritting of Roads

The Director of Corporate Services updated members on the negotiations between NILGA and DRD Roads Service on the proposal that councils might act as an agent of Roads Service in assisting with winter gritting on selected footways should winter weather conditions require this.

Members were of the view that a partnership approach involving DRD Roads Service, Local Traders and Businesses and the Council would provide the best solution.

Members were informed that work undertaken would need to have Roads Service insurance indemnity provided and that costs incurred were unlikely to be recovered. Should Council undertake this work then technical plant will have to be procured at a significant costs.

Members AGREED that the Director of Operational Services should bring a report and recommendation to a future meeting.

6.3 Consultation on the Implementation of Policing and Community Safety Partnerships

6.3.1 Department of Justice Consultation on the Implementation of Policing and Community Safety Partnerships

On the proposal of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Kelly it was AGREED to adopt the draft response on the Implementation of Policing and Community Safety Partnerships which had been circulated with the agenda papers.

6.3.2 Transitional Arrangements Relating to District Policing Partnerships

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 30 August 2011 from the Department of Justice regarding the transitional arrangements relating to District Policing Partnerships.

6.3.3 Political Representation on Existing District Policing Partnerships

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 5 September 2011 from NILGA regarding political representation on existing District Policing Partnerships

6.4 Watermains Rehabilitation Project, Cookstown Area

Council considered a letter dated 16 August 2011 from Northern Ireland Water regarding an investment of £7m in the area. The work is part of a wider water mains rehabilitation scheme taking place throughout Northern Ireland.

Members welcomed the investment and the improvement to the water mains but expressed concern at the lack of co-ordination between Government agencies when such schemes are generated. Councillor McGarvey stated that an example of this was the Carvanagh Road which had just been resurfaced in the last year but was now being dug up so that water mains can be laid.

It was AGREED that the Director of Corporate Services would write to the Minister regarding this matter.

6.5 Belfast City Centre Waiting List

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 15 August 2011 and Consultation on the Establishment of a Belfast Centre Waiting List.

6.6 Consultation on the Development of the Northern Ireland Renewable Heat Incentive

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 20 July 2011 from DETI regarding the above.

6.7 Localism Bill – European Fines

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 21 July 2011 from DoE regarding UK government amendments to the draft Localism Bill

6.8 Fine Default in Northern Ireland: A Consultation

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 21 July 2011 and Consultation on Fine Default in Northern Ireland.

6.9 Consultation on an Addendum and Delivery Programme to the Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy 2006-2020

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 28 July 2011 and Consultation on an Addendum and Delivery Programme to the Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy 2006-2020 issued by DoE.

6.10 Consultation on an a Draft Policy for Developing Advocacy Services – A Guide for Commissioners

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 27 June 2011 and Consultation on an a Draft Policy for Developing Advocacy Services – A Guide for Commissioners issued by DHSSPS.

6.11 Consultation on Minimum Standards for Childminding & Day Care for Children Under Age 12

Council considered a letter dated 1 August 2011 and Consultation on Guidance on Minimum Standards for Childminding & Day Care for Children Under Age 12 from DHSS&PS.

Council whilst welcoming the legislation was of the opinion that a

distinction should be made between professional childminders and family members who looked after children.

6.12 Revised Equality Scheme

On the proposal of Councillor McGarvey, seconded by Councillor Quinn Council AGREED to adopt the Revised Equality Scheme.

6.13 Consultation Document on Enabling Legislation for National Parks

Council NOTED receipt of a letter dated 30 August 2011 and Consultation Document on Enabling Legislation for National Parks issued by the Department of the Environment .

6.14 Consultation on a Draft Minimum Practice Framework for the Victims and Survivors Service

Council NOTED that a response to the letter dated 23 August 2011 and Consultation on a Draft Minimum Practice Framework for the Victims and Survivors Service issued by the Commission for Victims and Survivors would be dealt with by the political parties.

6.15 Sixth Periodical Review of Parliamentary Constituencies Publication of Provisional Proposals Report

Council NOTED that a response to the letter dated 30 August 2011 from the Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland regarding the above would be dealt with by the political parties

7 NOMINATIONS

7.1 Appointments to the Drainage Council for Northern Ireland

Council considered a letter dated 2 September 2011 from The Drainage Council for Northern Ireland regarding the re-appointment of Councillor Clarke to the Council.

On the proposal of Councillor McNamee, seconded by Councillor McElhone Council AGREED to the reappointment of Councillor Clarke to the Drainage Council for Northern Ireland.

8 TENDERS

8.1 Extension of Harbour Jetties

Following public advertisement four tenders were received by the return date for the proposed works at Ballyronan Marina and Caravan Park.

Company	Price
TAL Ltd, Lissie Industrial Estate, Lisburn	£296,749.70
AG Wilson 8 Upper Ballydougan Road, Portadown	£277,166.11
Deane Public Works Ltd Killadeas, Irvinestown	£279,825.50
DG Williamson Ltd 25 Pine Hill, Clogher, Lisburn	£299,950.00

Following assessment by Mark McAdoo (Cookstown District Council), Paul Glackin and Gregg McClements (R Robinson & Sons) the most economically advantageous tender, on the basis of the assessment procedure set out within the tender documents is that submitted by Deane Public Works.

On the proposal of Councillor McGarvey, seconded by Councillor McNamee Council AGREED to adopt the report and recommendation of the Director of Operational Services and to award the tender to Deane Public Works at a cost of £279,825.50.

9 SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

9.1 National Association of Councillors - AGM

Council AGREED to the attendance of Councillors Glasgow and McFlynn at the Annual General Meeting of the National Association of Councillors to be held on Wednesday 28 September 2011 in the Clandeboye Lodge Hotel, Bangor at a cost of £20 per delegate.

9.2 Tourism the Potential for Economic Growth

Council AGREED to the attendance of Councillors McAleer, McFlynn, McGarvey, Mclvor and McNamee at the Tourism the

Potential for Economic Growth conference organised by Clare Tourist Council on the 25/26 November 2011 in Falls Hotel, Ennistymon at a cost of €229 per delegate, plus accommodation.

10 FINANCE

10.1 Lough Neagh Rescue

Council considered a letter dated 10 August 2011 from Lough Neagh Rescue requesting financial assistance.

Council requested that prior to a financial contribution being made that it is ascertained what assistance is given to Lough Neagh Rescue by other Councils bordering the Lough.

11 NOTICES OF MOTION

11.1 To consider the following Notice of Motion in the names of Wilson, Glasgow and Kelly

""That this council congratulates Ballybriest Pipe Band on a very successful year in which they became All Ireland, British and European Champions in Grade4a and to Alicia Dickson, Matt Boyd Pipe Band, on becoming World Champion Drum Major that they are invited to a civic reception to celebrate their achievements".

Council unanimously AGREED to adopt the Notice of Motion.

12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 Charis Cancer Care

The Director of Corporate Services advised members that he had been contacted by a Mrs Eithane Gallagher advising that her daughters are doing the Dublin Marathon to raise funds for Charis. They will have a marquee outside Tempest on Sat 8 October and would like any member to visit and run (short distance) on any of two treadmills which will be provided on site.

12.2 Policy Resources & Services Meeting 27 September 2011

Councillor Wilson requested that consideration be given to changing the date of the Policy Resources & Services Meeting scheduled for the 27 September 2011 as this date coincided with the Patient Client Council public meeting which will be held in Ballymena.

Council AGREED that the Policy Resources & Services meeting would be held on 20 September 2011 following the Development meeting.

The meeting ended at 9 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk/Chief Executive

Date

TABLED FOR INFORMATION

Southern Education & Library Board
Minutes 18 May 2011

REPORTS

Parades Commission
Annual Report & Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2010

Clanmil Housing
Annual Report 2010/2011

Housing Executive
- Annual Progress Report on the Implementation of the Housing Executive
Rural Action Plan

Northern Ireland Law Commission
Report Vulnerable Witnesses in Civil Proceedings

Translink
Annual Review 201/11