

COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 7 MARCH 2023

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21.	Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee Meeting held Tuesday 21 February 2023 'In Committee'	
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**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE
ON TUESDAY 7 MARCH 2023 AT 7.00PM**

In the Chair : The Mayor, Councillor Wallace (C)

Present : Alderman Baird (R), Boyle (C), Duddy (C), Fielding (C),
Hillis (C), Knight-McQuillan (C), McKeown (C), S McKillop
(R), McLean (C)

Councillors Anderson (C), Bateson (R), Beattie (R),
Callaghan (R), Callan (C), Chivers (R), Dallat O'Driscoll
(R), Holmes (C), Hunter (R), McAuley (C), McCandless
(C), McCorkell (R), McGurk (R), McGlinchey (R), MA
McKillop (R), McMullan (R), C McQuillan (R), C McShane
(R), A McQuillan (C), P McShane (C), Mulholland (C),
Peacock (R), Nicholl (R), Scott (R), Storey (C), Watton
(C), Wilson (C)

Officers Present : D Jackson, Chief Executive (C)
R Baker, Director of Leisure and Development (R)
P Donaghy, Democratic & Central Services Manager (R)
J Mills, Land and Property Solicitor (R)
S Duggan, Civic Support & Committee & Member Services Officer (R)
I Owens, Committee & Member Services Officer (C)

In attendance : A Lennox, Mobile Operations Officer (C)
C Thompson, ICT Operations Officer (C)

Alison Allen, NILGA Chief Executive (C)
Councillor Kearney, NILGA Chair (C)

Press (1 No) (R)
Public (1 No R) (1 No C)

Key – **C** = Attended in the Chamber
 R = Attended Remotely

The Chief Executive undertook a roll call.

The Mayor opened the meeting and extended a welcome to members of the press and public in attendance and provided guidance in relation to Council's Remote Meetings Protocol and audio recordings.

1. THE MAYOR'S BUSINESS

The Mayor wished to express his sympathy to the family of Frank McClure (brother of the late James McClure – a longstanding Elected Member of Coleraine Borough Council).

The information contained in the following item is restricted in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014

Councillor P McShane raised a query under Mayor's business. The Mayor ruled that the matter could not be discussed.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Councillor Quigley.

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Declaration of Interests were recorded for:

Councillor Hunter in Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 February 2023 Item 5 - Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust; Minutes of Environmental Services Committee meeting held Thursday 16 February 2023 Item 22 – Street Trading Licences. Having declared an interest, Councillor Hunter did not participate in the Items.

Councillor MA McKillop in Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 February 2023 Item 5 – Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust; Minutes of Environmental Services Committee meeting held Thursday 16 February 2023 Item 22 – Street Trading Licences. Having declared an interest, Councillor MA McKillop did not participate in the Items.

Alderman S McKillop Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 February 2023 Item 5 - Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust; Minutes of Environmental Services Committee meeting held Thursday 16 February 2023 Item 22 – Street Trading Licences. Having declared an interest, Alderman S McKillop did not participate in the Items.

Councillor Schenning in Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 February 2023 Items 18 - Community Development Grants and Item 19 – Social Supermarkets; Minutes of Corporate Policy and Resources Committee meeting held Tuesday 28 February 2023 Item 11 – Conferences. Having declared an interest, Councillor Schenning did not participate in the Items.

Councillor Storey in Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 February 2023 Item 11 - Ballycastle Shared Campus. Having declared an interest, Councillor Storey left the Chamber during consideration of this Item and did not vote.

4. **NILGA PRESENTATION OF THE COUNCILLOR DEVELOPMENT CHARTER**

The Mayor welcomed the NILGA Chief Executive and Chair to the Council Meeting and invited the Chair to speak.

The NILGA Chair congratulated Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council on receiving the Development Charter and said that it demonstrated a strong commitment and was reflective of the work required to be a truly 21st Century Councillor.

The NILGA Chair said that the practical based learning achieved by Councillors demonstrated leadership and that he looked forward to development of prior learning.

In closing the NILGA Chair thanked Council Officers for their contribution and assistance in gaining accreditation.

Alderman Hillis commended female Elected Members who had undertaken Leadership training and thanked NILGA and Council Officers for their enthusiasm and hard work in assisting Council to achieve the Development Charter.

Alderman Hillis said he was pleased and honoured to receive the Charter.

* **Councillor P McShane left the Chamber at 7.15 pm.**

Alderman Baird welcomed Council being awarded the Development Charter and thanked Officers for their hard work.

The NILGA Chair acknowledged the remarks made by Alderman Hillis and Alderman Baird and spoke of the cross-party nature of NILGA which works for the good of all and referred to Elected Members as first responders and encouraged them to continue to support the work of NILGA.

* **NILGA representatives left the meeting at 7.25 pm**

* **Councillor P McShane re-joined the meeting in the Chamber at 7.25 pm**

5. **MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2023**

Copy, previously circulated.

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Councillor A McQuillan and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Council meeting held Tuesday 7 February 2023, were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

6. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2023, RECONVENED ON MONDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2023 AND TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

Proposed by Alderman McLean
Seconded by Alderman Boyle and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Council meeting held Thursday 9 February 2023, Reconvened Monday 13 February 2023 and Tuesday 14 February 2023, were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

7. MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Councillor A McQuillan and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Special Council meeting held Monday 20 February 2023, were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

8. MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held Wednesday 25 January 2023 are received and noted.

9. MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

Matters Arising

9.1 Concessionary Trading Provision (Item 6)

At the request of Councillor A McQuillan the Chief Executive confirmed that the competition would be an open auction.

9.2 Castlerock Footbridge Update (Item 13)

At the request of Councillor A McQuillan the Chief Executive gave assurance that Officers would try to work in accordance with the timescale and agreed to provide an update outside of the meeting regarding the 3 March timeline.

9.3 Electric Vehicles charging stations (Item 24(ii)) (Councillor Wallace)

Alderman Duddy raised the matter of Electric Vehicle charging points in Waterside Car park and the Chief Executive agreed to follow up on this.

At the request of Alderman Duddy the Chief Executive confirmed that the funding available previously was only for off street electric charging points and not within car parks.

The Mayor spoke of a recent visit at Cloughmills to launch electric car charging points which were powered by wind turbines and welcomed this initiative.

Councillor C McShane referred to the Coast Road area from Cushendall saying there was no stopping points for electric car charging.

9.4 Adoption of the Minutes

Proposed by Alderman Mclean
Seconded by Councillor Callan

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting held Thursday 16 February 2023 are adopted and recommendations therein approved.

10. MINUTES OF LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

Matters Arising

10.1 UK Shared Prosperity Fund (Item 22)

Councillor Bateson welcomed the funding of Glenullin Playpark Project. The Director of Leisure and Development advised that an report will be provided on all UK Shared Prosperity Funded projects in relation to timeframe for commencement of works.

At the request of Councillor Bateson the Director of Leisure and Development agreed to respond to his emails outside of the meeting.

Councillor A McQuillan also welcomed the funding and asked why a playpark at Aghadowey had not been included in the round. The Director of Leisure and Development explained that Aghadowey playpark would be a capital funded project given the significant investment in partnership with the Education Board. The Director of Leisure and Development agreed to provide an update to Councillor A McQuillan with regard to timeline.

At the request of Councillor A McQuillan the Director of Leisure and Development confirmed that work would progress promptly at Garvagh MUGA.

10.2 Harry Gregg Legacy Project (Item 33 (ii)) (Alderman Duddy)

At the request of Alderman Duddy the Director of Leisure and Development confirmed that the Harry Gregg Foundation had provided a copy of certified accounts which allowed 50% funding to be released and business plan to proceed.

10.3 Adoption of the Minute

Proposed by Councillor Callan
Seconded by Alderman Duddy

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 February 2023 are adopted therein excluding Minute Item 11, Ballycastle Shared Campus, considered '*In Committee*' at the end of the meeting.

11. CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2023

11.1 Notice of Motion proposed by Alderman S McKillop, seconded by Councillor Anderson (Referred from Council Meeting 7 February 2023) (Item 15)

Alderman S McKillop referred to a point of accuracy within the Minute and asked that her closing remarks in relation to the Notice of Motion were recorded.

11.2 Metropole Park (Item 16 (i)) (Alderman Hillis)

Alderman Hillis sought an update in relation to this Item. The Chief Executive advised an update would be provided by a colleague by the end of the week.

Alderman Hillis said he was concerned that opportunities for CAUS to secure funding were being adversely affected and expressed disappointment at the lack of progress given the Skate Park was unanimously supported by Elected Members pre-summer of 2022.

11.3 Adoption of the Minute

Proposed by Alderman S McKillop
Seconded by Alderman McLean and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee meeting held Tuesday 28 February 2023 are adopted and recommendations therein approved.

12. MATTERS FOR REPORTING TO THE PARTNERSHIP PANEL

There were no matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel.

13. CONFERENCES

The purpose of the report is to inform Elected Members of conferences and courses they may wish to attend.

The following was listed:

(i) Future Opportunities in the Cross-Border Economy Conference

Venue: Carrickdale Hotel & Spa, Dundalk

Date: Wednesday 8th March 2023
Time: 9 am – 1 pm
Delegate Fee: Free

Programme and Conference Theme previously circulated.

Members are invited to contact Democratic Services if they wish to attend.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Council consider the Conference listed.

RESOLVED – that Council note the Conference.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

Report, previously circulated, presented as read.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of the report is to present correspondence for Members' consideration.

The following correspondence has been received:

(i) NI Housing Council (correspondence dated 9 February 2023)

The Housing Council's January bulletin and December Housing Council minutes were previously circulated for Elected Member information.

(ii) Permanent Secretary and HSC Chief Executive, Peter May, Department of Health (correspondence dated 27 February 2023)

Update in relation to the Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) Act (Northern Ireland) 2023. On 7 December 2022, the Supreme Court ruled that legislation, as passed by the NI Assembly in March 2022, is compatible with human rights legislation.

(iii) Suzanne Kingon (Dr), Investment and Infrastructure Director, Department of Education (correspondence dated 23 February 2023)

Correspondence has been received from The Department of Education regarding the Ballycastle Shared Education Campus and Council's commitment.

It is recommended that Council consider the correspondence.

The Director of Leisure and Development advised the above correspondence would be considered '*In Committee*' at the end of the meeting.

RESOLVED – that Council note the correspondence schedule (Items i-ii).

15. CONSULTATION SCHEDULE

Consultation schedule, previously circulated, presented as read.

- (i) Fermanagh and Omagh District Council - Consultation on Local Development Plan Draft Plan Strategy 2030, submission by 2 March 2023
- (ii) The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland - Consultation on Approved Code of Practice for the Radiation (Emergency Preparedness and Public Information) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, submission by 14th April 2023
- (iii) Department of Justice - Consultation on Evidence of Domestic Abuse in Family Proceedings, submission by 21st April 2023
- (iv) Department for Economy - Consultation on Design Considerations for a Renewable Electricity Support Scheme for Northern Ireland, submission by 27th April 2023
- (v) South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust - Public Consultation on The Future Provision of Urgent and Emergency Care Services - Ards and North Down area, submission by 3rd May 2023

Available to view

- (i) Health and Social Care Trust - Equality and Human Rights Screening Report: October–December 2022
- (ii) Department of Environment Agriculture and Rural Affairs - Equality Screening Report: October-December 2022
- (iii) Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council - Policy Screening Report: January 2023
- (iv) Department of Finance - Statutory review of Equality Scheme: 2021/22

Open Consultations were listed:

- Northern Health and Social Care Trust Working with you to transform Acute Maternity Services, submission by 3 March 2023;
- Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA), Consultation on Draft Ammonia Strategy for Northern Ireland – submission by 3 March 2023
- Mid and East Antrim Borough Council Corporate Plan 2023-2027 Corporate Plan 2023-2027 & Performance Improvement Plan 2023-2024 – submission by 4 April 2023

RESOLVED – that Council note the Consultation Schedule.

16. SEAL DOCUMENTS

Members were advised of the undernoted items for signing and sealing by Council, approval having been previously granted and all necessary legislative requirements being met.

- (i) Grave Registry Certificates, No's 5520 to 5543 inclusive;
- (ii) Memorandum of Sale Former Glenariff Toilet Block, 120 Glen Road, Glenariff – Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Michael James Hackett (Ref LPSC 220907 /CPR 220927 /CM 221004)
- (iii) Memorandum of Sale Former King George VI Hall, Killowen Street, Coleraine – Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Adrian James Norris (Ref LPSC 220907 /CPR 220927 /CM 221004)
- (iv) Employee Car Loan (Ref 702-2038)
- (v) Green Lane Museum- Roe Valley Country Park - Keyholder Agreement update (Ref L&D 230117 /CM 230207)

Proposed by Councillor Callan
 Seconded by Councillor Mulholland

RESOLVED – that the Sealing of documents, as listed, be approved (Items i-v)

17. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR CALLAN, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN FIELDING

That this council increase fines for dog fouling, littering and other offences to maximum allowance of £200. This is following powers given to Councils by Stormont officials in the Department for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs to increase Fixed Penalty Notices in December 2022.

The Notice of Motion was referred, without discussion, to the Environmental Services Committee.

18. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR NICHOLL, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR C MCSHANE

I would like to put forward this motion for the next full council meeting as a follow up to my 2015/16 motion as mentioned below.

In 2015/16 I had a motion in relation to defibrillators, so this is an update to that motion that was passed then, with an added request to establish a fund for community / sports organisations to apply to. The British Heart Foundation can part-fund equipment, so I believe it is worth us exploring if we could establish a fund that would support this. I think this might have been established at one time in other Councils too.

"That this Council agrees to: Review and where appropriate, remedy its provision of defibrillators across its entire public estate to ensure no gaps exist in adequate service provision. This needs to include our leisure facilities, Council offices, Community centres and areas of high public footfall; Undertake a programme of training for staff who have daily contact with the public in the use of Defibrillators and CPR; and to explore establishing a fund for groups to apply to from across Causeway Coast and Glens to support funding this equipment in their communities."

The Notice of Motion was referred, without discussion, to the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee.

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Alderman Knight-McQuillan and

RESOLVED – that Council move '*In Committee*'.

- * **Press were disconnected from the meeting at 7.50pm**
- * **Guest in Public Gallery left at 7.50 pm**

The information contained in the following item is restricted in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014.

19. LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT – COVID RECOVERY SMALL SETTLEMENTS REGENERATION PROGRAMME (CRSSRP) CUSHENDALL & RASHARKIN TENDER REPORT

Report, previously circulated, was presented by the Director of Leisure and Development.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the outcome of the procurement process to appoint contractors to undertake path works in Cushendall and Rasharkin as part of the Covid Recovery Small Settlement Regeneration Programme.

Background

The Covid Recovery Small Settlements Regeneration Programme is funded through the Department for Communities [DfC], the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs [DAERA], and the Department for Infrastructure [DfI] and agreed contribution from Council.

Project A within the overall Programme is a follow on to the Village Renewal Scheme within the Rural Development Programme 2014-2020 and aims to deliver much needed facilities to 10 rural settlements.

All projects included in the Small Settlement Programme, including the Cushendall and Rasharkin path works, were approved by Council following acceptance of the Letter of Offer in March 2022.

Further Tender reports will be presented to the Committee as they are obtained for the remaining settlements within the Programme.

Procurement Process was circulated within the confidential report.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the contracts are awarded as follows:

Cushendall – John McQuillan Contracts Ltd for a contract sum of £131,380.83 (excl. VAT)

Rasharkin – BJ Construction for a contract sum of £101,981.81 (excl. VAT)

Councillor Peacock welcomed the project in Rasharkin.

Proposed by Councillor Peacock

Seconded by Councillor MA McKillop and

RESOLVED - that Council award the contracts as follows:

Cushendall – John McQuillan Contracts Ltd for a contract sum of £131,380.83 (excl. VAT);

Rasharkin – BJ Construction for a contract sum of £101,981.81 (excl. VAT)

The Director of Leisure and Development agreed to provide an update to Councillor McMullan outside of the meeting regarding the Cushendall Scheme timeline for commencement of works.

20. LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT – CUSHENDALL CHANGING PLACES TENDER REPORT

Report, previously circulated, was presented by the Director of Leisure and Development.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to seek Elected Members' approval to progress to Stage 3 of the Capital Works Process, to provide a dedicated 'Changing Places' facility for Cushendall. The project is part funded by the Department for Communities Access and Inclusion programme (£30,000).

Background

In order to meet the deadlines for expenditures, stipulated by the funders, Stage 1 and Stage 2 approval for this project was sought and provided at the January 2023 Leisure and Development Committee meeting. This project complements recent Changing Place facilities delivered by the Tourism and Recreation service at Benone and East Strand Portrush, in addition to other Changing Places facilities being developed across the Borough.

The proposal is to convert and extend the existing public toilet facilities at the harbour end of Cushendall Holiday and Leisure Park. This facility will be open to both patrons of the park and the wider public. The existing toilet block has been selected based on existing facilities and services and its location whereby it can serve both the public and Holiday Park users. Geographically there is no other Changing Place facility on the eastern side of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough area.

Benefits and Strategic Fit

This proposal will see the completion of the third fully equipped Changing Places facility within the Council area (in addition others are being planned). It will create additional opportunities for outdoor recreation in an inclusive setting at a popular Holiday and Leisure Park and coastal town.

It targets an underrepresented group and continues to set a benchmark for the standard of outdoor recreation provision.

Contributes to elements of Council's strategic plan and Community Plan.

In order to complete the very tight timescales required, subject to Council approval, Officers hope to appoint the successful contractor to allow work to start by mid-March.

Capital Works

Alterations to the existing toilet block facility are required to provide changing facilities and ablutions that meet Changing Places.

The internal re-configuration will include;

- Demolition of external and internal solid walls.
- New supporting walls linking with roof structure.
- Alterations to existing M&E infrastructure.
- Complete installation of equipment associated with the required standard for Changing Places, ceiling hoists, electronic changing bench etc.
- The exterior will include level access arrangements to suit new door entry points.

Procurement

Managed by Council's Capital Works Division, a combined PQQ & ITT, related documentation was uploaded to eSourcing on 7th February 2023, with the closing date of 12 noon, 24th February 2023. Please see Annex A, previously circulated Tender Report for a summary and output of the tender analysis process carried out. The opportunity was also advertised in the Belfast Telegraph, Irish News and Chronicle.

The assessment panel met on 24th February 2023, and the most economically advantageous tender (MEAT) was JD Building Repairs at a tender figure of £80,090.00 excl. VAT.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Leisure & Development Committee approves the advancement of the most economically advantageous tender of JD Building Repairs at £80,090.00 excl. VAT and complete on Stage 3 of the Capital Works Process (appoint winning tender, contract and manage construction) for renovation works at Cushendall Holiday and Leisure Park/Harbour carpark, to provide a dedicated 'Changing Places' facility. Elected Members are asked to make an investment decision to match fund this project at a total cost of £55,000.

Proposed by Councillor MA McKillop

Seconded by Councillor McMullan and

RESOLVED - that Council approves the advancement of the most economically advantageous tender of JD Building Repairs at £80,090.00 excl. VAT and complete on Stage 3 of the Capital Works Process (appoint winning tender, contract and manage construction) for renovation works at Cushendall Holiday and Leisure Park/Harbour carpark, to provide a dedicated 'Changing Places'

facility. Elected Members are asked to make an investment decision to match fund this project at a total cost of £55,000.

- * **Having declared an interest Councillor Storey left the Chamber during consideration of the following item**

21. LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2023 – ‘IN COMMITTEE’

Matters Arising ‘In Committee’

21.1 Ballycastle Shared Campus (Item 11)

The Director of Leisure and Development advised Elected Members of the updated position since the decision was taken at the Leisure and Development Committee meeting on Tuesday 21 February 2023.

The Director of Leisure and Development referred to some of the delays and challenges encountered including planning processes, Covid and significant increases in costs and confirmed that Peace 4 funding opportunity has ceased.

The Leisure and Development Committee considered the following options and agreed to recommend to Council Option 2 –

Defer a decision and give a commitment to DE/EA that the Council will make an application to Peace Plus for the project.

The Director of Leisure and Development advised that correspondence received from Investment and Infrastructure Director, Department of Education, dated 23 February 2023 advised that decision to defer would effectively ends Councils involvement in the Ballycastle Shared Campus project.

Councillor C McShane spoke of potential opportunities for Peace Plus funding and referred to the negotiations and work undertaken to date with other key stakeholders. Councillor C McShane said this would be a blueprint for multi-stakeholder projects operating a shared campus and shared site.

Councillor P McShane pointed to the lack of facilities and welcomed this proposal which would enhance inclusion on the shared campus in terms of education and sports.

Alderman Duddy asked for clarity on costs and the budgetary impact on other projects and the Director of Leisure and Development advised that this was a matter for the Chief Finance Officer but hoped that at the time Council contribution was required Peace Plus funding would be secured and ultimately have no impact on Council budget.

Alderman Baird emphasised the importance to the wider rural community of this project and referred to the large numbers of school children and senior citizens having to travel to Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre for swimming and the difficulties experienced in securing slots.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor C McShane
Seconded by Councillor P McShane and

RESOLVED – that Council commit to the capital investment and the associated maintenance, renewal and operational costs as outlined in this report.

Including:

A financial commitment of £3.8m as per the Cost Apportionment Schedule at Annex A, previously circulated;
and Officers to co-sign the construction contract.

* **Councillor Storey re-joined the meeting in the Chamber at 8.11 pm**

21.2 Levelling Up Fund – Coleraine Leisure Centre (Item 9)

Councillor P McShane wished to have it recorded that he questioned spending £1m on the design and planning element of Coleraine Leisure Centre, in advance of securing funding being secured.

21.3 Tennis Courts Tender Report (Item 12)

Councillor P McShane said he welcomed the investment and raised concerns about the current condition of the grass courts and asked that the necessary works are undertaken in advance of championships planned for the summer.

The Director of Leisure and Development agreed to look into this matter.

MOTION TO PROCEED ‘IN PUBLIC’

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Councillor A McQuillan and

RESOLVED – that Council move ‘*In Public*’.

Councillor Watton said he wished to extend his congratulations to Max Stirling from Windyhall, Coleraine who has been selected to play at a tournament for Glasgow Rangers. Councillor Watton said that funding was being raised to support his trip.

This being all the business, The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting concluded at 8.15 pm.

Mayor