

**Council Meeting Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2016**

**Decisions**

<b>No</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Decision</b>
3.	Declarations of Members' Interests	<i>Councillor McLean – Item 7 Minutes of the L&amp;D Committee Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016 – Edward Street Social Centre, Ballymoney</i>
4.	Minutes of Council Meeting held 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2016	<i>Confirmed</i>
5.	Minutes of Special Council Meeting held 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2016	<i>Confirmed</i>
7.	Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2016	<i>Confirmed</i>
8.	Minutes of Environmental Services Committee Meeting held 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 8.1 Upgrade to Off-Street Car Carks 8.2 Affordable Warmth 8.3 Dog Fouling 8.4 Adoption of the Minutes	<i>Report to be brought to April ES Meeting Council to write to Dept. for Social Development Information on Dog Fouling Campaign to be brought back Adopted including amendments at Item 8.2</i>
9.	Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee Meeting held 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2016 9.1 The Dark Hedges	<i>Consultation to take place with the villages, farmers and Communities directly affected by the planned closure of Bregagh Road and those communities directly affected (Clintyfinnan/Stranocum) should be named in the Consultation process</i>

	<b>9.2</b> Adoption of the Minutes	<i>Council to write to transport NI outlining their concerns relating to this.</i>  <i>Adopted subject to the addition at 9.1 above</i>
<b>10.</b>	Minutes of Audit Committee Meeting held 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2016 <b>10.1</b> Update Regarding Legal Activity  <b>10.2</b> Adoption of the Minutes	<i>Members to be in receipt of additional information when discussing live reports</i> <i>Adopted subject to the addition at 10.1 above</i>
<b>11.</b>	Minutes of Corporate Policy & Resources Committee Meeting held 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2016 <b>11.1</b> Provision of ICT to Elected Members  <b>11.2</b> Adoption of the Minutes	<i>Council to move swiftly forward in expanding Wi-Fi network to all Meeting Rooms within the Council Building</i> <i>Adopted including subject to the addition at 11.1 above</i>
<b>12.</b>	Matters for Reporting to Partnership Panel	<i>None</i>
<b>13.</b>	Correspondence <b>13.1</b> Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland, 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2016 <b>13.2</b> Post Office, 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2016 – Armoy <b>13.3</b> Post Office, 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 – Cloughmillis <b>13.4</b> Post Office, 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 – Garvagh <b>13.5</b> Northern Health & Social Care Trust, 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2016 <b>13.6</b> Queen’s University Belfast, 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2016 <b>13.7</b> National Association of Councillors, 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2016 <b>13.8</b> Consultation on the Review of the Code of Procedures on Recruitment and Selection	<i>Noted</i>
<b>14.</b>	Consultation Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fermanagh &amp; Omagh District Council - Draft Corporate Improvement Plan 2016/17</li> <li>• Department of Agriculture &amp; Rural Development – Launch of Three DARD Consultations</li> </ul>	<i>Noted</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority – RQIA Revised Inspection Policy for Regulated Services</li> <li>Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency - Output Geography for the Updated Multiple Deprivation Measure (NIMDM 2017)</li> <li>Equality Commission - Proposals to Amend the Equality Commission’s Advice to Public Authorities on Consultation Timescales</li> <li>Fermanagh &amp; Omagh District Council – Current Consultations and EQIA’s</li> <li>Department of Health, Social Services &amp; Public Safety – Draft Diabetes Strategic Framework and Implementation Plan</li> <li>Department of Culture, Arts &amp; Leisure – Sign Language Framework with Proposals for Legislation</li> <li>Renewable Electricity Branch Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment</li> </ul>	
<b>15.</b>	<p>Seal Documents</p> <p><b>15.1</b> Grant of Easement from Causeway Coast &amp; Glens Borough council to C&amp;V Development Limited regarding Ballyreagh Road, Portrush</p> <p><b>15.2</b> NIE Wayleave Agreement, Loughanhill Depot</p> <p><b>15.3</b> Release of Covenant, 58 Ballyreagh Road</p> <p><b>15.4</b> Rectification of Boundaries, Dunluce Road, Portrush</p> <p><b>15.5</b> Renewal of 5 year lease, RNLI Banmouth, Castlerock</p> <p><b>15.6</b> Employee Car Loa</p> <p><b>15.7</b> Grave Registry Certificates Ballymoney and Rasharkin Cemeteries (Nos 1483-1485)</p> <p><b>15.8</b> Grave Registry Certificates Coleraine, Ballywillan, Agherton and Portstewart Cemeteries (Nos 4343 – 4358)</p>	<i>Affix seal (Item 15.1-15.8 incl)</i>
<b>16.</b>	Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor McCorkell	<i>Deferred to April Corporate Policy &amp; Resources Committee Meeting</i>
<b>17.</b>	Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Duddy	<i>Deferred to April Leisure and Development Committee Meeting</i>
<b>18.</b>	Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Wilson	<i>Deferred to April Leisure and Development Committee Meeting</i>

19.	Annual Insurance Renewal	<p><i>Council to renew Insurance Cover as detailed in Table 1, as previously circulated, and consider entering into a Long Term Agreement for Combined Liability, Officials Indemnity Policy and Commercial combined Liability, to achieve the discount available and rating stability.</i></p>
20.	The Queen's 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations	<p><i>Convene a Special Council Meeting to discuss proposed events and budget.</i></p>

## Council Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 at 7.00pm

**In the Chair:** The Mayor, Councillor Knight-McQuillan

**Present:** Aldermen Campbell, Cole, Finlay, Hickey, Hillis, King, McKeown, McKillop S, Robinson  
Councillors Baird, Beattie, Blair, Callan, Chivers, Clarke, Douglas, Duddy, Fielding, Fitzpatrick, Harding, Holmes, Hunter, Loftus, McCandless, McCaul, McCorkell, McGuigan, McLean, C McShane, Mulholland, Nicholl, Stevenson, Watton and Wilson

**In attendance:** M Quinn, Director of Performance  
A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services  
R Baker, Director of Leisure & Development  
J Gray, Strategic Programme and Projects Manager  
D Bader, Committee and Member Services Officer

**Also in attendance:** D J Hunter, Council Solicitor  
E Johnston, Head of Democratic and Customer Services  
W McCullough, Head of Leisure, Well-being and Sport

Dr K Bishop, Head of Programmes and Investment NILGA, } Item 6  
Ms M Kerr, Partnership Development & Policy Officer }

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### 1. The Mayor's Business

#### 1.1 Condolences

The Mayor extended her deepest sympathy to the family of the 5 members of the Londonderry family who tragically lost their lives when their car entered the water at Buncrana on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016. A letter of condolence has been sent to the family.

The Mayor also paid respects to the murdered Prison Officer who had just been laid to rest and also to the many people believed to have died, and dozens injured, in the Brussels bombings on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2016.

As a mark of respect a minutes silence was observed.

## 1.2 Coleraine Enterprise Zone

The Mayor made reference to the Chancellors announcement on the boundaries of the Enterprise Zone to be developed in Coleraine. She added that this was the first Enterprise Zone to be developed in Northern Ireland and hoped that it would attract investment and jobs to the region.

## 1.3 Air Ambulance – Northern Ireland

The Mayor confirmed that the Air Ambulance for Northern Ireland was to be dedicated to the memory of the late Dr John Hinds.

## 2. Apologies

Apologies were recorded from Alderman Mullan, Councillors McGlinchey, MA McKillop and Quigley.

## 3. Declarations of Members' Interests

Councillor McLean declared an interest in Item 7 of the Minutes of the Leisure & Development Committee Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016, in relation to Edward Street Social Centre in Ballymoney.

## 4. Minutes of Council Meetings held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016

It was proposed by Alderman Cole seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick and **AGREED: that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 be confirmed as a correct record.**

## 5. Minutes of Special Council Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016

It was proposed by Councillor Fitzpatrick seconded by Alderman King and **AGREED: that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 be confirmed as a correct record.**

## 6. Presentation – Northern Ireland Strategic Migration Partnership

The Chair welcomed Dr Ken Bishop, Head of Programmes and Investment NILGA and Ms Mary Kerr, Partnership Development & Policy Officer to the meeting. Members received a presentation on the Northern Ireland Strategic Migration Partnership (NISMP).

\* Alderman McKeown joined the meeting at 7.15 pm.

**\* Councillor Duddy and Councillor McCorkell joined the meeting at 7.27pm.**

The Northern Ireland Strategic Migration Partnership provides a regional advisory, development and consultative function in relation to migration. They work across the levels of Government in Northern Ireland with the public, private and third sector stakeholders and with the participation of the 5 main political parties.

The representatives informed Members of their key objectives, key achievements to date, Causeway Coast and Glens Profile – what implications for the economy, Community Planning and Community cohesion, how NISMP can further support Council and the next steps for NISMP. This was followed by questions from Members.

## **7. Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

It was **AGREED: that the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016 be confirmed as a correct record.**

## **8. Minutes of Environmental Services Committee Meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016**

Councillor Fielding presented the minutes and proposed their adoption.

**\* Councillor Harding joined the meeting at 7.30pm.**

**\* Councillor Robinson joined the meeting at 7:32pm**

### **Matters Arising**

#### **8.1 Upgrade to Off-Street Car Parks (Transferred by Transport NI) (Item 6)**

With reference to the upgrade to Off-Street Car Parks Members requested further information on Council costs associated with the enforcement of parking regulations.

The Director of Environmental Services stated that a report in relation to these costs would be brought back to the Environmental Services Committee Meeting in April.

#### **8.2 Affordable Warmth Scheme (Item 7)**

Members reiterated their concern on the low percentage of households assisted by the scheme in relation to the total number that had been referred. Members also expressed their concern that the DLA benefit had been taken into account when awarding funding which had reduced the number of households deemed eligible.

The Director of Environmental Services informed Members that information be brought back to Council in relation to how funding is allocated by the Affordable Warmth Scheme.

The Director of Environmental Services also reported that Council would write to the Department for Social Development regarding its view that DLA should not be taken into account as a benefit when considering allocation of funding.

### **8.3 Dog Fouling (item 9)**

Alderman Finlay expressed his concern over the increasing dog fouling problem within the Borough. The Director of Environmental Services confirmed that a Dog Fouling campaign was due to commence in the coming weeks and that information on this would be brought back to Council.

### **8.4 Adoption of Minutes**

It was proposed by Councillor Fielding, seconded by Councillor Baird and **AGREED: that the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016 be adopted and the recommendations therein approved, subject to the addition at 8.2 above.**

## **9. Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

Councillor McLean presented the minutes and proposed their adoption.

### **Matters Arising**

#### **9.1 The Dark Hedges (Item 11)**

Councillor Baird expressed her concern over the wording in the report which referred to consulting with the wider community.

The Director of Leisure and Development clarified that the consultation was in 2 phases, informally in the first instance to ascertain whether the extinction of the road is viable and recorded, then a formal consultation would take place.

It was **AGREED: that consultation would take place with the villages, farmers and Communities directly affected by the planned closure of Bregagh Road and those communities directly affected (Clintyfinnan/Stranocum) be named in the Consultation process. Council to write to transport NI outlining their concerns relating to this.**



## **9.2 Community Development Grants (Item 5) and Community Festival Grants (Item 6)**

In relation to a Members' query the Director of Leisure and Development confirmed that Council would correspond with all applicants who were not successful in achieving a grant and outline the Appeals process.

## **9.3 Ballymoney Community Facilities - Edward Street Social Centre, (Item 7)**

Further discussion took place on 12 Edward Street Ballymoney, which included ownership of the building, adverse possession and a Condition Report which was relevant to safety of the building.

The Council Solicitor re-confirmed Council's legal position on this item and confirmed that Council had written to Northern Ireland Council of Social Care and informed them of the current position.

It was proposed by Councillor Stevenson that Council corresponds with NI Council of Social Care to establish their role before looking at adverse possession, and Council meet with the Evergreen Club but do not carry out a Condition Survey.

The Director of Leisure and Development Services re-iterated to Members that Council were liable for the current condition of the building.

Councillor Stevenson withdrew his proposal in relation to the Condition Survey but still requested that Council meet with the Evergreen Club.

Alderman S McKillop proposed that Council convenes a meeting with all stakeholders concerned to address the issues.

The Director of Leisure and Development re-iterated that Council needed to clarify ownership and condition of the building before they could convene any meetings with stakeholders. Alderman S McKillop withdrew her proposal.

## **9.4 Waterworld, Portrush (Item 13)**

Councillor Hickey stated that Council needed to be more innovative than the revamping of Waterworld. Should Waterworld close then it would leave Portrush without a wet weather facility which would affect tourism and the community. She proposed that Council should look at providing a wet weather facility and information should be brought back to the next Leisure and Development Committee Meeting on this.

Councillor Duddy raised a Point of Order that this Item should be discussed 'In Committee', as it had previously been, and referred to Standing Order 10.7. He also stated that Alderman Hickey's proposal was not an amendment to the proposal but was a separate item and therefore should be included on the Agenda for the next Leisure and Development Committee Meeting.

After discussion with the Council Solicitor and the Director of Leisure and Development who stated that this item had previously been held 'In Committee' as it contained commercially sensitive information, the Mayor confirmed that any further discussion on Waterworld would be held 'In Committee'.

#### **9.5 Adoption of the Minutes**

It was proposed by Councillor McLean, seconded by Alderman Finlay and **AGREED: that the Minutes of the Leisure and Development Committee Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016 be adopted and the recommendations therein approved, subject to the addition at 9.1 above.**

### **10. Minutes of Audit Committee Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

#### **Matters Arising**

#### **10.1 Update Regarding Legal Activity (Item 10.3)**

Alderman Robinson requested that his proposal made in the Audit and Committee Meeting and agreed; that Members are in receipt of additional information when discussing Live Legal Reports in the future, be noted as an addition to the Audit Committee Minutes.

#### **10.2 Appointment of an Independent Member (Item 8)**

Alderman Campbell requested that Council record his objections to the appointment of an Independent Member to the Audit Committee.

The Deputy Chief Executive confirmed that the Independent Advisor would be a voice and would have no voting rights.

#### **10.3 Adoption of the Minutes**

It was proposed by Alderman Finlay, seconded by Alderman Robinson and **AGREED: that the Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016 be adopted and the recommendations therein approved, subject to the addition at 10.1 above.**

### **11. Minutes of Corporate Policy & Resources Committee Meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

Alderman Hillis presented the Minutes and proposed their adoption.

## **Matters Arising**

### **11.1 Provision of ICT to Elected Members (Item 6)**

Councillor Fitzpatrick requested that the schedule which was supplied to the Committee in relation to the provision of ICT within the other 11 Councils, be circulated to all Elected Members.

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke, seconded by Alderman Finlay and **AGREED: that Council moves swiftly forward in expanding Wi-Fi network to all Meeting Rooms within the Council building.**

### **11.2 Twinning (Item 9)**

Councillor Harding reported that at an Awards Dinner recently held in London it had transpired that Sligo County Council was keen to create a relationship with Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and that Council should look at a relationship with Councils that have a like aspiration.

### **11.3 Adoption of the Minutes**

Alderman Hillis proposed, seconded by Councillor Duddy and **AGREED: that the Minutes of the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016 be adopted and the recommendations therein approved, subject to the addition at 11.1 above.**

## **12. Matters for Reporting to Partnership Panel**

There were no matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel.

## **13. Correspondence**

The Director of Performance presented the following items of correspondence, circulated, noted:

### **13.1 Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016**

2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies

The Office of National Statistics will publish the UK register of parliamentary electors as of 1 December 2015. Following publication, the four UK Boundary Commissions will agree the total UK electorate for the Review, the number of constituencies allocated to each part of the UK and the electoral quota (average electorate) for each constituency.

The Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland (BCNI) will publically announce, as soon as possible thereafter, the commencement of the 2018 Review of Parliamentary constituency boundaries in Northern Ireland in accordance with the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986, as amended by the Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011.

### **13.2 Post Office, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 – Armoy**

The new-look Post Office is scheduled to open at the current location on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016 at 13:00 - it will need to close for refurbishment on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 17:30.

### **13.3 Post Office, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016 – Cloughmills**

The Post Office would like to hear your views about proposed changes before they finalise their plans for the Post Office at Cloughmills.  
Closing date for comments is 15 April 2016.

### **13.4 Post Office, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016 – Garvagh**

The new-look Post Office is scheduled to open at the current location on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2016 13:00 – it will need to close for refurbishment on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 13:00.

### **13.5 Northern Health & Social Care Trust, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

The Northern Health and Social Care Trust has introduced the March '16 edition of Northern Newsletter – a service user and carer e-brief.

### **13.6 Queen's University Belfast, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

Vice-Chancellor's Report 2014-15

### **13.7 National Association of Councillors, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016**

Health & Social Care – The crisis in funding  
The Royal Hotel, Scarborough  
8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> April 2016  
Delegate fees: £350 +VAT

### **13.8 Consultation on the Review of the Code of Procedures on Recruitment and Selection**

In June 2014, based on a recommendation from the Minister of the Environment, the NI Executive formally agreed that the Local Government Staff Commission would be wound up in March 2017.

As a consequence of this decision the existing Code of Procedures on Recruitment and Selection, which is based on the involvement of the Commission throughout the recruitment process, will no longer be applicable. The Commission are therefore of the view that it would be useful to put in place a Code which they could recommend to councils prior to their dissolution, and which could be owned and managed by councils w.e.f. 01 April 2017.

On this basis the Commission now wishes to consult with councils, the NIHE and other key stakeholders on the structure and provisions of a revised Code.

Closing date for responses is Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

Information seminars on the draft Code

1.30pm–3.30pm	14 April 2016	Lagan Valley Island, Lisburn
10.00am–12.00 noon	21 April 2016	Ranfurly House Arts & Visitor Centre, Dungannon
2.00pm–4.00pm	26 April 2016	Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre, Limavady

Members noted the correspondence.

#### **14. Consultation Schedule**

The Director of Performance invited comments on the following Consultations, circulated, noted.

- Fermanagh & Omagh District Council - Draft Corporate Improvement Plan 2016/17
- Department of Agriculture & Rural Development – Launch of Three DARD Consultations
- Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority – RQIA Revised Inspection Policy for Regulated Services
- Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency - Output Geography for the Updated Multiple Deprivation Measure (NIMDM 2017)
- Equality Commission - Proposals to Amend the Equality Commission's Advice to Public Authorities on Consultation Timescales
- Fermanagh & Omagh District Council – Current Consultations and EQIA's
- Department of Health, Social Services & Public Safety – Draft Diabetes Strategic Framework and Implementation Plan
- Department of Culture, Arts & Leisure – Sign Language Framework with Proposals for Legislation
- Renewable Electricity Branch Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment – Consultation Response on Proposed Early Closure of Northern Ireland Renewables Obligation (NIRO) to Onshore Wind in 2016.

Members noted the Consultations

## 15. Seal Documents

It was proposed by Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Councillor McLean and **AGREED: that the Seal of the Council be affixed to:**

- 15.1 Grant of Easement from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to C&V Development Limited regarding Ballyreagh Road, Portrush
- 15.2 NIE Wayleave Agreement, Loughanhill Depot
- 15.3 Release of Covenant, 58 Ballyreagh Road
- 15.4 Rectification of Boundaries, Dunluce Road, Portrush
- 15.5 Renewal of 5 Year Lease, RNLi Banmouth, Castlerock
- 15.6 Employee Car Loan – Employee Number 113/3029
- 15.7 Grave Registry Certificates Ballymoney and Rasharkin Cemeteries (Nos 1483-1485)
- 15.8 Grave Registry Certificates Coleraine, Ballywillan, Agherton and Portstewart Cemeteries (Nos 4343 – 4358)

## 16. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor McCorkell

The following Notice of Motion was received from Councillor McCorkell, of which due notice was given:

*“Altnagelvin Radiotherapy Unit*

*That this Council welcomes the progress made on the Radiotherapy Unit at Altnagelvin and is furthermore encouraged that the Minister for Health has announced that the Unit is on schedule to be opened in late autumn this year. Members are in agreement that the new Unit will undoubtedly help to improve and save the lives of many people throughout the new Causeway Coast and Glens Borough”.*

It was proposed by Councillor McCorkell, seconded by Councillor Duddy and **AGREED: that the Notice of Motion would be referred to April Corporate Policy and Resources Committee Meeting.**

## 17. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Duddy

The following Notice of Motion was received from Councillor Duddy, of which due notice was given:

*“That this Council, in partnership, with the business community, within Coleraine Town Centre, develop a plan to initiate a Business Improvement District, as a matter of priority”.*

It was proposed by Councillor Duddy, seconded by Councillor Clarke and **AGREED: that the Notice of Motion would be referred to the April Leisure and Development Committee Meeting.**

#### **18. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Wilson**

The following Notice of Motion was received from Councillor Wilson, of which due notice was given:

*“That Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council develop and implement a programme of works to ensure that facilities/apparatus for Children with disabilities is installed in play parks across the entire Borough with a view to ensuring that all children have the opportunity to share and enjoy local park facilities together”*

It was proposed by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor McCandless and **AGREED: that the Notice of Motion would be referred to the April Leisure and Development Committee Meeting.**

It was proposed by Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Wilson and **AGREED: that the Meeting continue ‘In Committee’.**

#### **19. Annual Insurance Renewal**

The Director of Performance presented the report previously circulated and summarised as undernoted:

***As reported to CPR during Shadow Council (15.01.15) Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council participated in a Collaborative procurement exercise for Insurance and brokerage services. As a result Willis were appointed for a 2 year duration, commencing April 2015. This process was subject to OJEU (Official Journal of the European Union) procedures based on the value of the service being procured. OJEU is the publication in which all tenders from the public sector that are valued above a certain financial threshold according to EU legislation, must be published.***

***The increase in total premium is mainly due to the increase in the Combined Liability Insurance.***

***The reason for the increase is as a result of carry forward claims from Legacy Councils, and also due to claims settled during the year.***

***Long Term Agreement Options are available in respect of both Combined Liability and Officials Indemnity Policies – by selecting this option a 6.5% discount can be achieved along with rating stability. A new long term agreement is also available in respect of the Commercial Combined Liability – selection of the agreement will generate a 5% premium discount.***

***The Combined Liability Insurer has also offered alternative terms on the basis of a £10k deductible in respect of the combined liability policy.***

**It was recommended:** that Council renew Insurance Cover as detailed in Table 1 (previously circulated), and consider entering into a Long Term Agreement for Combined Liability, Officials Indemnity Policy and Commercial Combined Liability, to achieve the discount available and rating stability.

The Director of Performance confirmed that she would bring back further information on the type and size of the claims.

Councillor Duddy proposed, seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick and **AGREED: that Council renew Insurance Cover as detailed in Table 1, as previously circulated, and consider entering into a Long Term Agreement for Combined Liability, Officials Indemnity Policy and Commercial combined Liability, to achieve the discount available and rating stability.**

## **20. The Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations**

The Head of Democratic and Customer Services provided a verbal update on the events discussed at the Working Group held earlier in the day in relation to the Queen's Birthday Celebrations.

Discussion took place on the possible events outlined and the proposed budget provision. Other points discussed included the provision of Grant Funding Policy, advertising of the events and time constraints taking into consideration that the Queen's birthday takes place on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016 and her official Birthday would be celebrated on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

It was proposed by Councillor Baird, seconded by Alderman S McKillop: that a budget of £25,000 be allocated to the Queen's 90th birthday celebrations.

Members were unhappy that this item had not been brought to Council earlier and requested that the proposed events be itemised and budget costs allocated to each item and this information brought back to the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee as previously agreed in the meeting when the Corporate Policy and Resources minutes had been adopted.

Councillor Harding proposed an amendment, seconded by Councillor Watton: that the proposed budget of £25,000 be split between events and community grants funding.



Members sought clarification from the Council Solicitor. The Council Solicitor confirmed that any decision could be Called In.

Councillor Harding withdrew his amendment with the agreement of the seconder Councillor Watton.

In relation to community grants, the Director of Leisure and Development confirmed that members were not required to make a decision at the Meeting and that the Head of Democratic & Customer Services could bring the information presented to the next Corporate Policy & Resources Committee Meeting for a decision to be made if Members so wished.

The Mayor called a recess at 10:03 and the meeting reconvened at 10:20.

Councillor Baird subsequently withdrew her proposal, with the agreement of her seconder, Alderman McKillop.

Following discussion during which Councillor Callan stated that under Standing Order 3.1 the Mayor could call a Special Council Meeting to consider the issues, the Mayor confirmed and it was AGREED: **that a Special Council Meeting would be to be convened to discuss the proposed events and budget to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.**

It was proposed by Councillor McCorkell, seconded by Councillor Wilson and AGREED: **that the Council resolve itself 'Out of Committee'.**

**This being all the business the meeting closed at 10:25pm.**