

LOUGH FOYLE FERRY SERVICE - UPDATE	6th December 2016
TO: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE	
FOR INFORMATION	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Protecting and Enhancing our Environments and Assets
Outcome	All environments in the area will benefit from pro-active decision making which protects the natural features, characteristics and integrity of the Borough
Lead Officer	Head of Infrastructure
Cost: (If applicable)	N/A

Background

Members approved the appointment of Rooskey Frazer & Co Ltd to deliver the Foyle ferry service contract in May 2016. The contract was for an initial 3 year period (1st June 2016 to 31st May 2019), with the option to extend the contract for a further two periods of 2 years each – thus 7 years in total.

Notice of Service Withdrawal

Unfortunately, the operator Rooskey Frazer & Co Ltd have given notice not to continue with this contract and will no longer be providing the ferry service hence forth.

A new expression of interest will be sought (in conjunction with Donegal County Council) via public tender during December 2016. This tender will be evaluated in January, with the results being brought back to the Environmental Committee in early 2017.