

**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER 2020**

Table of Recommendations

No	Item	Summary of Key Recommendations
1.	Apologies	Councillor MA McKillop
2.	Declarations of Interest	Nil
3.	Minutes of Meeting held Tuesday	Confirmed
4.	Notice of Motion Proposed Councillor McCaw, seconded by Alderman Boyle, referred from Council Meeting held 1 September 2020: Re: "Live Here, Love Here"	Defer consideration of the Amended Notice of Motion; Invite 'Live Here Love Here', representatives to present to Committee
5.	Notice of Motion Proposed by Councillor Mulholland, seconded by Alderman Fielding, referred from Council Meeting held 6 October 2020. Re: "Port na happle"	That this Council, in principle, provides the necessary provision of steps and path access for "Port na happle" to ensure a safe entry to the swimming facility and for exit out of same. This will ensure that local residents and visitors alike can avail of our natural coastal resources, encouraging health and wellbeing,

		<i>including mental health; That a report is brought back to explore costings, liabilities and insurance.</i>
6.	Any Other Relevant Business (notified in accordance with Standing Order 12 (o))	<i>Bring report back</i>
	(i) Alderman Baird Re: Ballycastle Harbour and Marina commercial and leisure charging	
7.	Grant of Approval of a Premises as a Venue for Civil Marriage and Civil Partnership	<i>Grant</i>
8.	Grant of Petroleum Spirit Licences	<i>Grant 2no. applications</i>
9.	Building (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 – Consultation Response	<i>Council endorse the consultation response as provided</i>
10.	Dual Language Street Signs Applications	<i>Note the outcome of the consultation process and that the applicant be advised that applications have not been approved in line with Council policy</i>
11.	Consultation on Front-of-Pack Nutrition Labelling in the UK	<i>Council endorse and submit the response pending full Council approval due to submission time constraints</i>
12.	Update on Affordable Warmth Scheme	<i>Council endorse the response; Council continue to negotiate with the</i>

		<p>Department for Communities to deliver this scheme in partnership on the basis that it will be no cost to Council;</p> <p>Council agree to delivering 36 referrals per month to NIHE, with the recruitment of 1 additional unit of staff be undertaken immediately and to remain in post for the remainder of the financial year 2020-2021 at which time it will be reviewed</p>
13.	Feasibility of Purchasing Seabin Equipment for Council Harbour and Marina Facilities	Council does not purchase any Seabin equipment for their Harbour and Marina facilities
14.	Household Recycling Centre Revised Opening Times	Approve Option 1, as amended, to include Monday
	For Information (Items 15-22 inclusive)	
15.	Approval of Premises as a Venue for Civil Marriage	Information
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17.	Entertainments Licence Renewals	Information
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19.	Petroleum Spirit Licence Renewals	Information
20.	Street Trading Licence Renewals	Information
21.	Operation Night Safe	Information

22.	Drinking Water Quality Report 2019	Information
23.	Correspondence	
	(i) Brexit Stakeholder Event	Nominate The Mayor, Alderman Fielding
24.	Consultations	
	(i) Draft Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 and Associated Gas (EU Exit) Amending Regulations	Information
25.	Conferences	Nil
26.	Matters for Reporting to Partnership Panel	Nil
	IN COMMITTEE (Items 27-30 inclusive)	
27.	Garvagh War Memorial	Approve Option 3
28.	Westbay Promenade, Portrush – Resin Bound Surface Reinstatement	Council note the contents of this report and appoint Active Maintenance Solutions Limited in the sum of £22,895.00, (excl. vat) for the installation of new resin bound surfacing reinstatement
29.	Period 4 ES Management Accounts	Information; Director to bring information on car park returns
30.	Period 5 ES Management Accounts	Information

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, CIVIC HEADQUARTERS
AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE
ON TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER 2020 AT 7:00PM**

In the Chair: Alderman McQuillan (C)

Members Present: Alderman Boyle (C), Alderman Fielding, Finlay (C) and Robinson (R)
Councillors Bateson(R), Beattie (R), Chivers (R), Holmes (C), Hunter (R), McGlinchey (R), McLaughlin (R), McLean (C), Schenning (R), Wallace (C) and Wilson (R)

Non Committee Members Present Alderman Baird (R); Councillors Mulholland, (R) McCaw (C) and Scott (R)

Officers Present: A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services (C)
B Edgar, Head of Health & Built Environment (R)
A Mullan, Head of Operations (R)
G Doyle, Head of Estates (R)
J Richardson, Head of Capital Works, Energy & Infrastructure (R)
J Morton, Harbour Master (R)
Democratic & Central Services Manager (Items 26-29) (R)
S Duggan, Civic Support & Committee & Member Services Officer (C)

In Attendance: Press (3 No.) (R)

Key:

C = Chamber **R** = Remote

SUBSTITUTIONS

Councillor Schenning substituted for Councillor MA McKillop.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded to Councillor MA McKillop.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest recorded.

3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD TUESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2020

Summary previously circulated.

AGREED – that the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting held Tuesday 8 September 2020 are confirmed.

AGREED – To Change The Order of Business, to receive the 2 No. Notice of Motions and Any Other Relevant Business next on the Agenda.

4. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED COUNCILLOR MCCAW, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BOYLE, REFERRED FROM COUNCIL MEETING HELD 1 SEPTEMBER 2020

* **Councillor Schenning joined the meeting at 7.05PM.**

* **Councillor McGlinchey joined the meeting at 7.05PM.**

* **Councillor Scott joined the meeting at 7.10PM.**

'That this Council sign up to Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful's "Live Here, Love Here" campaign, in order to become a full participant in its events and grants programmes in the fields of litter removal, enhancement of green spaces and biodiversity and improvement of disused or derelict areas.'

Councillor McCaw spoke in support of the Notice of Motion. Councillor McCaw referred to email update and presentation from Live Here Love Here which indicated there was a strategic partner from every Council but Causeway Coast and Glens. Councillor McCaw stated the campaign tackled environmental issues with practical initiatives.

Alderman Boyle seconded the Notice of Motion and read the following statement:

"I am pleased to second my colleague Cllr Chris McCaw's motion. We all have challenges at present, whatever our living circumstances. Live Here Love Here has widened their small grants scheme criteria to assist those particularly experiencing the impact of Covid. Their recent TV advertising tackled PPE littering, on the go littering and littering in beauty spots.

I am aware that Cllr McCaw and others have been active collecting litter on the North Coast with a community group. I regularly collect recyclable litter when walking into Coleraine and along the River Bann, averaging ten items in ten minutes. Ongoing littering remains a constant and costly problem.

Live Here Love Here has funded two projects in our Council area from other sources, despite lack of support from the Council. (They received applications for 22.) The first is the Cornfield Project, Coleraine, (Focus on

Family) engaging a local ex veterans group. It will create a 'Who is Rubbish?' installation helping to reduce littering and providing positive environmental outcomes.

The second is a 'Food for Thought' allotment project run by Mosside Community Association. Located between Ballymoney and Armoy, this 'Grow your Own' project promotes family engagement, enhances life skills and reduces food poverty.

As in other Council areas, they could do so much more if we were working in partnership with them.

In conclusion, Live Here Love Here supports those who focus on pollution solutions, climate action, and biodiversity recovery. Supporting them would be a win, win situation!"

Alderman Robinson stated, whilst not detracting from the 'Live Here Love Here' Campaign, they had presented to Council in the past and suggested, that in the new mandate of Council, they present again.

Councillor McLean considered any potential environmental grant funding could be carried out within Council's own administration and managed internally. Councillor McLean was aware the campaign carried out work in the Council area without contribution from Council.

Amendment

Proposed by Alderman Robinson

Seconded by Councillor McLean

- To recommend that Council defer consideration of the Notice of Motion and invite 'Live Here Love Here', representatives to present to Committee.

Councillor Bateson stated he was content to support the Notice of Motion and also to receive a presentation. Councillor Bateson asked the proposer and seconder of the Notice of Motion to include that a report would be brought back in one years' time detailing the effectiveness of the campaign.

Councillor McCaw stated he was content with this wording, including the seconder, Alderman Boyle.

That this Council sign up to Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful's "Live Here, Love Here" campaign, in order to become a full participant in its events and grants programmes in the fields of litter removal, enhancement of green spaces and biodiversity and improvement of disused or derelict areas;

That a report is brought back in one years' time detailing the effectiveness of the Live Here Love Here campaign to Council.

The Chair put the Amendment from Alderman Robinson, seconded Councillor McLean to the Committee to vote.

15 Members voted For; 1 Member voted Against.

The Chair declared the Amendment carried.

The Director of Environmental Services advised the representatives would be invited to present virtually to the next Environmental Services Committee meeting.

5. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR MULHOLLAND, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN FIELDING, REFERRED FROM COUNCIL MEETING HELD 6 OCTOBER 2020.

That this Council provides the necessary provision of steps and path access for "Port na happle" to ensure a safe entry to the swimming facility and for exit out of same. This will ensure that local residents and visitors alike can avail of our natural coastal resources, encouraging health and wellbeing, including mental health.'

Councillor Mulholland read a statement in support of the Notice of Motion:

"Thank you chair for affording me the opportunity to put forward this motion this evening to the environmental committee.

This motion is self-explanatory

That this council provides the necessary provision of steps and path access for Portna happle to ensure that a safe entry to the swimming pool facility and for exit out of same. This will ensure that local residents and visitors alike can avail of our natural coastal resources, encouraging health and wellbeing, including mental health.

Forever local people have enjoyed the benefit of swimming at Port Na Happle. I have fond memories of swimming there when I was a pupil at Dominican Convent as it was known then. Sea swimming has increased in popularity particularly during this year and as a consequence of the ongoing Covid 19 situation. It is scientifically proven to benefit both physical and mental health. More now than ever we need these steps and secure path installed as we have been without access to indoor swimming for most of this year (although now open on a phased operation this may well change again.) Port na Happle provides above all a safe water space for swimming and as many of the daily users are older people they require from this Council a proper means of entry and exit out of the water. As we are constantly reminded of our need to play a part in promoting tourism within our Borough, this facility if improved would help to further promote Portstewart as a prime swimming location on our coast. It is these natural attractions such as the beach, Port na Happle and the Herring Pond which make Portstewart a Holiday destination and a desirable place to live. So what needs to be done.... Port na Happle is a long inlet from the sea giving a splendid swiming station. At one time there were high diving boards and a springboard. The rocks had been concreted to provide a safe walking surface to those entering the water. The weeds used to be

cleared by the former Portstewart Town Council. All is now ruined. The sea has washed away the concrete surface. It has not been replaced. All the diving boards have been removed. One set of ladders remains and it is in very poor condition. The weeds have grown wild. However the demand for this facility has increased, Scuba Divers now swim there and the current hobby of canoeing means they can use the inlet and they do.

So therefore I hope that members please support this motion this evening thank you”.

Alderman Fielding seconded the Notice of Motion.

Councillor Wilson stated support for coasteering and outdoor pursuits. Councillor Wilson asked the proposer and seconder to include that Council explore costings, liabilities and insurance and that a report be brought back.

Alderman Finlay stated support, in principle, and that a report is brought back with costings.

The Director of Environmental Services stated the usual process would be a preparation of options report and costs to be brought before committee.

The proposer Councillor Mulholland and seconder, Alderman Fielding agreed to amend their Notice of Motion:

*That this Council, in principle, provides the necessary provision of steps and path access for “Port na happle” to ensure a safe entry to the swimming facility and for exit out of same. This will ensure that local residents and visitors alike can avail of our natural coastal resources, encouraging health and wellbeing, including mental health;
That a report is brought back to explore costings, liabilities and insurance.*

The Chair put the amended Notice of Motion to the Committee to vote.

AGREED – to recommend that Council support the Notice of Motion, as amended.

- * **Councillor McCaw left the meeting at 7.36PM.**
- * **Councillor Mulholland left the meeting at 7.36PM.**

6. ANY OTHER RELEVANT BUSINESS (NOTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 12 (O))

(i) Alderman Baird

Can Council advise on the policy and rules governing use of the slip way at Ballycastle Harbour and how this ties in with the mooring policy in the adjoining marina.

Is it acceptable for a commercial operator to pay daily slip way fees and launch on a daily basis whilst other operators must join a waiting list and pay berthing fees?

What is the differential in the fees and is this an equitable arrangement for boat owners and Council alike?

The Director of Environmental Services advised Council did not distinguish between commercial and leisure purposes. He outlined the difference; convenience in the effort required using a slipway and daily access compared to a boat berthed at a marina which was more convenient.

AGREED – to recommend to Council that The Director of Environmental Services bring a report back.

7. GRANT OF APPROVAL OF A PREMISES AS A VENUE FOR CIVIL MARRIAGE AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP

Report, previously circulated.

Approval of A Place As A Venue For Civil Marriage And Civil Partnership

Reference Number: MA 039 / CP 039

Premises: Clonaslee House, 232 Windyhill Road, Coleraine BT51 4JN

Application: Application has been received for the Grant of Approval as a place of Civil Marriage/Civil Partnership

Representations: None received

PSNI and NIFRS: No objections

It is recommended that the premises be granted Approval for Civil Marriage/ Civil Partnership subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Councils licensing section.

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Alderman Boyle and

AGREED – to recommend to Council that the premises be granted Approval for Civil Marriage/ Civil Partnership subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Councils licensing section.

8. GRANT OF PETROLEUM SPIRIT LICENCES

Report, previously circulated.

(i) Grant of Petroleum Licence

Ref: PL069

Premises: Derrychrier Services Limited, 772 Feeny Road,
Dungiven

It is recommended that the premises be granted a Petroleum Spirit Licence subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Councils licensing section.

Proposed by Councillor Wallace

Seconded by Councillor Schenning and

AGREED – to recommend to Council that the premises be granted a Petroleum Spirit Licence subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Councils licensing section.

(ii) Grant of Petroleum Licence

Ref: PL068

Premises: Nicholls 24, 176 Clooney Road, Greysteel

It is recommended that the premises be granted a Petroleum Spirit Licence subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Councils licensing section.

Proposed by Councillor Wallace

Seconded by Councillor Schenning and

AGREED – to recommend to Council that the premises be granted a Petroleum Spirit Licence subject to compliance with any recommendations of the Councils licensing section.

9. BUILDING (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2020 – CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Report, previously circulated.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is provide members with a response to the consultation issued by the Department of Finance on the 14th August 2020 with respect to the Building (Amendment) Regulations 2020, to Parts A, B and C of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended) and changes to Technical Booklets B, C and E.

Background

Since the Grenfell fire there has been much debate about compliance with the Building Regulations requirement for external walls on buildings to adequately resist the spread of fire. The objective of this policy change is to provide certainty about materials to be used in external wall systems of certain buildings ('relevant buildings').

The consultation proposes an amendment to Part B (Materials and workmanship) legislation and accompanying guidance and a consequential amendment to Part A (Interpretation and general) legislation to introduce a new requirement to ban the use of combustible materials on the external walls of 'relevant buildings', mainly of a residential type.

The consultation also proposes an amendment to Part C (Site preparation and resistance to contaminants and moisture) to amend the definition of "radon affected area" to make reference to a 2015 Public Health England (PHE) publication 'Radon in Northern Ireland: Indicative atlas'. This atlas gives a much more accurate radon map for Northern Ireland. The amendment will be accompanied with guidance changes in Technical Booklet C (Site preparation and resistance to contaminants and moisture) to regulation 26(2) requirements on the measures to be taken to prevent or limit the ingress of radon from the ground into any dwelling situated in a radon affected area.

**Radon* is a colourless, odourless radioactive gas formed by the radioactive decay of small amounts of uranium that occur naturally in all rocks and soils. The main danger from high *radon* exposure is the increased risk of lung cancer.

The closing date for receipt of responses was 4.00 pm on Friday 09 October 2020.

A detailed response has been provided at Appendix A (circulated) to this report by the Building Control Manager and BCNI.

It is recommended that the Committee endorses the consultation response as provided.

Proposed by Councillor Hunter
Seconded by Councillor Wilson and

AGREED – to recommend that Council endorse the consultation response as provided.

10. DUAL LANGUAGE STREET SIGNS APPLICATIONS

Report, previously circulated, presented by The Director of Environmental Services.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is provide members with information following the processing of 12 No applications received from a community group in the Dungiven area for dual language street signs to be in English and Irish under Councils Street Naming and Property

Numbering Policy and procedure adopted 24th November 2015
 CM151124 7.3 refers.

Background

The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1995 affords Council discretion to approve numbers, name streets and provide street signage including street names expressed in languages other than English.

12 No applications for dual language street signs, in English and Irish, were made for the following locations on 5th December 2019; after inspection of the electoral register all residents within these locations, appearing on the electoral register, were consulted during the dates indicated:-

Farkland Road	19 February 2020 - 25 March 2020
Cloughfin View	19 February 2020 - 25 March 2020
Cherry Drive	19 February 2020 - 25 March 2020
Altagarron Road	26 February 2020 - 01 April 2020
Crock-na-brock Road	26 February 2020 - 01 April 2020
Columbia Park	26 February 2020 - 01 April 2020
Glen Park	03 March 2020 - 07 April 2020
Muldonagh Cottages	04 March 2020 - 08 April 2020
Sheascan View	10 March 2020 - 14 April 2020
Altmover Road	11 March 2020 - 15 April 2020
Muldonagh Road	11 March 2020 - 15 April 2020
Foreglen Road	16 March 2020 - 22 April 2020

As per item 5.0 of the policy and by delegated authority, these applications have completed the consultation process and the results are indicated on the table below:

Table to show replies received for erection of dual language street nameplates in English and Irish

Name of Road	Number consulted	2/3 Quota	Valid replies		Invalid replies & reasons	
			Yes	No		
Farkland Road	5	3.33	1			
Cloughfin View	7	4.67	3			
Cherry Drive	4	2.67	2		2	Received after deadline

Altagarron Road	21	14	12	1	1	No choice indicated
Crock-Na-Brock Road	12	8	6			
Columbia Park	88	58.67	35	1	4 1	Received after deadline No choice indicated
Glen Park	23	15.33	14			
Muldonagh Cottages	40	26.67	14		3	No choice indicated
Sheascan View	34	22.67	19		1	No choice indicated
Alt mover Road	54	36	28		1	Received after deadline
Muldonagh Road	82	54.67	29		1 3	Multiple choices selected Received after deadline
Foreglen Road (Foreglen Village)	69	46	26			

As less than two thirds of those consulted on all of the streets have responded in favour, in line with item 5.0 of the Policy, these applications have not been approved for a dual language street sign.

Where an application to have an existing street name expressed in a second language is not approved, the resident/s making the original request will be notified. Any further applications for naming in a second language will not be considered until the expiry of a 5 year period from the date of refusal as it is thought unlikely that the opinion of the occupants of any street would change to an extent where this result would be overturned in any less a period.

It is recommended that the Committee notes the outcome of the consultation process and that the applicant be advised that applications have not been approved in line with Council policy.

Councillor Bateson stated two thirds of the consultation had come into effect during lockdown, people's thoughts were elsewhere and the process flawed. He advised the majority of residents were in favour of the signs.

Proposed by Councillor Bateson
Seconded by Councillor Chivers

- To recommend that the consultation process having taken place during lockdown is flawed; a further consultation process is carried out.

Councillor Wilson considered residents had time to look at the consultation and submit a response; he stated he was happy to accept the recommendation in the report based on what the residents of the street want.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor Wilson

Seconded by Councillor Holmes

- To recommend that Council notes the outcome of the consultation process and that the applicant be advised that applications have not been approved in line with Council policy.

Councillor Holmes stated the majority did not respond, and there was a Policy in place.

The Director of Environmental Services clarified the work had been carried out based on the Policy.

Alderman Robinson supported seconding the Amendment, he advised people had a lot of time; that it was not a valid reason.

Councillor McLaughlin supported seconding the substantive motion.

Councillor Beattie stated her support for Councillor Bateson, she stated Covid played a part as people were self-isolating, whilst understanding Officers followed the Policy.

The Chair put the Amendment to the Committee to vote.

9 Members voted For; 7 Members voted Against.

The Chair declared the Amendment carried.

11. CONSULTATION ON FRONT-OF-PACK NUTRITION LABELLING IN THE UK

Report, previously circulated, presented by The Head of Health and Built Environment.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide a Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council response to the consultation.

The Food Standards Agency in NI, working in partnership with the Department of Health and Social Care, Food Standards Scotland and the Welsh Government, launched the joint four nation Front of Pack Nutritional Labelling consultation in August 2020.

Front of pack nutrition labelling has been recognised as an important tool to support consumers to better understand the nutrient content of their food and drink. This 'Call to Evidence' consultation aims to ensure that the UK front of pack nutrition label on prepacked foods still meets the needs of shoppers to make informed purchasing decisions for themselves and their families. The objectives of the four nation consultation are to:

- ensure the UK has a front of pack nutrition label that is evidence based and supports all consumers to make healthier decisions about the food and drink they buy
- maintain and extend the use of front of pack nutritional labelling across the widest range of appropriate food and drink products and
- achieve the greatest possible consistency in the way this information is presented, taking account of what is known about the forms of presentation that support shoppers to make healthier choices.

The current UK voluntary front of pack nutrition label referred to as the 'multiple traffic light' label (see below) was agreed and recommended by the four Health Ministers in 2013. This label uses a colour coded system to demonstrate at a glance whether a product is high (red), medium (amber) or low (green) in fat, saturated fat, sugars and salt, in addition to providing information on energy.

The full consultation paper can be found at:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/front-of-pack-nutrition-labelling-in-the-uk-building-on-success>

Appendix 1 (circulated) was a suggested response to the consultation. The closing date for submission of responses to the Department of Health and Social Care is 21st October 2020.

It is recommended that Council endorse and submit this response pending full Council approval due to submission time constraints.

Proposed by Councillor Hunter

Seconded by Councillor McLean and

AGREED – to recommend that Council endorse and submit the response pending full Council approval due to submission time constraints.

12. UPDATE ON AFFORDABLE WARMTH SCHEME

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Health and Built Environment.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is provide members with an opportunity to re-consider the previously submitted report (ES 200908) on the Affordable Warmth Scheme following receipt of correspondence from

Department for Communities (DfC) dated 14th August 2020. See appendix 1 (circulated). A response has been prepared and issued as per Appendix 2. Updated information is provided at paragraph 6.0.

Background

Since the inception of the Affordable Warmth Scheme, which was designed to target those most vulnerable in our society in relation to fuel poverty and provide them with support in improving the thermal performance of their dwelling, Councils have worked with their partners (NIHE and DfC) to deliver a successful Scheme.

Over the life of the scheme (some 7 years), council's role has evolved, developed and become more involved with additional duties and responsibilities in making successful referrals for home improvement works to be carried out. At the same time, the amount of financial funding to support the councils in delivering has been reduced year on year. From an original staffing level of five full time members, this has now been reduced to one.

All councils agreed to be partners in the Scheme as they clearly saw the benefits to their citizens. The original delivery model and Service Level Agreement was based on the cost neutrality to the councils of this Departmental initiative.

Councils recognise the number of local residents that have benefited from improvement measures as a result of successful applications and indeed the economic benefit to local installers and suppliers.

Current Business Plan

Unfortunately, councils are currently in disagreement with the Department on future funding proposals. The Department has recently agreed an internal 5 year business plan for the future of the Scheme, but this is based on a 'pay per referral' model. In short, the Department have imposed a model where councils are only paid for referrals made. This moves the financial risk from the Department to councils and was not what was initially agreed with councils in that scheme delivery would be at no cost to the local ratepayer. The original agreed partnership arrangement included a flat rate, lump sum for delivering the councils role on an annual basis. This allowed councils to recruit and support the Departments Scheme in a balanced and financially fair way. This imposed arrangement now requires a minimum of 18 referrals per month over the course of the year to be submitted to ensure cost recovery.

In the most recent correspondence from the DfC, council was advised that it would be required to make 44 referrals to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive each month from August 2020 in order to maximise the budget available (£12M) to spend across the province. It is the DfC's view that the target is achievable should councils fulfil their agreement to work on Emergency referrals during the period when restrictions to the scheme were in place and to process normal referrals as far as possible. In order to meet

this demand, a further 2 units of staff would require to be recruited and trained, with the likelihood that it would be 8-12 weeks before fully operational.

Additionally, achieving 44 referrals per month would necessitate an easing in the current scheme restrictions (it is currently targeted with at least 60% of referrals coming from a targeted list) with the remainder self-referrals that meet the scheme criteria. Open promotion of the scheme is not permitted.

COVID-19

Due to COVID-19, the proposed model of delivering a set number of referrals a month was suspended by the Department who asked councils to continue to refer emergency cases only through COVID-19 and make preparations for reinstatement on the lifting of lockdown. The Department made a payment of £10.9k for the first quarter of 20/21 to support this function, although this was only after representation to Council and not before it was necessary to furlough the staff member.

Correspondence dated 25th June 2020 from David Polley, DfC, indicates the Departments intentions of stepping up the Scheme (in due course), but asking councils to take additional responsibility of ensuring access for Officers of both Council and NIHE and ensuring manufacturer's reports are available for faulty heating systems. This in itself doesn't sound overly burdensome, however when we consider a targeted Scheme with a current ratio of 6 door knocks to each successful referral, (some councils are finding a higher ratio) the front end work to achieve a successful referral is mounting at a time when the Department appear intent on only paying for each successful referral. It is also felt that this additional requirement could dissuade vulnerable citizens from wishing to participate in the referral process as well as add additional financial burden to the ratepayer at a time of already mounting council costs due to COVID-19.

Council has worked diligently to carry out risk assessments and revised visit protocols to recommence service delivery. This has placed additional burdens on staff and vulnerable clients which again affects the numbers of referrals a surveyor is able to process. Council has continued to process Emergency applications where possible and has reintroduced normal service delivery from mid-August 2020.

Whilst the current health pandemic prevails, there remains uncertainty around service delivery in any sector or geographical area with surges in cases, the development of local clusters and the potential re-imposition of restrictions. Whilst our own business continuity plans take account of this, it would appear that the DfC does not recognise this fact.

Service level Agreement

There is no service level agreement in place with Councils. The last signed SLA on behalf of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council was September 2018 and the funding agreed at that time for the period 2018-2019 was agreed in July 2018. This was on a flat rate basis.

There has been no engagement on a revised SLA for either 2019-2020 or 2020-2021. The Department intention was to have the SLA formally agreed before the end of August, but at time of writing no documents have been provided for consideration.

Update Information

DfC have acknowledged that the change to the funding model has transferred risk to Councils from the Department. The Department is working to confirm AWS budgets over the longer term to provide more certainty for Councils. Following a meeting with SOLACE on 22 September, DfC officials have undertaken to establish if there is scope to revisit this model so that payments are made to Councils on a 50/50 flat rate/ referral basis.

The Scheme has an approved budget of £12m for the 2020/21 financial year. However, the impact of COVID in the first three months of the year, and the lower than expected number of referrals submitted in the period after lockdown ended (from July to 17th September (Qtr2) 450 referrals were received across all councils against requirement of 1397) has threatened a significant underspend. Given the need to fully maximise the budget potential to address fuel poverty, and the risk to livelihoods from failing unnecessarily to restart economic activity in a timely way, the Department agreed with SOLACE that they should continue working together to maximise the budget spend in 2020/21.

It is recommended that Council endorse the response at Appendix 2 (circulated) to the report.

It is recommended that Council continue to negotiate with the Department for Communities to deliver this scheme in partnership on the basis that it will be no cost to Council.

It is recommended that should Council agree to delivering 36 referrals per month to NIHE, with the recruitment of 1 additional unit of staff be undertaken immediately and to remain in post for the remainder of the financial year 2020-2021 at which time it will be reviewed.

Proposed by Alderman Boyle

Seconded by Councillor Bateson and

AGREED – to recommend that Council endorse the response at Appendix 2 (circulated) to the report;

To recommend that Council continue to negotiate with the Department for Communities to deliver this scheme in partnership on the basis that it will be no cost to Council;

To recommend that should Council agree to delivering 36 referrals per month to NIHE, with the recruitment of 1 additional unit of staff be undertaken immediately and to remain in post for the remainder of the financial year 2020-2021 at which time it will be reviewed.

13. FEASIBILITY OF PURCHASING SEABIN EQUIPMENT FOR COUNCIL HARBOUR AND MARINA FACILITIES

Report, previously circulated presented by the Director of Environmental Services.

Members of the Environmental Services Committee have asked officers to investigate the potential purchasing and use of a sea based litter recovery product, called the Seabin.

The Borough Harbour Master has investigated the equipment and the suitability of all of Council's Harbour and Marina facilities, assessing each on the specific criteria required for the equipment to operate effectively.

A feasibility report is included for member's information (appendix A).

Based on the information from the supplier, other operator feedback and the assessment of Council facilities, **it is recommended** that Council do not purchase any Seabin equipment for their Harbour and Marina facilities.

Councillor McLean commented on the Borough's spectacular coastline, the area damaged marine wildlife due to an increase in plastics. Councillor McLean queried what mechanisms Council had in place and if there was anything else that could assist.

The Director of Environmental Services advised nets had been used in Harbours and Marinas, Council encouraged community litter picks and Community Groups to collect material washed up on beaches and coastal routes; Inland litter picks and community litter picks took place and in the town centres, mechanical sweepers.

Councillor Wilson considered storm drains and tributaries were an issue and suggested dialogue between Rivers Agency and NI Water and the use of nets.

Proposed by Councillor McLean
Seconded by Alderman Boyle and

AGREED – to recommend that Council does not purchase any Seabin equipment for their Harbour and Marina facilities.

* **Alderman Finlay left the meeting at 8.14PM.**

14. HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING CENTRE REVISED OPENING TIMES

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Operations.

Purpose of Report

This report sets out options for revised opening times at Garvagh, Kilrea, Portrush and Portstewart Household Recycling Centres (HRCs).

Options to include information on days of operation, opening times and staff allocation.

Background

Council reopened its network of household recycling centres on 4th May 2020.

Prior to lockdown, Garvagh, Kilrea, Portrush and Portstewart HRCs operated with one member of staff at each site.

After reopening, and to assist with traffic control and general site management, each of these sites were allocated an additional member of staff.

Other HRCs that had an extra member of staff deployed were Castlerock and Dungiven.

Based on the number of users, and to help with departmental staffing pressures, a trial was initiated week commencing Monday 22nd June 2020 which saw the opening of Garvagh and Kilrea HRCs on alternate days. Garvagh HRC opened on a *Wednesday, Friday and Saturday* and Kilrea HRC opened on a *Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday*.

Both Garvagh and Kilrea HRCs did not open on a Monday.

To further normalise HRC operations post lockdown, the above mentioned sites that were previously allocated an additional member of staff have now reverted to one member of staff per site from 28th September 2020. This change will be kept under review within the context of the booking system and user demand.

If the current opening arrangement of alternate days between Garvagh and Kilrea HRCs is maintained, one member of staff could operate both sites, Monday to Friday. This would release a member of staff from HRC duties.

An agency member of staff could be released saving circa £20k per year.

A similar pattern of opening could be trialled over the winter months (November to March inclusive) at Portrush and Portstewart HRCs.

For the Portrush/Portstewart trial staff from each site would work together to ascertain viability of reducing staff numbers further.

Garvagh, Kilrea, Portrush and Portstewart HRCs can accommodate alternate day opening.

The table below show user numbers and capacity at each site over a 3 month period was circulated.

Options

Each of the 3 options below can be applied to Garvagh / Kilrea HRCs pairing and/or Portrush / Portstewart HRCs pairing.

Option 1

This option is currently operational between Garvagh and Kilrea HRCs. Each site opens 2 weekdays and a Saturday each week. Monday closure at each site.

Site	Days Open
HRC 1	Wed, Fri, Sat
HRC 2	Tues, Thurs, Sat

Option 2

This option includes a Monday opening alternating between site pairing. This option will include opening all sites on a bank holiday Monday.

Site	Rota	Days Open
HRC 1	Week 1	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat
HRC 2	Week 1	Tues, Thurs, Sat
HRC 1	Week 2	Wed, Fri, Sat
HRC 2	Week 2	Mon, Tues, Thurs, Sat

Option 3

This option reverts to the original opening arrangements pre-lockdown of 6 days per week, Monday to Saturday, at each site.

Site	Days Open
HRC 1	Monday to Saturday
HRC 2	Monday to Saturday

It is recommended that the Environmental Services Committee approves to trial option 2 at Garvagh / Kilrea and Portrush / Portstewart Household Recycling Centres from November 2020 until March 2021.

Councillor Bateson stated there was a sense of loss of service for the people of Kilrea and Garvagh, other centres were open six days a week and the saving was not vast. He supported all household recycling centres to be open on a six day a week basis across Causeway Coast and Glens.

Proposal A

Proposed by Councillor Bateson
Seconded by Councillor McLaughlin

- to recommend that Council approve Option 3:
This option reverts to the original opening arrangements pre-lockdown of 6 days per week, Monday to Saturday, at each site.

Site	Days Open
HRC 1	Monday to Saturday
HRC 2	Monday to Saturday

Alderman Fielding stated his DEA had not been consulted.

In response to Councillor Wilson, the Head of Operations clarified the staffing arrangement at the sites.

Councillor Holmes stated he had received no complaints. Councillor Holmes, referring to Option 2 suggested fixed days or half days would be a better option.

The Chair, Councillor McQuillan stated he was happy with Option 2.

The Chair put the proposal to the Committee to vote.

7 Members voted For; 7 Members voted Against; 1 Member Abstained.

The Chair used his casting vote Against (8).

The Chair declared the proposal lost.

Proposal B

Proposed by Councillor McQuillan

Seconded by Councillor Holmes

- to recommend that Council approve Option 2 for Kilrea and Garvagh: This option includes a Monday opening alternating between site pairing. This option will include opening all sites on a bank holiday Monday.

Site	Rota	Days Open
HRC 1	Week 1	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat
HRC 2	Week 1	Tues, Thurs, Sat
HRC 1	Week 2	Wed, Fri, Sat
HRC 2	Week 2	Mon, Tues, Thurs, Sat

The Chair put the proposal to the Committee to vote.

6 Members voted For; 8 Members voted Against; 1 Member Abstained.

The Chair declared the proposal lost.

It was suggested by Councillor Holmes and supported by Councillor Wilson that Committee defer consideration to the Council meeting.

Alderman Boyle considered exploring Option 2 for Kilrea and Garvagh.

The Chair stated he would accept a proposal.

Councillor Holmes suggested Option 1 but to include Monday's.

Proposal C

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Councillor Hunter

- To recommend that Council approve Option 1, as amended, to include Monday (Garvagh and Kilrea).

Site	Days Open
HRC 1	Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
HRC 2	Monday, Thursday, Saturday

The Chair put the proposal to the Committee to vote.

7 Members voted For; 7 Members voted Against; 1 Member Abstained.

The Chair used his casting vote For (8).

The Chair declared the motion carried.

The Chair advised the following Items were for Information.

15. APPROVAL OF PREMISES AS A VENUE FOR CIVIL MARRIAGE

Report, previously circulated.

The Marriage (NI) Order 2003

Approval of premises as a venue for Civil Marriage.

The undernoted application for renewal as an approved place for Civil Marriage was received, acknowledged and processed during the report period.

Unique Reference Number	Premises Name	Approval Type
MA026	Kilmore Country House	Renewal

16. APPROVAL OF PREMISES AS A VENUE FOR CIVIL PARTNERSHIP

Report, previously circulated.

The Civil Partnership Regulation (NI) 2005 - The Civil Partnership Act 2004

Approval of premises as a venue for Civil Partnership.

The undernoted application for renewal as an approved place for Civil Partnership was received, acknowledged and processed during the report period.

Unique Reference Number	Premises Name	Approval Type
CP026	Kilmore Country House	Renewal

17. ENTERTAINMENTS LICENCE RENEWALS

Report, previously circulated.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Ni) Order 1985 Entertainment Licences

The undernoted applications for an entertainments licence have been received, acknowledged and processed during the report period.

Unique Reference Number	Name of Premises
EL176	Marine Hotel
EL171	Mosside Presbyterian Church Hall
EL167	Bushmills Orange Hall

18. LICENCES ISSUED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Report, previously circulated.

The below licences were issued under Delegated Authority during the last report period:

The Civil Partnership Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

Unique Reference Number	Premises Name	Approval Type
CP002	Mussenden Temple	Variation

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985

Articles 13 &14, Practice Of Acupuncture/Business Of Cosmetic Piercing/Tattooing/Semi-Permanent Skin-Colouring/Electrolysis

Unique Reference Number	Premises	Type of Registration
CP/02/20	The Beauty Boutique	Cosmetic Piercing
CP/03/20	KKNI INKK	Cosmetic Piercing
T/01/20	Leviathan Ink	Tattooing

19. PETROLEUM SPIRIT LICENCE RENEWALS

Report, previously circulated.

Petroleum (Regulation) Acts 1929 And 1937 - Petroleum Spirit Licences

The undernoted application for renewal of petroleum spirit licence was received acknowledged and processed during the report period.

Licence No:	Name of Premises
PL051	Costcuttter Mosside

20. STREET TRADING LICENCE RENEWALS

Report, previously circulated.

Street Trading (NI) Act 2001

The undernoted application for a street trading licence was received, acknowledged and processed during the report period.

Unique Reference Number	Applicant	Type of Licence	Commodity	Location
SST 009	Deborah Brown	Stationary	Hot Food	Newbridge lay-by on North East side of the A26, Coleraine.

21. OPERATION NIGHT SAFE

Report, previously circulated.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update members of an initiative aimed at reducing anti-social behaviour associated with student accommodation in the borough.

Background

Council's Environmental Health Officers annually work in partnership with Ulster University and PSNI in 'Operation Nightsafe' initiative to proactively deal with anti-social behaviour around the student residential areas of the borough. With the additional challenges associated with Covid 19 the partnership recently distributed a joint letter to all students living off campus.

The letter highlighted new sanctions introduced by the University for students reported for breaching COVID regulations which includes an immediate precautionary suspension, participation in '*COVID and Good Citizenship Awareness Training*' delivered by the University with the support of PHA and submission of a compulsory reflective submission before suspension is lifted. The letter also highlighted the importance of being a good neighbour by not causing noise disturbance to the local community, encouraged students to download the Stop COVID NI app, highlighted sources of wellbeing support and provided information on waste collections.

The letter was delivered to 200 student households reaching more than 700 students living off campus in residential areas of Portstewart.

The Environmental Health Department will continue to work with partner agencies to help minimise the impact of students living in local communities.

22. DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT 2019

Report, previously circulated.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to advise members of the publication of the Drinking Water Quality Report for 2019 by the Drinking Water Inspectorate on behalf of the Northern Ireland Environment Agency Northern Ireland Environment Agency. No printed copies are being produced but the report may be found at the following link. <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/drinking-water-quality-northern-ireland>

Report Summary

In Northern Ireland over 99% of the population receive their drinking water from Northern Ireland Water Limited (NI Water). The remainder is served by private water supplies. This report provides an independent

assessment of the quality of both public and private water supplies for the calendar year 2019.

Drinking water quality compliance is assessed against the European Directive on Drinking Water Quality which is enacted through national legislation. Overall public drinking water quality for 2019 remained high with 99.90% compliance, the same as 2018.

The report considers regulatory contraventions and drinking water quality events reported to us, including NI Water's management and investigation of these to ensure the continued provision of safe, clean drinking water. Information on consumer contacts made to NI Water is also contained in the report.

Whilst there were no major water quality events in 2019, the total number was the same as 2018. Two of the four Cryptosporidium events were categorised as Serious as oocysts were detected in distribution. Cryptosporidium should not be present in drinking water and when it is found, NI Water must initiate a full investigation and implement enhanced monitoring. Where Cryptosporidium was detected in drinking water, NI Water sought advice from the Public Health Agency, however the detections were not of sufficient concern to put restrictions in place.

The highest percentage of consumer concerns in 2019 again related to appearance of the water, particularly discolouration, which accounted for over 40% of total complaints. Taste and odour was the second highest category, with chlorinous taste accounting for almost 47% of these. It is important for consumers to have confidence in the public water supply and the regulatory standard requires it to be 'acceptable to the consumer' with 'no abnormal change'. NI Water must investigate these complaints in the same way as all other consumer contacts.

No new enforcement notices were issued to NI Water in 2019, however two enforcements remain in place requiring capital works to mitigate risks at water treatment works.

Private water supplies are used for a range of purposes, from domestic dwellings to large commercial and public premises such as food manufacturers and hospitals. These supplies are monitored to ensure public health protection, and overall compliance for 2019 was 99.29%, a slight increase from 99.11% in 2018, and slightly lower than for public water supplies. The number of supplies continues to increase, with 14 new supplies being registered in 2019.

It is recommended that the report be noted.

23. CORRESPONDENCE

Report, previously circulated.

Purpose of Report

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

The following correspondence has been received:

(i) Northern Ireland Assembly - Committee for the Executive Office (dated 25th September 2020)

Re. Committee for the Executive Office: Brexit Stakeholder Event

At its meeting on 16 September 2020, the Committee for the Executive Office agreed to hold a Brexit stakeholder event to provide local councils with an opportunity to brief Committee Members on any issues and concerns they might have as a result of the UK's exit from the European Union.

The Committee agreed to invite two attendees from each Council; one senior official and one political representative. This will allow for appropriate social distancing.

The event will take place on Wednesday 4 November 2020, in Parliament Buildings, Stormont, from 2.00pm to 5.00pm. Your 30-minute time slot will be allocated when the number of councils attending has been confirmed. Further details on the event will also issue at this time.

Copy correspondence was circulated as Appendix 1.

It is recommended that the Environmental Services Committee consider the correspondence.

Proposed by Alderman Robinson
Seconded by Councillor Holmes and

AGREED – to recommend that Council nominate The Mayor, Alderman Fielding and Director of Environmental Services to attend.

24. CONSULTATIONS

(i) Draft Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 and Associated Gas (EU Exit) Amending Regulations

The Department for the Economy has published a consultation paper on proposed legislative measures which would make a number of amendments to the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996; the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003; and the Energy Act 2008 in order to:

(i) Transpose, where necessary, the requirements of EU Directive 2009/73/EC ('the Gas Directive') as amended by EU Directive 2019/692 ('the Gas Directive Amendment') which mainly relate to arrangements for gas pipe-lines which connect with a third country outside the European Union;

(ii) Provide legislative clarity on arrangements for regulating a gas storage facility sited in the territorial seas adjacent to Northern Ireland and organising third party access in compliance with Gas Directive requirements; and

(iii) Following on from the above, make any necessary consequential amendments to NI energy legislation which will be effective from 31 December 2020 to ensure that the legislation continues to operate effectively from the end of the transition period following the UK's exit from the EU.

The proposed legislative measures are mainly designed to ensure that appropriate arrangements are in place for regulating gas transmission pipelines which connect Northern Ireland with a country outside the EU, and for arranging third party access to a gas storage facility sited in the territorial seas adjacent to Northern Ireland. No such infrastructure currently exists in NI, or is planned, so these legislative changes are anticipated to have no immediate practical impacts other than ensuring compliance with an EU Directive.

Further information on the reasons for, and effects of, the proposed legislative measures are outlined in the consultation paper, draft regulatory impact assessment, draft equality screening form and draft rural needs impact assessment which are available at the following link:

<https://www.economy-ni.gov.uk/consultations/legislative-measures-transpose-gas-directive-200973ec-amended-by-directive-2019692>

Stakeholders are invited to send comments on any of these documents by e-mail to gasbranch@economy-ni.gov.uk or, alternatively, by post to the address.

25. CONFERENCES

There were no conferences.

26. MATTERS FOR REPORTING TO PARTNERSHIP PANEL

There were no matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel.

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'

Proposed by Alderman Boyle

Seconded by Councillor Schenning and

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

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

* **Press left the meeting at 8.16PM.**

* **J Morton left the meeting at 8.16PM.**

27. GARVAGH WAR MEMORIAL

Confidential report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Estates.

Purpose of Report

To update Council on the requirement to carry out maintenance work on Garvagh War Memorial (picture circulated) and seek approval to award contract.

Concerns over the condition of Garvagh War Memorial led to a full structural survey being carried out to assess what repairs were required to ensure that it remained safe and to prevent any further deterioration. The survey detailed a number of significant issues and on the strength of this report an application was made to the War Memorials Trust for funding.

Following their guidance an architectural consultant was appointed to draw up a schedule of work which was subsequently tendered. Three compliant tenders were received with the lowest being £105,830.50.

The War Memorial Trust confirmed that they would fund 25% of the work up to a maximum of £20,000. Including professional fees the total cost will be £113,830.50 which will reduce to £93,830.50 with funding. The cost can be capitalised through the 'Essential Estates Life Cycle' code.

Detail of 3 Options were presented within the report.

Options

1. Do nothing.
2. Reduced scope of work.
3. Undertake the complete scope of work identified in the architectural specification.

Recommendation

Committee are asked to recommend to Council their preferred option.

* **Democratic and Central Services Manager joined the meeting at 8.49PM.**

Alderman Robinson stated health and safety and potential risk, that Council had no choice.

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Councillor Wilson

- To recommend that Council approve Option 3.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor McLaughlin

Seconded by Councillor Bateson

- To recommend that Council approve Option 1.

The Chair put the Amendment to the Committee to vote.

3 Members voted For; 9 Members voted Against; 2 Members Abstained.

The Chair declared the Amendment lost.

The Chair put the substantive motion to the Committee to vote.

9 Members voted For; 3 Members voted Against; 2 Members Abstained.

The Chair declared the motion carried.

28. WESTBAY PROMENADE, PORTRUSH - RESIN BOUND SURFACE REINSTATEMENT

Confidential report, previously circulated, presented by the Director of Environmental Services.

On August 21st 2020, a large void was identified below the promenade of Westbay, Portrush, which posed a serious Health & Safety risk to members of the public, including potential land subsidence to adjoining Council & Private property.

Following inspection of the affected area by the Capital Works Team, it was evident that the sea defence structure supporting the promenade had been compromised and urgent intervention works was required.

The following emergency intervention works were undertaken;-

- Closing and making safe diversion arrangements in respect of a portion of said promenade.
- Excavation of promenade to underside of sea revetment structure.
- In-fill large voids with poured concrete to mitigate against future undermining of the promenade in this area.
- Backfill area and application of bitmac surfacing to allow the promenade to re-open (promenade open as of Monday 28th September 2020).

Proposal

Following completion of the emergency intervention works, Capital Works Dept. carried out a mini-tender competition to reinstate the affected area with resin bound surface (colour:- Buff), to match the existing promenade finish - see below photos of typical surface aesthetics for ease of reference.

An Executive summary of prices received in respect of the mini-tender competition is as detailed within Appendix A of the report (circulated).

It is recommended that the Environmental Services Committee consider the contents of this report and appoint Active Maintenance Solutions Limited in the sum of £22,895.00, (excl. vat) for the installation of new resin bound surfacing reinstatement.

Proposed by Alderman Fielding
Seconded by Councillor Wilson and

AGREED – to recommend that Council note the contents of this report and appoint Active Maintenance Solutions Limited in the sum of £22,895.00, (excl. vat) for the installation of new resin bound surfacing reinstatement.

The Director of Environmental Services advised Committee a further report would be brought on the issue in the next number of months.

* **Alderman Boyle left the meeting at 9.10PM.**

29. PERIOD 4 ES MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS

Confidential report, previously circulated.

The purpose of this report to provide Members with information on the current financial position of Environmental Services Directorate at the end of Period 4.

The background and current position was set out within the confidential report.

The Director of Environmental Services responded to comments on Councils position and further advised he would bring a report on car park returns.

30. PERIOD 5 ES MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS

Confidential report, previously circulated.

The purpose of this report to provide Members with information on the current financial position of Environmental Services Directorate at the end of Period 5.

Further detail was set out within the confidential report.

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN PUBLIC'

Proposed by Councillor McLean

Seconded by Councillor Wallace and

AGREED – to recommend that Committee move '*In Public*'.

There being no further business the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting concluded at 9.21PM

Chair