



**Causeway
Coast & Glens**
Borough Council

Leisure Facilities Project Board

Thursday 17th August 2023

Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

Members Present: Alderman Knight-McQuillan (Chair)
Councillor McShane
Councillor McGurk
Councillor McCully

Members Apologies: Alderman Callan
Alderman McAuley
Councillor Bateson
Councillor Holmes

Officers: R Baker, Director of Leisure & Development
W McCullough, Head of Sport and 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.• Noted single item agenda ahead of Pre-Application Community Consultation for Ballycastle LC.	
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The draft minutes of the meeting of 15th February 2023 were approved by Members.	

3.	Ballycastle Leisure Centre	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers shared latest concept design plans for the new leisure centre and outdoor facilities and reported that the project was currently in line with budget, delivery plan and quality parameters set: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Planning Application Notice submitted 7th July. ○ Pre-Application Community Consultation to be launched on Monday 21st August. ○ Public event at Sheskburn Recreation Centre on Wednesday 23rd August 3-9pm. • Officers shared the presentation boards to be used on the Council’s website and at the public event and took Members through the feedback questionnaire. • Members welcomed the prior notice and the efforts taken to make sure the consultation was accessible to the community. • Members questioned the community engagement so far, in particular, from the local stakeholder engagement group and local primary school. Officers reported that they would be presenting to the group again on Monday 23rd and did not want to share any plans until Members had seen them first. • Members questioned the engagement with Planners. Officers reported ongoing engagement on the Conservation Status of the area and active consultation with key statutory bodies, including DfI Roads and NI Water. • Members queried the size of the swimming pool. Officers confirmed 25m – 4 lane pool which was based on benchmarks for local population / tourist demand in the area. 	
4.	Ballycastle Shared Education Campus – Stage 2 Decision	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers confirmed that Heron Bros Ltd was now contracted by DE and Council to undertake technical design before commencing construction in March 24 with an estimated completion date of June 27. • Officers also updated Members on progress with the SEUPB Peace Plus funding application due on 7 September for 100% capital funding of £3.8m plus associated revenue costs. • Members thanked Officers for ongoing efforts to secure external funding and queried the likelihood of success. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officers were content that the merits of the original bid remained unchanged and that the project was now at a very advanced state of readiness to spend funding. Officers acknowledged that it is competitive process but are hopeful of positive outcome by March 24. 	
8.	AORB	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officers noted work with Northern Health Trust regarding possibility of health hub at a new Coleraine Leisure Centre (and MOU) with update to follow at next meeting. 	
9.	DONM	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 11th September 2023 	