You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of Coleraine Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on TUESDAY the 27th day of June, 2000 at 7.30 p.m.

H. W. T. MOORE,

Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

Cloonavin,
41 Portstewart Road,
COLERAINE.

AGENDA

1. Minutes (enclosed):
   1.1 Council Meeting – 23rd May, 2000
   1.2 Annual Meeting – 5th June, 2000

2. Committee Reports (enclosed):
   2.1 Leisure and Environment Committee – 6th June, 2000
   2.2 Planning Committee - 13th June, 2000
   2.3 Policy and Development Committee – 20th June, 2000

   (Item No. 6.0) Addendum to Council’s Equality Scheme (attached)

   (Item No. 14.0) Northern Corridor Railways Group

3. C.C.T.V. – Coleraine Town Centre (Report enclosed)
   Representatives of the Working Group will attend to present the Report.

4. Roads Service
   (a) Annual Report (enclosed)
   (b) Portrush Traffic Scheme (correspondence attached)
      The Divisional Roads Manager will be in attendance.

5. Correspondence
6. Documents for Sealing

**Enclosed for Information:**

(1) Minutes of the Meeting of the Northern Health and Social Services Council of 3\textsuperscript{rd} May, 2000

(2) Leaflet – “Keep Ambulances Free For Emergencies”

To: Each Member of Council. 23\textsuperscript{rd} June, 2000.
1.0 **DROWNING ACCIDENT - DRUMAHEGLIS MARINA**

The Mayor referred to the recent drowning accident at Drumaheglis Marina and expressed condolences to the bereaved families.

2.0 **TWINNING CELEBRATIONS**

Congratulations and thanks were extended to everyone involved in making the recent twinning celebrations such a success.

3.0 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 26th April, 2000 were confirmed and signed.

4.0 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

4.1 **Leisure and Environment**

The Chairman, Alderman McClure, moved the
Committee Report  

adoption of the Leisure and Environment Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Mathews.

Matters arising:

4.1.1 Entertainments Licence (Renewal) – The York Hotel, Portstewart  

The Director of Technical Services reported that five letters of objection had been received regarding the renewal of the Entertainments Licence for The York Hotel, Portstewart and outlined the main reasons of objection.

Mr. A. Anderson, 4 Station Road, Portstewart addressed Council objecting to the renewal of the application mainly because of the noise nuisance.

Mr. H. Pollock, applicant, addressed Council and elaborated on the measures being taken to eliminate the noise problem.

The Senior Environmental Health Officer had reported that the problem could be overcome by keeping all windows and doors closed during those times when entertainment is being provided.

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Dallat, seconded by Alderman Watt and agreed:

That the renewal of the Entertainments Licence be granted for six months from the date of renewal subject to all doors and windows being kept closed during entertainment.

If this proved unsatisfactory then consideration would have to be given to providing a noise limiter.

4.1.2 Portrush Harbour - Pleasure Trips  

Councillor Stewart declared an interest in this matter and left the Chamber whilst this item was considered.

Reported that a letter had been received from Mr. R. Cardwell, Portrush withdrawing his tender for the operation of pleasure trips for the next 3 year period.

Agreed:

That Council accept the remaining tender from Mr. R. D. Stewart at
£250.00 per annum to operate pleasure trips from Portrush Harbour.

4.1.3 Kilrea Landfill Site  
Reference was made to the problem of pollution at Kilrea landfill site. 

The Director of Technical Services would investigate the matter.

4.1.4 Clothes’ Bank – Portrush  
It was noted that the clothes’ bank in question was situated in Portstewart.

4.1.5 Litter  
Following concern expressed regarding litter it was agreed that this matter be placed on the Agenda for the Leisure and Environment Committee Meeting dated 6th June, 2000.

The Committee Report was, therefore, adopted subject to these amendments.

4.2 Planning Committee  
The Chairman, Alderman Watt, moved the adoption of the Planning Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Alderman Ms. Alexander.

Matters arising:

4.2.1 Planning Consultative Process  
Dissatisfaction was expressed regarding the planning consultative process in relation to the lack of information supplied to applicants during the consideration period.

Following discussion it was agreed that this matter be placed on the Agenda for a future Planning Committee Meeting.

The Committee Report was, therefore, adopted subject to this amendment.

4.3 Community/Police Forum  
The Chairman, Councillor Stewart, moved the adoption of the Community/Police Forum Report; this was duly seconded by the Deputy Mayor and agreed.

4.4 Policy and Development Committee  
The Chairman, Councillor McLaughlin, moved the adoption of the Policy and Development Committee Report; this was duly seconded by Councillor Stewart and agreed.

5.0 A STRATEGIC REVIEW OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND AMBULANCE SERVICE “MAPPING THE ROAD TO CHANGE” EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Mayor welcomed Mr. T. Frawley, Project Board Chairman who was in attendance to address Council on the Strategic Review of the Northern Ireland Ambulance Service “Mapping the Road to Change” Executive Summary (previously supplied).
Mr. Frawley elaborated on the Summary and emphasized that if the Northern Ireland Ambulance Service was to be improved, the design and implementation of an improved emergency care system would require a systematic approach to the prioritisation of emergency calls; faster ambulance responses, better trained staff and the development of wide whole systems approach. Investment in control and communications was essential to support this.

Mr. Frawley answered various questions raised by members.

It was agreed that Council endorse the recommendations in the Summary and urge Government to provide the necessary funding.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Frawley for attending after which he withdrew.

6.0 NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reported that Ms. J. Baird, District Manager, was unable to attend due to illness.

7.0 NOTICE OF MOTION - FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH

The undernoted Notice of Motion had been submitted by The Mayor:

“That this Council confer the Freedom of the Borough on Professor Gerry McKenna, Vice Chancellor of the University of Ulster, in recognition of his outstanding services to higher education in Northern Ireland and his unswerving commitment to working in partnership with the local community to develop a more prosperous Borough and Province.”

The Mayor proposed and spoke on the above Motion, which was seconded by Councillor Dallat, and adopted unanimously by Council.

8.0 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INSTALL COMMUNICATIONS APPARATUS AT MILLEN FARM, 61 NEWBRIDGE ROAD, COLERAINE

The Director of Environmental Health reported that the Department of the Environment had received notification on 26th April, 2000 from One2One Personal Communications Ltd. of the intention to erect a mobile telecommunications mast under Part 17 of Schedule 1 to the Planning (General Development) Order (N.I.) 1993 as amended by the Planning (General Development) (Amendment) Order (N.I.) 1998 at Millen Farm, 61 Newbridge Road, Coleraine. The proposal would be advertised in the local press.

Following discussion it was agreed that Council express concern regarding the potential adverse environmental impact that the proliferation of telecommunications masts will have on the countryside given that this new company is expanding its operation to the Borough. Council would wish the permitted development exemption to be revoked and the proposal to be subjected to full planning permission procedure to ensure that the operator has fully considered sharing with other installation providers.
9.0 **TENDERS - CRAIGHULLIAR LANDFILL SITE - TRANSPORTATION OF LEACHATE**

The Director of Technical Services’ Report on Tenders for Craigahulliar Landfill Site – Transportation of Leachate was considered (previously supplied).

Four tenders had been received as follows:

- McKitterick Plant ...............................£2.62/tonne
- Curran Waste Disposal .................... £3.10/tonne
- Hugo McCarron .................................£3.85/tonne
- McClarty & Co. .................................£8.00/tonne

Agreed:

That the lowest tender from McKitterick Plant for the sum of £2.62/tonne be accepted.

10.0 **RAILWAYS TASK FORCE**

Read letter from the Railways Task Force advising Council of the exercise now underway to consider the options for the future of railways in Northern Ireland. The Task Force was seeking the views of all interested bodies and would shortly be publicising consultation arrangements.

Following discussion it was agreed that a small working group, consisting of the following members, be established to examine the best way to proceed and to ensure maximum co-operation with neighbouring Councils in considering this matter.

   Aldermen King and McClure
   Councillors Dallat and Hillis

11.0 **NORTH-EASTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD**

Tabled:


12.0 **POLITICAL BRIEFING SEMINAR**

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive reminded members of the Political Briefing Seminar to be held in the Council Chamber on Thursday, 25th May, 2000 at 7.30 p.m.

Noted.

13.0 **DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING**

Resolved:

That the following documents be sealed:
1. Licence and Counterpart
   Coleraine Market Yard (Friday Market);
   Council –to- Mr. W. Close, Portglenone.

2. Contract Document and Counterpart
   Civic Amenity Facility and Associated
   External Works at Loughanhill Depot;
   Council –with- Patrick Bradley Ltd., Craiggall Quarry, Kilrea.

3. Car Loan Agreement
   Miss M. Mann, Tourism and Marketing Officer.

4. Licences
   Use of lands during North West ‘200’ period – May, 2000:
   (a) West Bay, Portrush and land at Ballyreagh Golf Course;
   (b) Land at Glen Road, Portrush;
   (c) Land at The Metropole and Sandhill Road, Portrush;
   (d) Land at The Pitts area, Portrush;

   Council –to- Coleraine and District Motor Club Ltd.

5. Cemetery Titles
   Registration Numbers 2592 – 2601 inclusive:
   Agherton  1
   Ballywillan  3
   Coleraine  3
   Portstewart  3

   Advance Deed
   Registration Number 0008:
   Portstewart  1
ANNUAL MEETING

Minutes of proceedings of Coleraine Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Cloonavin on Monday, 5th June, 2000 at 7.30 p.m.

Convened: As per Notice attached

Present: The Mayor, Councillor N. F. Hillis

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor O. M. Church (Mrs.)

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)         W. J. McClure
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)     W. J. Watt
W. H. King

Councillors

D. D. Barbour                 D. McClarty
E. T. Black (Mrs.)           G. L. McLaughlin
R. S. Bolton                  R. A. McPherson
J. M. Bradley                W. Mathews
W. T. Creelman               E. M. Mullan
J. J. Dallat                 E. O’Hara
B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)         R. D. Stewart
E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)

Officers in Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Leisure Services, Director of Environmental Health, Director of Corporate Services, Finance Officer, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

1.0 MAYOR’S REMARKS

The outgoing Mayor, Councillor Hills, reflected on the highlights of his past year in office and expressed his thanks to the Deputy Mayor, fellow Councillors and staff for their help and assistance during his term of office, he then submitted his formal resignation from the office of Mayor.

Members paid tribute to Councillor Hillis and the Deputy Mayor for the manner in which they had carried out their official duties.

2.0 ELECTION OF MAYOR

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that as Councillor Hillis would be seeking re-election the Deputy Mayor would preside over the election of Mayor.

The Deputy Mayor thanked fellow Councillors and staff for their help and assistance during her term of office.

2.1 Nominations Nominations were sought for the office of Mayor for the year 2000/2001.
It was proposed by Councillor McClarty and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Black:

That Councillor Mrs. Johnston be appointed Mayor for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Councillor McLaughlin and seconded by Councillor Mullan:

That Councillor Dallat be appointed Mayor.

It was proposed by Councillor O’Hara and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Dempsey:

That Councillor Mathews be appointed Mayor.

It was proposed by Councillor Bradley and seconded by Councillor Stewart:

That Councillor Hillis be appointed Mayor.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive then advised members of the election procedure (paper circulated) to be followed in the case of multiple nominations for the office of Mayor.

Members agreed to adopt the procedure as detailed in the paper.

On a vote being taken the candidates received the following votes:

Councillor Mrs. Johnston  8 votes
Councillor Dallat       4 votes
Councillor Mathews     5 votes
Councillor Hillis      5 votes

The candidate with the lowest vote, Councillor Dallat, was eliminated.

On a second round of voting the candidates received the following votes:

Councillor Mrs. Johnston  10 votes
Councillor Mathews      3 votes
Councillor Hillis       9 votes

Councillor Mathews was, therefore, eliminated.

On a third round of voting the remaining candidates received the following votes:
Councillor Mrs. Johnston  11 votes
Councillor Hillis   9 votes

Councillor Mrs. Johnston was duly elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

On taking the Chair, Councillor Mrs. Johnston signed the formal acceptance of office and expressed her thanks to Council for the honour bestowed on her.

3.0 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR


It was proposed by Alderman Watt and seconded by Councillor McPherson:

That Councillor Bolton be appointed Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Councillor Mullan and seconded by Councillor Dallat:

That Councillor Mrs. Dempsey be appointed Deputy Mayor.

It was proposed by Councillor Hillis and seconded by Alderman McClure:

That Councillor Mrs. Church be appointed Deputy Mayor.

Councillor Mrs. Church declined the nomination.

On a vote being taken, Councillor Bolton received eight votes and Councillor Mrs. Dempsey twelve votes.

Councillor Mrs. Dempsey was duly elected Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year and signed the formal acceptance of office.

Councillor Mrs. Dempsey expressed thanks to Council for her appointment.

4.0 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

DATES OF MEETINGS

Consideration was given to the Draft Timetable (previously supplied).

It was proposed by Alderman Watt, seconded by Councillor Stewart and agreed that the proposed timetable, as detailed, be adopted and that the current committee structure continue viz, all members be entitled to sit, with full voting status, on all committees.

5.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SELECT COMMITTEE

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that since the economic development strategy was currently under revision and the allocation of European Structural Funds for local economic development programmes had not yet been finalised, it may be appropriate to defer the appointment of representatives to the Economic Development
Select Committee to a future meeting of the Policy and Development Committee.

Agreed.

6.0 **APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES**

It was agreed that representatives, as undernoted, be appointed to serve on the following Committees:

(a) **Coleraine Borough Partnership**

   Aldermen King and Watt
   Councillors Barbour, Mrs. Black, Bolton, Bradley, Mullan and Stewart

(b) **Coleraine Local Action Group for Enterprise Ltd.**

   Councillors Bolton, Mrs. Church and Dallat

(c) **Coleraine Town Centre Partnership**

   The Mayor
   Alderman McClure
   Councillor O’Hara

(d) **Causeway Coast and Antrim Glens Ltd.**

   Councillor Hillis

(e) **Northern Group Environmental Health Committee**

   Councillors Barbour and Stewart
   Substitutes: Councillors McPherson and O’Hara

(f) **Northern Group Building Control Committee**

   The Mayor
   Councillor Mullan
   Substitutes: Councillors Barbour and Stewart

(g) **Coleraine Arts Committee**

   The Mayor and Deputy Mayor
   Alderman King
   Councillor McClarty

(h) **Coleraine and District Local Sports Advisory Council**

   Alderman Watt
   Councillors Bradley, McClarty and Mullan
(i) **Coleraine Twinning Association**

Councillors Mrs. Black, McLaughlin, McPherson and Stewart

(j) **Causeway Museum Service**

Aldermen Ms. Alexander and King

Councillors Mrs. Black, Mrs. Church and Barbour

(k) **Craighulliar Monitoring Committee**

Alderman Ms. Alexander

Councillors Bradley and Stewart

(l) **Bright Ideas Panel (Staff Suggestion Scheme)**

Alderman Ms. Alexander

(m) **Coleraine and District Home Safety Committee**

The Mayor

Councillor Bradley

(n) **Northern Ireland Housing Council**

Councillor Mullan

(o) **Northern Ireland Amenity Council**

Councillor Mrs. Black

(p) **Irish Society’s Local Advisory Committee**

The Mayor

Councillors Mrs. Black and Mrs. Church

(q) **Riverside Theatre Trust**

Councillor Mrs. Black

(r) **Management Committee of Coleraine Citizens’ Advice Bureau**

Councillors McLaughlin and Stewart

(s) **National Association of Councillors – General Management Committee**

Councillor Hillis
(t) National Association of Councillors – N.I. Region
Councillors Hillis, McLaughlin and Stewart

(u) Portrush Regeneration Trust
Councillor Hillis

(v) Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for Northern Ireland
Councillor Stewart

(w) Ulster Tourist Development Association
Councillor McPherson

(x) North West Regional Waste Management Group
Alderman King
Councillor Mathews

(y) Spanboard Liaison Group
Councillor Barbour

(z) Trustees of Giant’s Causeway and Bushmills Railway
Councillor Hillis

(aa) Trustees of Garvagh Museum
Councillor Mrs. Church

(bb) Coleraine and District Road Safety Committee
Councillor Bolton

(cc) Portrush, Portstewart and District Road Safety Committee
Councillor Creelman

(dd) Portstewart Community Association
The Deputy Mayor
Councillors Creelman and Stewart

(ee) Portballintrae Residents’ Association
Councillors Mrs. Black and McPherson
7.0 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

It was agreed that representatives as undernoted be appointed to serve on the following Management Committees:

(a) Joint Management Committee of Ballysally Youth and Community Centre  
   Alderman McClure, Councillors Bradley and McPherson

(b) Castlerock Recreation and Youth Hall Management Committee  
   Alderman King and Councillor Bolton

(c) Coleraine West Community Centre Management Committee  
   Councillors Barbour, McClarty and McLaughlin

(d) Harpur’s Hill Community Centre Management Committee  
   Councillors Bradley and McPherson

(e) Kilrea Town Hall Management Committee  
   Councillors Mrs. Church, Dallat and Mullan

(f) Windyhall Community Centre Management Committee  
   The Mayor, Alderman McClure and Councillor Bradley

8.0 MEMBERS’ ATTENDANCE AND ALLOWANCES REPORT

Information on members’ attendance and allowances (previously supplied) was noted.
LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE


Present: The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)
(Items 1.0 – 7.2)

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
P. E. A. Armitage (Mrs.)
(Items 2.0 – 6.7)

W. H. King
W. J. McClure
W. J. Watt

Councillors

D. D. Barbour
E. T. Black (Mrs.)
(Items 1.0 – 4.0)
R. S. Bolton
J. M. Bradley
O. M. Church (Mrs.)
W. T. Creelman
J. J. Dallat
(Items 1.0 – 15.0)

N. F. Hillis
D. McClarty
R. A. McPherson
W. Mathews
E. M. Mullan
E. O’Hara
R. D. Stewart

Officers in Attendance: Director of Leisure Services, Director of Environmental Health, Director of Technical Services, Senior Building Control Officer (Items 1.0 – 6.7), Recreation Officer, Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apology: Councillor McLaughlin

1.0 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor Mathews and seconded by Councillor Mullan:

That Councillor O’Hara be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Councillor Stewart and seconded by Councillor Hillis:

That Alderman McClure be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

On being put to the meeting, Councillor O’Hara received fourteen votes and Alderman McClure six votes.

Councillor O’Hara was duly elected Chairman and thanked members for his appointment and paid tribute to the work of Alderman McClure the previous Chairman of Committee.

1.1 Election of Vice Chairman

It was proposed by Councillor McPherson and seconded by Councillor Barbour:

That Alderman King be appointed
Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

There being no other nominations, Alderman King was duly elected Vice Chairman.

Alderman King thanked members for his appointment.

2.0 VANDALISM OF TOURIST BUSES - BELFAST

Reference was made to the recent vandalism of tourist buses in Belfast.

Members strongly condemned this incident.

3.0 JOEY DUNLOP - BALLYMONEY

Reference was made to the recent success of Joey Dunlop in the Tourist Trophy Motorcycle races in the Isle of Man.

It was agreed that a letter of congratulations be forwarded.

4.0 CHIEF BUILDING CONTROL OFFICER’S ANNUAL REPORT 1999/2000

The Chairman welcomed Mr. R. F. White, Chief Building Control Officer, who was in attendance to present his report for 1999/2000 (previously supplied).

Mr. White elaborated on the contents of the report and answered various members’ queries on the work of the Northern Group Building Control Committee.

The Chairman thanked Mr. White for attending after which he withdrew.

5.0 LEISURE SERVICES REPORT

The Report of the Director of Leisure Services was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

5.1 Anderson Park – Cycle Path

Consideration was given to detailed plans relating to Roads Service proposals to provide a cycle path along the boundary of Anderson Park, Coleraine.

Council is recommended to approve the proposals for the scheme which would commence after the Milk Cup Tournament in July.

5.2 Flowerfield Arts Centre - Design Competition

Committee noted that the panel appointed by Council to consider applications for the design competition for the refurbishment and extension of Flowerfield Arts Centre had recommended that the project be offered to Consarc Design Group (plans displayed). Committee endorsed the panel’s recommendation.
It was agreed that Consarc be invited to the July meeting of Committee to present their proposals for the scheme. The possibility of enhancing the play area facilities at Flowerfield Arts Centre would also be discussed at this meeting.

The Chairman thanked the Director of Leisure Services for his work in connection with the design competition.

5.3 “Party at the Port” Festival

Consideration was given to an application from Portrush Music Collective for the use of Antrim Gardens, Portrush to erect a marquee and stage a musical event on Saturday, 10th June, 2000 between 2.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. as part of the “Party at the Port” Festival.

Following a full discussion it was proposed by Alderman Watt, seconded by Councillor Mathews and recommended:

That the application for the use of Antrim Gardens be declined and the organisers offered the use of the Bowl Area, Portrush to stage the musical event.

5.4 Parks Machinery – Tenders

Five tenders had been received for the supply and delivery of one self-propelled three unit greens mower and one windfoil spraying boom viz:

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Recommended:
That Council accept the lowest tender for the spraying boom i.e. LGM Baird at £3,560.00 and the second lowest tender for the Greens Mower i.e. Johnston Gilpin at £19,180.00 for the reasons as detailed in the report.

5.5 Requests for Assistance

5.5.1 Coleraine Yacht Club - Annual 24 Hour Race

Recommended:

That Council contribute £150.00 towards the cost of staging the Annual 24 Hour Yacht Race on 24th/25th June, 2000 together with the use of facilities.

5.5.2 Northern Ireland Milk Cup

The organising committee of the Northern Ireland Milk Cup had requested financial assistance from Council towards the cost of staging the annual youth soccer tournament for the period 2000 – 2002.

Recommended:

That Council contribute £45,000.00 over the next three years i.e. £14,000.00, £15,000.00 and £16,000.00.

5.6 For Information

The Director of Leisure Services provided information in his report on the following:

- Coca-Cola Coaching Courses – Summer Recreation Programme
- Rural Sports Coaching Courses
- Town Challenge – Castlerock – 10th June, 2000

6.0 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

The Report of the Director of Technical Services was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

6.1 D.o.E. Roads Service

6.1.1 Loading Restriction - Brook Street, Coleraine

The Department proposed to change the restriction on the west side of Brook Street from the junction of Kingsgate Street for a distance of 15 metres in a northerly direction. At present the restriction was “No Waiting Monday – Saturday 8.00 a.m. – 6.30 p.m.” and the proposal was for “No Waiting Except For Loading and Unloading 8.00 a.m. – 6.30 p.m. Monday – Saturday”.

Council is recommended to support the proposal.
The Director of Technical Services would raise the possibility of the provision of a disabled parking bay in this area with the Divisional Roads Manager.

6.1.2 Waiting Restriction - Kinora Terrace, Portstewart

The Department intended to introduce a “No Waiting At Any Time” restriction on Kinora Terrace, Portstewart from the junction with Victoria Terrace for a distance of 60 metres in a north/westerly direction.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Director of Technical Services advise the Roads Service of Council’s objection to the proposed waiting restriction.

6.2 Waste Management Strategy

Recommended:

That Council contribute up to £11,000.00 towards the cost of preparation of tender documents and background material for the North West Waste Management Strategy proposals.

6.3 Entertainments Licences

6.3.1 Royal Portrush Golf Club, Bushmills Road, Portrush

An application for an Entertainments Licence had been received in respect of Royal Portrush Golf Club, Bushmills Road, Portrush.

Recommended:

That an Entertainments Licence be granted.

6.3.2 The Golf Links Hotel, Bushmills Road, Portrush

An application had been received in respect of The Golf Links Hotel, Bushmills Road, Portrush for variation of the current Entertainments Licence to include areas known as The Synk and Beetles Bar.

Recommended:

That the application for variation of the Entertainments Licence be granted.

6.3.3 The Londonderry Hotel, 39-41 Main Street, Portrush

An application for the transfer of the Entertainments Licence had been received in respect of The Londonderry Hotel, 39-41 Main Street, Portrush.

Recommended:

That the application for transfer of the
Entertainments Licence be granted with the inclusion of the following conditions:

**Ground Floor – Atlantic Bar**

(i) The type and nature of entertainment shall only be provided by non-amplified music;

(ii) Entering and egressing the Atlantic Bar via Atlantic Avenue is prohibited after 11.30 p.m. except in the event of an emergency.

6.4 **Street Trading Licences**

Applications for the grant of Street Trading Licences had been received from:

1. Mr. D. Heaney, 6 Glen Road, Garvagh
2. Mr. R. Brown, 13 Beaghville Drive, Portrush
3. Mr. J. J. Quigg, 5 Killylagh, Swatragh

Recommended:

That a Street Trading Licence be granted in each case.

6.5 **Litter**

Committee noted information, as detailed in the report, on the Department’s current approach regarding litter prevention, both in terms of community education and enforcement.

Committee endorsed the proposed programme to allocate more time to the detection of littering offences. This system would operate over the summer period and its effectiveness assessed.

Following discussion on this topic it was agreed that the Environment Officer make a presentation to a future meeting of Committee on litter prevention.

6.6 **Building Control**

6.6.1 **Approvals**

Approval had been given for seventy-three applications.

7.0 **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT**

The Report of the Director of Environmental Health was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

7.1 **Legal Proceedings - Public Health Acts 1878 – 1967**

It was proposed by Alderman Watt, seconded by Councillor McPherson and agreed that these items be considered “In Committee” at the end of the meeting.
7.2 Animal Circuses

The Animal Defenders Group had previously requested Council to refuse permission for the use of Council lands by circuses which feature animal acts.

Committee viewed a video produced by the Animal Defenders Group on this topic.

Consideration was also given to a briefing note supplied by Animal Defenders, submission from the USPCA and submission from Duffy’s Circus on this subject.

Following a full discussion it was proposed by Councillor Mathews, seconded by Councillor Creelman and recommended:

That Council do not grant permission to circuses featuring animal acts to use Council land and request Government to introduce legislation banning the use of animals in circuses.

In the interim, Council would encourage stricter controls to safeguard the welfare of circus animals.

8.0 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INSTALL COMMUNICATIONS APPARATUS

8.1 Dundooan Road, Maddybennymore, Portrush

Reported that the Department of the Environment had received notification on 10th May, 2000 from One2One of the intention to erect a mobile telecommunications mast under Part 17 of Schedule 1 to the Planning (General Development) Order (N.I.) 1993 as amended by the Planning (General Development) (Amendment) Order (N.I.) 1998 at Maddybennymore, Dundooan Road, Portrush. The proposal would be advertised in the local press.

Following discussion it was recommended that Council offer no comment on the proposal.

8.2 Ballystrone Hill off Ballystrone Road, Macosquin, Coleraine

Reported that the Department of the Environment had received notification on 18th May, 2000 from Crown Castle International Ltd. of the intention to erect a mobile telecommunications mast under Part 17 of Schedule 1 to the Planning (General Development) Order (N.I.) 1993 as amended by the Planning (General Development) (Amendment) Order (N.I.) 1998 at Ballystrone Hill off Ballystrone Road, Macosquin, Coleraine.

The proposal would be advertised in the local press.
Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman King and seconded by Alderman Watt:

That Council offer no comment on the proposal.

On being put to the meeting the proposal was carried by eleven votes to three.

9.0 **PORTRUSH RAFT RACE**

Read letter of thanks from the Chairman of Portrush Raft Race Committee for Council’s support towards the staging of this year’s Raft Race.

Noted.

10.0 **NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD - AREA CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE’S COMMITTEE**

Read letter from the Northern Health and Social Services Board inviting Council to be represented at an Area Children and Young People’s Committee Workshop to be held on Monday, 19th June, 2000 at Hotel One, Ballymena between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

Recommended:

That Councillor McLaughlin attend the workshop.

11.0 **GENERAL CONSUMER COUNCIL FOR NORTHERN IRELAND**

Tabled:


12.0 **PORTRUSH TOWN HALL**

Read report from the Town Clerk and Chief Executive advising that the Planning Appeals Commission had advised that Council’s appeal against the refusal to grant consent to demolish the existing Town Hall had been dismissed.

The report of the Commission was being studied and in conjunction with Council’s advisers, a review of options would be prepared for the July meeting of Committee.

Noted.

13.0 **LITTER BINS/SUMMER SEATS - PORTRUSH**
Reference was made to the need for additional litter bins at Dunluce Avenue and the restoration of summer seats at Ramore Head, Portrush.

The Director of Technical Services would consider these matters.

14.0 **PORTRUSH HARBOUR**

Reference was made to the commencement of repair work at Portrush Harbour.

The Director of Technical Services advised that this was a four week contract and he would discuss with the Contractor the necessity for the closure of the pedestrian bridge.

15.0 **ULSTERBUS**

Reference was made to the need to encourage Ulsterbus to disembark passengers at the existing car park in Garvagh.

The Director of Technical Services would take this matter up with Ulsterbus.

16.0 **COMMUNITY HALL - GARVAGH**

Reference was made to the possibility of providing a Community Hall in Garvagh adjacent to the proposed site for the new toilets.

The Director of Leisure Services would consider this matter.

17.0 **CHURCH PASS/BATH TERRACE, PORTRUSH**

Reference was made to Roads Service’s commitment to provide additional parking places at Church Pass/Bath Terrace, Portrush.

The Director of Technical Services would take this matter up with the Divisional Roads Manager.

18.0 **COLERaine CEMETERY**

It was agreed that this topic be included on the agenda for the July meeting of Committee.
Present: The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)
(Items 1.0 – 7.0)

Aldermen

C. S. Alexander (Ms.) W. J. McClure
W. H. King

Councillors

D. D. Barbour N. F. Hillis
(Items 1.0 – 3.15) D. McClarty
E. T. Black (Mrs.) (Items 1.0 – 3.20)
(Items 1.0 – 3.29) G. L. McLaughlin
R. S. Bolton R. A. McPherson
J. M. Bradley W. Mathews
O. M. Church (Mrs.) (Items 1.0 – 3.13)
W. T. Creelman E. M. Mullan
J. J. Dallat E. O’Hara
(Items 1.0 – 3.33) R. D. Stewart

Also in Attendance: Representatives from the Planning Service –
Mr. G. Scott and Miss H. Clements

Officers in Attendance: Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Senior Environmental Health Officer and Administrative Assistant

Apologies: Aldermen Mrs. Armitage and Watt

1.0 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor Mathews and seconded by Councillor Stewart:

That Alderman Ms. Alexander be appointed Chairman.

It was proposed by Councillor Mullan and seconded by Councillor McClarty:

That Councillor McLaughlin be appointed Chairman.

On being put to the Meeting Alderman Ms. Alexander received nine votes and Councillor McLaughlin received eleven votes.

Councillor McLaughlin was duly elected Chairman and thanked members for his appointment.

1.1 Vice Chairman

It was proposed by Councillor McPherson and seconded by the Mayor:
That Councillor Bolton be appointed Vice Chairman.

As there were no other nominations Councillor Bolton was duly elected Vice Chairman and thanked members for his appointment.

2.0 ULSTER ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE SOCIETY

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Peter Marlow, Chairman and Miss Caroline Maguire, Committee Member who were in attendance to address Committee on the work of the Ulster Architectural Heritage Society.

Mr. Marlow outlined the history of the Society which now has a membership of 1200 and remains the only voluntary body with a remit to campaign for the built heritage across Northern Ireland. The Society continues to comment on planning legislation, area plans and individual planning applications.

The representatives answered various questions raised by members.

The Mayor thanked the representatives for their attendance.

3.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A list of eighty-eight applications was considered (previously supplied).

Applications Deferred from Previous Meeting

3.1 Application No. D1
C/1999/0816/F
Erection of 1 no. dwelling with detached garage adjacent to 32 Ballynameen Road, Garvagh for Mr. K. Bradley

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

It was agreed that the application be approved.

3.2 Application No. D2
C/1999/0876/F
Redefinition of car wash area and incorporation of 3.5m high wall and transparent spray screen and provision of 2 no. car parking spaces at Bush Filling Station, Bushmills Road, Coleraine for Mr. C. Henderson

Alderman Ms. Alexander declared an interest in this application.

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

The Planning Officer outlined the background of this application and sought Council’s opinion.

The applicant, Mr. C. Henderson, addressed Committee.

Following discussion it was proposed by the Deputy Mayor and seconded by Councillor Mathews:
On being put to the Meeting the proposal was lost, six members voting in favour and seven members voting against.

It was proposed by Alderman McClure and seconded by Councillor Bradley:

That the application be referred to the Planning Service Management Board for decision.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, eight members voting in favour and six members voting against.

The application would, therefore, be referred to the Planning Service Management Board.

3.3 Application No. D3 C/1999/0917/F
Housing development – erection of 29 no. dwellings (detached, semi-detached and terraced) with integral and detached garages at Sites 1 – 29 (formerly sites 59, 85 – 101) Browns Farm, Aghermore, off Lissadell Avenue, Portstewart for Harod Homes

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

Reported that satisfactory amendments had been made and the application would be approved.

3.4 Application No. D4 C/2000/0108/F
Change of use from vacant shop to 4 no. bedsits (part of the Golf Hotel) adjacent to 6 Sea Road, Castlerock for The Golf Hotel (Sandel Developments Ltd).

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period. The application would be refused.

3.5 Application No. D5 C/2000/0198/F
Change of use from agricultural land to golf course and erection of ancillary building (machinery store, offices, toilets) and car park at Lisnagalt, Ballyrashane Road, Coleraine for Mr. R. McMullan

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Church and seconded by Councillor Mullan:

That the application be deferred for one month to enable the applicant to make a presentation and facilitate a Council site visit.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal approved.
was carried, fourteen members voting in favour and four members voting against.

3.6 Application No. D6  
C/2000/0203/F  
Erection of 14 no. two-and-a-half storey dwellings with integral garage with alteration of approved ‘5A’ road to ‘5B’ road on land adjacent to Old Mill Grange, off Lissadell Avenue, Portstewart for O’Kane & Devine Construction Ltd.  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  
Reported that satisfactory amended plans had been received and the application would be approved subject to conditions regarding landscaping.

3.7 Application No. D7  
C/2000/0216/O  
Site for dwelling adjacent to 142 Agivey Road, Aghadowey for Miss D. McAleese  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  
It was agreed that the application be approved.

3.8 Application No. D8  
C/2000/0224/F  
Erection of dwelling adjacent to 67a Coleraine Road, Garvagh for Mr. and Mrs. Arbuthnot  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
The application had been withdrawn.

3.9 Application No. D9  
C/2000/0250/F  
Alteration of apartment Nos. 4 and 8 with the addition of a single window to gable wall (amendment to 11 no. apartments under construction) at Ballintrae Hotel, Portballintrae for Mr. S. Lyle  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse both applications.  
Copy letter of objection from Mr. R. M. Meyler had previously been circulated to each member.  
It was agreed that the applications be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.

3.10 Application No. D10  
C/2000/0256/F  
Single storey front extension to existing off licence and public bar at The Anchorage, 87 The Promenade, Portstewart for P. J. Crawley  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  
Reported that satisfactory amended plans had been received and the application would be approved.
3.11 Application No. D11  
C/2000/0262/F  
Erection of 12 no. apartments (two and three storey buildings) at Millfield Holiday Village, 80 Mill Road, Portstewart for Sea Haven Homes Ltd. 
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.
Reported that satisfactory amended plans had been received and the application would be approved.

3.12 Application No. D.12  
C/2000/0290/O  
Site for dwelling at Gelvin Road, Garvagh for Mrs. H. McKeown 
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
It was agreed that the application be refused.

**New Applications**

3.13 Application No. 4  
C/1999/0538/F  
Redevelopment of existing car showroom to provide neighbour- hood food store at 1 Newmills Road, Coleraine for Lidl UK 
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Stewart and seconded by Councillor Bradley:

> That the application be refused.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal was lost, seven members voting in favour and eight members voting against.

3.14 Application No. 7  
C/1999/0899/F  
Erection of 6 no. self catering accommodation units with administration office, garages and storage and 3 no replacement dwellings at 32 Ballywatt Road, Coleraine for Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson 
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.
No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.

3.15 Application No. 11  
C/2000/0166/F  
Change of use from restaurant including yard to 3 no. apartments adjacent to 6 Sea Road, Castlerock for Sandel Developments Ltd. 
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.
It was agreed that the application be deferred for one week to enable the applicant to discuss the proposal with the Planning Service. If agreement could be reached the application would be approved otherwise the application would be refused.
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<td>C/2000/0213/F</td>
<td>Erection of 6 no. apartments (two-storey) at 100 Brook Street, Coleraine for Mr. J. McIldowney</td>
<td>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</td>
<td>No further representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.</td>
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<td>3.17 Application No. 15</td>
<td>C/2000/0245/F</td>
<td>Extension to Public House to provide 30 bedroom travel lodge accommodation (two and three storey) at 50 Ballyreagh Road, Portrush for Mr. and Mrs. D. McLaughlin</td>
<td>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</td>
<td>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.</td>
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<td>3.18 Application No. 19</td>
<td>C/2000/0267/F</td>
<td>Removal of existing dwelling and erection of two-storey extension to day nursery at 24 Rugby Avenue, Coleraine for Mr. and Mrs. D. McLean</td>
<td>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</td>
<td>Reported that amended plans had been received. The revised proposal would be re-advertised and subject to no objections being received approval would be issued otherwise the application would be brought back to Council.</td>
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<td>3.19 Application No. 20</td>
<td>C/2000/0273/F</td>
<td>Erection of 8 no. semi-detached dwellings at Site Nos. 32, 32A, 33, 33A, 34, 34A, 35, 35A Ballywillan Road, Portrush for Cherrybrook Construction</td>
<td>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</td>
<td>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period. It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.</td>
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<td>3.20 Application No. 21</td>
<td>C/2000/0277/O</td>
<td>Erection of 2 no. dwellings and 2 no. detached garages on land adjacent to Dunboe Road, Articlave for D. Patton &amp; Sons</td>
<td>The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.</td>
<td>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period. The application would be refused.</td>
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<td>3.21 Application No. 23</td>
<td>C/2000/0299/F</td>
<td>Change of use from out-building to staff mess and workshop with alterations to the same at Hezlett House, 107 Sea Road, Castlerock for The National Trust</td>
<td>The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.</td>
<td>No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.</td>
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3.22 **Application No. 24**  
C/2000/0301/O  
Site for dwelling opposite 116 Carrowreagh Road, Garvagh for Heather Warwick  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.

3.23 **Application No. 26**  
C/2000/0303/O  
Site for apartment development with associated car parking (new build) at Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Bath Terrace, Portrush for Younger Homes Ltd.  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  
It was agreed that the application be approved subject to conditions relating to height and scale of the proposed development.

3.24 **Application No. 27**  
C/2000/0305/O  
Site for dwelling and garage at 110m NW of 129 Moneydig Road, Kilrea for Mr. M. McGarvey  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.

3.25 **Application No. 31**  
C/2000/0318/O  
Site for dwelling and garage adjacent to No. 52 Drumeil Road, Aghadowey for Mr. K. McAfee  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate a Council site visit.

3.26 **Application No. 32**  
C/2000/0322/O  
Site for redevelopment of existing hotel to provide new 54 bedroom hotel with conference suite, leisure suite, holiday village, children’s play area and 30 no. apartments at Causeway Coast Hotel, 36 Ballyreagh Road, Portrush for Kennedy's Hotels N.I. Ltd.  
Councillor O’Hara declared an interest in this application.  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  
It was agreed that the application be approved.

3.27 **Application No. 36**  
C/2000/0327/F  
Erection of dwelling 200 metres south-east of No. 12 Culnagrew Road, Swatragh for J. Gunning  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.  
It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.
3.28 Application No. 38  
C/2000/0332/F  
Erection of bungalow with integral garage at site adjacent to 44 Ballyhackett Road, Castlerock for Mr. D. Hamilton  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
No further representations had been received within the statutory consultation period. The application would be refused.

3.29 Application No. 56  
C/2000/0362/O  
Site for new dwelling at Ballyhackett Road, Castlerock for Mr. W. Purcell  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
It was agreed that the application be deferred to facilitate a Council site visit.

3.30 Application No. 42  
C/2000/0339/O  
Site for replacement dwelling and associated outbuildings opposite 96 Coleraine Road, West Ballyleese Td., Portstewart for Mr. F. Mullan  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.  
The application had been withdrawn.

3.31 Application No. 43  
C/2000/0340/F  
Proposed use of existing access at No. 8 Bayhead Road to serve car parking for 7 no. apartments (part of current planning application ref. C/2000/0056) on land adjacent to Nos. 8 and 10 Bayhead Road, Portballintrae for Kennedy Group  
Councillor O’Hara left the Chamber prior to consideration of this application.  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  
Reported that the application would be approved subject to Planning Service Management Board approval for a separate application relating to apartments.

3.32 Application No. 45  
C/2000/0342/RO  
Erection of single storey dwelling adjacent to 32 Tirkeeran Road, Garvagh for Mr. F. J. Mackle  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.  
No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.

3.33 Application No. 51  
C/2000/0355/F  
Erection of one-and-a-half storey dwelling (replacement) with integral garage at 73 Ballymacrea Road, Portrush for D. McClarty  
The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.  
No further representations had been received within the statutory consultation period.  
It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to facilitate further discussions with the applicant.
3.34 Application No. 52
C/2000/0356/F
Proposed 4 no. dwellings at Mullaghinch Road, Aghadowey, Coleraine (between Nos. 88 and 92) for Mr. A. Kelly

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was agreed that the application be deferred for one week to enable the applicant to discuss the proposal with the Planning Service. If agreement could be reached the application would be approved otherwise the application would be refused.

3.35 Application No. 61
C/2000/0368/F
Erection of chalet dwelling with integral garage at Site No. 135 Somerset, Coleraine for Benbradagh Developments

The opinion of the Planning Service was to approve.

No representations had been received within the statutory consultation period and the application would be approved.

3.36 Application No. 65
C/2000/0377/F
Erection of 3 no. apartments (one and two storey building) adjacent to 106 Coleraine Road, Portrush for Mr. P. J. O’Kane

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month in anticipation of an amended scheme being submitted. The revised proposal would be re-advertised.

3.37 Application No. 73
C/2000/0391/F
Erection of single storey front and rear extensions and roofspace conversion at 37 Rectory Park, Garvagh for Mr. G. Cooper

The opinion of the Planning Service was to refuse.

It was agreed that the application be deferred for one month to enable revised plans to be submitted.

3.38 General Matters
(a) 12 Beaghville Drive, Portrush – Garage

3.39 Planning Appeals

The Senior Planning Officer circulated the following reports:

(a) Planning Appeals for Coleraine in 1999;

(b) Appeals Lodged with Planning Appeals Commission.

3.40 Site Visits - June

It was noted that site visits would be held in the morning of Thursday, 22nd June, 2000.
4.0 CONSULTATION DRAFT PPS7 - QUALITY RESIDENTIAL ENVIRONMENTS

Consideration was given to the draft response paper prepared by BDP Planning (previously supplied).

It was recommended that the draft paper form the basis of Council’s response.

5.0 PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING - JULY

It was agreed that the July Planning Committee Meeting be held on Monday, 10th July, 2000.

6.0 HISTORIC BUILDINGS GRANT AID

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive read a letter from the Environment and Heritage Service advising Council of the Minister’s decision to suspend procedures for the acceptance of applications for grant aid to listed historic buildings.

The suspension had become necessary because of the level by which the Department’s commitment to grants had exceeded available resources.

Noted.

7.0 PLANNING APPEALS COMMISSION - MR. AND MRS. C. DOOLE,
28 GLENVALE AVENUE, PORTRUSH

Read decision from the Planning Appeals Commission regarding an appeal by Mr. and Mrs. C. Doole against an enforcement notice alleging a breach of planning control involving change of use to offices at 28 Glenvale Avenue, Portrush.

The decision was as follows:

1. The appeal under ground (a) was dismissed and the notice upheld;
2. The planning application was refused;
3. The period for compliance was extended from 56 to 84 days.

8.0 PLANNING APPEALS COMMISSION - BULLETIN

Tabled:


9.0 THE PLANNING SERVICE CREATING PLACES - ACHIEVING QUALITY IN RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Tabled:

The Planning Service’s new design guide for residential developments in Northern Ireland ‘Creating Places –
10.0 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LICENCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR

Reported that Notice of Application for the grant of a licence authorising the sale of intoxicating liquor had been received in respect of premises at 56 Coleraine Road, Portstewart.

It was recommended that Council lodge an objection to the application under Article 7(4)(e) of the Licensing (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 as follows:

That the number of licensed premises of a kind mentioned in Article 5(1)(a) or (b) of the said Order of 1996 in the vicinity of the premises or proposed premises for which the Provisional Grant of Licence is sought is or will be adequate.

11.0 C.C.T.V. SEMINAR

Reported that the Police Authority for Northern Ireland Seminar on C.C.T.V. would be held in the Dunadry Hotel and Country Club, Templepatrick on Thursday, 15th June, 2000 at 1.30 p.m.

Four members indicated a willingness to attend, viz. Alderman McClure, Councillors Bradley, McPherson and Stewart.

12.0 MINUTES - MANAGEMENT BOARD REFERRAL (PLA2/2/164/00)

Consideration was given to the Minutes of Meeting dated 4th May, 2000 of the Planning Management Board relating to the proposed redevelopment of the former Gasworks site at 115 Causeway Street, Portrush.

Following a full discussion on the need to properly convey Council’s corporate view in such instances it was proposed by Councillor Bradley and seconded by Alderman Ms. Alexander:

That the Town Clerk and Chief Executive write to the Planning Management Board clarifying that the corporate view of Council in the above case was that this application should be refused.

On being put to the Meeting the proposal was carried, eight members voting in favour and no one voting against.
POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20\textsuperscript{th} June, 2000.

**Present:**
The Mayor, Councillor E. A. Johnston (Mrs.)
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor B. E. Dempsey (Mrs.)

**Aldermen**
C. S. Alexander (Ms.)
W. H. King

**Councillors**
D. D. Barbour
E. T. Black (Mrs.)
J. M. Bradley
O. M. Church (Mrs.)
(W. T. Creelman)
J. J. Dallat
N. F. Hillis

**Officers in Attendance:**
Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services,
Head of Development Services (Items 1.0 – 14.0), Tourism
and Marketing Officer (Items 1.0 – 6.0), Finance Officer (Items 1.0 –
14.0), Personnel Officer, Policy Development Officer and
Administrative Assistant

**Apologies:**
Aldermen Mrs. Armitage, Watt and Councillor Bolton

1.0 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

It was proposed by the Mayor and seconded by Councillor McClarty:

That Councillor Barbour be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Alderman Ms. Alexander and seconded by Councillor Stewart:

That Councillor Bradley be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

On being put to the meeting, Councillor Barbour received nine votes and Councillor
Bradley eight votes.

Councillor Barbour was duly elected Chairman and thanked members for his
appointment.

Councillor Barbour paid tribute to the work of Councillor McLaughlin, the previous
Chairman of Committee.

1.1 **Election of Vice Chairman**

It was proposed by Councillor Dallat and seconded by Councillor McClarty:
That Councillor Bradley be appointed Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

There being no other nominations Councillor Bradley was duly elected Vice Chairman.

Councillor Bradley thanked members for his appointment.

2.0 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

The Report of the Director of Corporate Services was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

Finance

2.1 Creditors’ Payments It was agreed that the Mayor and Councillor O’Hara examine the payments vouchers for the next three month period.

2.2 Request for Financial Assistance – The Samaritans

Consideration was given to a request from The Samaritans for financial assistance towards the up-keep and maintenance of the Coleraine and District Branch.

Recommended:

That in recognition of the 30th anniversary of the Branch, Council approve a one-off donation of £500.00.

2.3 “Scheme of Allowances” for Councillors

Consideration was given to the proposed scheme (previously supplied) of allowances for members under the Local Government (Payments to Councillors) Regulations (N.I.).

Recommended:

That Council adopt the proposed scheme.

2.4 Accounts Committee noted that creditors’ payments, as per lists circulated, had been issued as follows:

Revenue A/C - £805,277.60

Capital A/C - £131,909.37

Personnel

2.5 New Appointments

The following appointments had been made in accordance with the Local Government Staff Commission’s Code of Procedure on Recruitment and Selection:

Chief Executive’s Department
Building Superintendent (New Post)  
Mr. J. N. Anderson

Caretaker/Attendant (Replacement)  
Mr. A. Moffett

Part-Time Cleaner (Replacement)  
Miss R. Archibald

**Technical Services Department**

Chargehand – General Works (Replacement)  
Mr. D. S. Black

Labourers – General Works (Replacements)  
Mr. M. Irwin  
Mr. M. Andrews

2.5.1 **Procedures**

Reference was made to matters relating to these appointments and it was agreed that these be considered “In Committee” at the end of the meeting.

2.6 **For Information**

The Director of Corporate Services provided information in his report on the following:

(a) Revised Travel and Subsistence Allowances for Councillors

(b) Revised Allowances for Councillors

(c) Annual Report on the Audit of Local Authorities

(d) Fair Employment Tribunal – Dismissal of Case – Kennedy –v- Council

3.0 **LAND AND PROPERTY**

The Report of the Principal Administrative Officer on Land and Property was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

3.1 **Land at Portballintrae**  
(Sweeney’s Wine Bar)

Mr. S. H. Sweeney had expressed a wish to acquire the freehold title on land he held under a 10,000 year lease granted by Council in April 1988. The lands formed part of the car parking and landscaped areas in front of Sweeney’s Wine Bar.

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Black, seconded by Councillor McPherson and recommended:

That Council retain the freehold title of the land.
3.2  **4 and 5 Sand Dune Terrace, Portrush**

Mr. D. Small, the owner of 4 and 5 Sand Dune Terrace, Portrush had been granted the privilege by Council in October 1981 to access his property by car over the East Strand Car Park, Portrush. This privilege could be withdrawn by Council at any time.

Mr. Small had now developed the site and built eight apartments. Solicitors acting on behalf of purchasers of the apartments had requested confirmation from Council that it had no objection to access to and from the apartments through East Strand Car Park.

Council’s Solicitors had advised that it would be appropriate to grant formal access as of right.

**Recommended:**

That Council grant formal access as of right subject to agreement on an appropriate premium to be assessed by the Valuation and Lands Agency.

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3.3  **Lands at Ballyreagh Road, Portrush**

Mr. and Mrs. D. McLaughlin had requested permission to set back a section of fencing on Council’s field to the west of their property in order to comply with the Department of the Environment’s access requirements for the proposed Travel Lodge development. Mr. McLaughlin would maintain the area of grass between the back of the pavement and the proposed line of the fence.

**Recommended:**

That Council grant permission to Mr. McLaughlin to set back the existing post and wire fence to achieve the required visibility splay.

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### 4.0  **E.U. STRUCTURAL FUNDS 2000-2006**

Consideration was given to the report (previously supplied) on E.U. Structural Funds 2000 – 2006.

Committee noted that this paper, prepared by the Local Government Support Group, had been submitted to the Department of Finance and Personnel.

The proposals envisaged a fundamental review of the mechanism for the allocation of E.U. Structural Funds at regional level. It was intended that the proposals would better attain the objectives of ensuing greater cohesion, transparency and sustainability.

Council is recommended to endorse the proposals.
5.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

The Report of the Head of Development Services was considered (previously supplied).

Matters arising:

5.1 Rural Community Network (N.I.)

The Rural Community Network (N.I.) had elected to hold its Annual General Meeting in Coleraine on 22nd/23rd September, 2000 at the University of Ulster.

A donation of £1,000.00 had been requested from Council towards the cost of staging the event.

Council is recommended to contribute £1,000.00.

5.2 Causeway Initiative

The Tourism and Marketing Officer outlined the aims and objectives of the Causeway Initiative Partnership, as detailed in the report. This organisation would address the subject of sustainable tourism development.

Council had been invited to join an Interim Partnership through officer representation for the Causeway Initiative with a view to establishing a North-East Tourism and Environmental Partnership in the longer term.

Council is recommended to accept this invitation.

5.3 Tourism Literature and Borough Guide

Committee congratulated the officers on the high quality of the new summer brochures and updated Borough Guide.

5.4 For Information

The Head of Development Services provided information in his report on the following:

(a) Coleraine REDI Programme

(b) Internal Communications

6.0 NORTHERN IRELAND ACT 1998 - STATUTORY EQUALITY OBLIGATIONS
DRAFT EQUALITY SCHEME (SECOND EDITION)

Consideration was given to the second edition of Council’s Draft Equality Scheme (previously supplied).
The Policy Development Officer advised that fourteen responses had been received following circulation of the first edition of the Draft Equality Scheme to approximately 400 agencies, community and special interest groups.

Following discussion it was recommended that Council endorse the second edition of the Draft Equality Scheme which would be submitted to the Equality Commission for approval.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive would present an addendum to the second edition draft at the Council Meeting on 27th June, 2000 to reflect further responses which had since been received.

7.0 EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY EXECUTIVE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

Reported that nominations were invited for consideration for membership of the Executive Board of the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.

Recommended:

That Councillors McLaughlin and Mathews be nominated for appointment to the Executive Board of the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.

8.0 CIVIC HEADQUARTERS PROJECT

Consideration was given to the minutes of the Civic Headquarters Project Steering Group meeting of 23rd May, 2000.

Matters arising:

8.1 Civic Offices Postal Address Committee noted that the name “Cloonavin” would be retained for the new offices.

9.0 NEW OPPORTUNITIES FUND

Reported that Councillor Barbour was now unable to attend the information briefing on the New Opportunities Fund at the Quality Hotel, Carrickfergus on 22nd June, 2000. No other member was available to attend the briefing.

10.0 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP ON TRAVELLER ISSUES

Reported that Council had been invited to participate in the recently formed Local Government Partnership on Traveller Issues.

The next meeting of the Partnership would be held at 10.30 a.m. on Thursday, 29th June, 2000 at Lisburn Borough Council Offices, Hillsborough.

Recommended:

That Councillors Hillis, Stewart and the Director of Environmental
Health attend the meeting.

11.0 C.C.T.V. - UPDATE

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that the Working Group on the C.C.T.V. project would make a preliminary presentation to Council on 27th June, 2000.

Noted.

12.0 ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION

Read letter of thanks from the Portrush Coxswain of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution for Council’s financial contribution of £1,000.00 towards the Portrush Lifeboat Appeal.

Noted.

13.0 THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT STAFF COMMISSION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

Tabled:

Commission’s second Equal Opportunities Report on Northern Ireland District Councils.

14.0 NORTHERN CORRIDOR RAILWAYS GROUP

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive updated Committee on the progress following the inaugural meeting of the Group on 14th June. It had been agreed that a joint response to the Railways Task Force be prepared by the Councils involved in the Group. The thrust of the Group’s response would be to support the case for the retention and enhancement of the Northern Corridor Rail Link.

A delegation from the Group had met the Minister for Regional Development and had secured an extension of the consultation period to 31st August, 2000. BDP Planning had been commissioned to co-ordinate the preparation of a report and would enlist additional transport, economic and environment specialists.

Each Council represented on the Group would commit up to £2,000.00 to fund the preparation of the joint report.

Noted.

16.0 RESEARCH FUNDING - UNIVERSITIES

Committee welcomed the recent announcement regarding a joint Government/private £40 million funding for research products for the Province’s universities.

17.0 STAFF UNIFORMS - ANCILLARY STAFF
Reference was made to the possibility of improving the uniforms of Council’s ancillary staff.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive would consider this matter.

18.0 LAND - RAMORE RESTAURANT, PORTRUSH

Reference was made to the recent erection of a fence on land to the front of Ramore Restaurant, Portrush.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive would investigate the ownership of this area of land.

20.0 ILLEGAL CAMPING - RUGBY AVENUE, COLERAINE

Reference was made to illegal camping on Council land at Rugby Avenue, Coleraine.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive advised that legal options were being considered. The future securing of entrances would be considered.