



**Causeway
Coast & Glens
Borough Council**

Leisure Facilities Project Board

Monday 14th February 2022

Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

Members Present: Councillor McShane
Councillor Knight-McQuillan
Alderman Baird
Councillor Holmes
Councillors Nicholl

Members Apologies: Councillor McKillop
Councillor Callan (Chair)
Councillor McAuley

Officers: R Baker, Director of Leisure & Development
W McCullough, Head of Sport & Wellbeing
N Harkness, SIB Project Manager
J Beggs, SIB Project Manager

NO.	Item	ACTIONS
1.	Introductions	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for apologies as noted above.	
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The draft minutes of the meeting of 17th January 2022 were approved by Members.	

NO.	Item	ACTIONS
3.	Ballycastle Leisure Provision OBC Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIB provided an update on the Ballycastle Leisure Centre OBC. As requested, this OBC being progressed in parallel and following same process as CLC OBC with a long list of options at Quay Road currently under consideration. The same affordability constraints will apply to the short listing of options and the OBC being developed on the same timeframes to potentially facilitate a Levelling Up Fund application. • SIB presented a slideshow to highlight the context and background of leisure development within Ballycastle, including Phase I provision at the Shared Education Campus. The previous Feasibility Study (with costs updated) was presented along with site/floor plans for three options at the Quay Road site. The objectives and priorities agreed at a recent Members Workshop for local DEA members was also shared to introduce a fourth option at a cost of c£10m which included modest spa, and wider site development. • Members raised a number of queries: limited civic space noted but acknowledged possible addendum to building in future; addition of accessible play park as part of wider site development to be included; implications for possible disposal of Sheskburn; importance of learning to swim cannot be understated with 1400 children at local schools; nursery space is not a statutory function of Council but important to local people. Efforts should be made to accommodate somewhere (or maintained at Sheskburn); additional tourism potential was also questioned in terms of increased Out of State spend; Option 3 and 4 were seen as short-listed options to consider further (with both options enhanced as 3+ and 4+ to include accessible play park at the site). • The options to include Soft Play and a Climbing Wall were noted but Members understood that these were being provided by third parties (private sector and UU respectively). • Officers noted the comments above and agreed to bring update to the next L&D Committee to highlight the short-listed options for development before completing OBC. 	

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4.	Coleraine Leisure Provision OBC Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIB provided an update on progress and following the presentation to L&D Committee in January and the Council meeting in February 2022, two development options are currently being fully appraised against the base case 'Do Nothing' option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Option 4B 'New leisure centre to the front of the existing site'; and ○ Option 4B+ to reflect Council's decision "<i>that Council enlarge on the 4b Option to feature a larger water attraction to incorporate a separate learner pool and option for soft area</i>". • Officers confirmed a recent positive meeting with Planning on the concept designs and progress being made on the schematics for a modern and 'active frontage' to Railway Road. 	
5.	Portrush Recreation Grounds – Project Board Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers confirmed that the £3.3m project was progressing on-site to agreed time, cost, and quality targets. Meetings had been held with LUF to agree MOU for funding contribution of £1.65m and DfC funding of £1.45m was also being drawn down. • The Project Dashboard was presented with no queries raised by Members at this stage. 	
6.	Capital Programme Update (by exception)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers confirmed that progress still being made in respect of Burnfoot Pitch, Cloughmills Pitch and Aghadowey Play Park with further updates to follow. 	
7.	AORB	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	
8.	DONM	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 14th March 2022 via MT 	