

**NEWRY MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of Strategy Policy & Resources Committee Meeting held on Thursday 11  
February 2016 at 5.00pm in the Mourne Room, Downshire Civic Centre,  
Downpatrick.**

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In the Chair : Councillor R Burgess

In Attendance: Councillor T Andrews Councillor P Brown  
Councillor S Burns Councillor M Carr  
Councillor W Clarke Councillor G Craig  
Councillor D Curran Councillor L Kimmins  
Councillor B Quinn Councillor M Ruane  
Councillor H Reilly Councillor B Walker

Also in Attendance: Councillor H Harvey

Officials in Attendance: Mr L Hannaway, Chief Executive  
Mr C O'Rourke, Director, Regulatory and Technical  
Services  
Ms H McKee, Assistant Director, Community Planning  
Ms R Mackin, Assistant Director, Corporate Planning  
and Policy  
Ms C McKenna, Administration (Land & Property  
Section)  
Mr E McManus, Capital Projects  
Mr P Green, Legal Advisor  
Ms S Burns, Programme Manager  
Mrs E McParland, Democratic Services Manager  
Mrs C Taylor, Democratic Services Officer

**SPR/19/2016:- APOLOGIES AND CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

Apologies were received from Councillor B Ó'Muirí and Ms C Miskelly, Assistant Director, Human Resources

**SPR/20/2016:- DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

**SPR/21/2016:- ACTION SHEET OF THE STRATEGY, POLICY AND  
RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14 JANUARY  
2016**

Read: Action Sheet of the Strategy, Policy and Resources (SPR) Committee Meeting held on 14 January 2016 (circulated).

**Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Curran, the Action Sheet of the Strategy, Policy and Resources Committee held on 14 January 2016, be approved.**

## **CORPORATE SERVICES – DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

### **SPR/22/2016:- LETTER RE COUNCILLORS ATTENDING NAC UK MEETINGS**

Read: Letter dated 11 January 2016 from the National Association of Councillors, Northern Ireland Region, advising that Councillors attending NAC UK meetings (copy circulated) can be reimbursed by their Council for travel, accommodation, subsistence and other expenses.

**Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Curran, the correspondence from NAC NI regarding Councillors attending NAC UK Meetings be noted.**

### **SPR/23/2016 VOTING METHODS**

Read: Report from Mr L Hannaway, Chief Executive, dated 2 February 2016, regarding the appointment of Members to external organisations (copy circulated).

Noted: Mrs McParland advised of the background to the item, explaining there had been disquiet expressed following Council's appointments to the Board of Carlingford Lough Commissioners.

Noted: Councillor Carr said the voting for the appointments to Carlingford Lough Commissioners (CLC) had been undemocratic and a clear way forward was required on how Council appointed to the boards of outside bodies.

Noted: Councillor Craig concurred with Councillor Carr's remarks, saying the vote had meant the Unionists had missed out on representation on the CLC board. He said it would have been fairer to appoint using the d'Hondt method.

Noted: Councillor Ruane said due to the size of the Council and as was the case in previous years, 3 places should have been requested which

would tie in with the appointments to the Warrenpoint Harbour Authority.

Noted: Councillor Andrews concurred with comments made by Councillors Carr and Ruane.

Councillor Burns proposed Option A from report dated 2 February 2016: *“If there are more than two people nominated for any position to be filled and there is not a clear majority of votes in favour of one person, then the name of the person with the least number of votes will be taken off the list and a new vote taken. The process will continue until there is a majority of votes for one person.”* This proposal was seconded by Councillor Ruane.

Councillor Brown proposed Option B if the word “secret” was taken out and the ballot would be open: Option B: *“If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies, there shall be a ~~secret~~-ballot of the members present at the meeting in which each member of the Council shall vote for as many candidates as there are vacancies to be filled. Vacancies shall thereupon be filled using the single transferable vote system. It should be noted that if this method is to be adopted, it will take time to process the voting during the Council meeting.”* This proposal was seconded by Councillor Carr.

The Chairman called for a vote on Councillor Burns proposal, seconded by Councillor Ruane on **Option A**, the results of which were as follows:

**FOR: 4                      AGAINST: 6**

The proposal to adopt Option A was declared **DEFEATED**.

Noted: In response to a request for clarity from Councillor Clarke, Mrs McParland advised that advice had been sought from the publication Knowles on Local Authority Meetings – A Manual of Law and Practice and information also sought from Belfast City Council and Fife Council, who practiced Option A. Belfast City Council had advised they used the d’Hondt system but had known at the AGM how many Outside Bodies were to be appointed to and all appointments were run at the AGM.

The Chairman called for a vote on Councillor Brown’s proposal, seconded by Councillor Carr on **Option B**, the results of which were as follows:

**FOR: 8**

**AGAINST: 4**

The proposal to adopt Option B was declared **CARRIED**.

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Carr, that Option B: *“If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies, there shall be an open ballot of the members present at the meeting in which each member of the Council shall vote for as many candidates as there are vacancies to be filled. Vacancies shall thereupon be filled using the single transferable vote system. It should be noted that if this method is to be adopted, it will take time to process the voting during the Council meeting”* be approved.

**SPR/24/2016**      **STRATEGY, POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING  
– 16 MARCH 2016**

**NOTED:** Mr Curtis, Director of Strategic Policy and Performance, asked Members to note the date and time of the March 2016 meeting: Tuesday 15 March at 2:00pm.

**NOTED:** It was **NOTED** that the Strategy, Policy and Resources Committee Meeting would take place on Tuesday 15 March 2016 at 2:00pm.

**CORPORATE SERVICES - FINANCE**

**SPR/25/2016**      **REPORT ON PROCUREMENT/TENDER AWARDS TO 31  
DECEMBER 2015**

**Read:** Excel spread sheet from Mr R Dowey, Head of Finance, detailing current tenders anticipated over £30k up to 31 December 2015.

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Burns, that the Spreadsheet detailing current tenders anticipated over £30k up to 31 December 2015, was noted.

**SPR/26/2016**      **SINGLE TENDER ACTION REPORT - 9 MONTHS TO 31  
DECEMBER 2016**

**Read:** Single Tender Action Report from Mr R Dowey, Head of Finance - 1 April 2015 to 31 December 2015.

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burns, that the Single Tender Action Report 9 months to 31 December 2015, was noted.

**SPR/27/2016** **MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS FOR 9 MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**Read:** Management Accounts for 9 months ended 31 December 2015 from Mr R Dowey, Head of Finance.

**NOTED:** The Management Accounts for 9 Months ended 31 December 2015, were noted.

**COMMUNITY PLANNING AND WELL-BEING**

**SPR/28/2016** **HEALTH FORUM – SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**Read:** Report from Ms H McKee, Assistant Director, Community Planning, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the draft Terms of Reference for the proposed Newry, Mourne and Down Health Forum (copy circulated).

**Noted:** Councillor Burns queried whether it would be best to have the same person representing each Party on Task and Finish Health Forum A and Task and Finish Health Forum B, or whether separate Party representatives should be nominated to both Health Forums

Mr Hannaway provided clarity on Councillor Burns' query, saying to ensure consistency and as district wide issues would be discussed, one person could attend both Health Forum A and Health Forum B if preferred.

Councillor Craig said his Party would nominate a Party representative to Health Forum A and a representative to Health Forum B.

Councillor Curran said his Party would also be nominating a Party representative to Health Forum A and another representative to Health Forum B.

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Craig, that Supplemental Terms of Reference for the Health Fora be approved.

**ESTATE**

SPR/29/2016

**LANDS AT HARMONY WAY, BALLYNAHINCH**

**Read:** Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance, dated 11 February 2016, regarding Harmony Way, Ballynahinch (copy circulated).

**It was proposed by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Craig, that approval be given for a minor works contract to carry out a levelling and roadway resurfacing scheme with improvements to drainage and a formal marking of car park spaces and double yellow lines to improve vehicular circulation at a cost estimate of approximately £70,000 - £100,000.**

**Noted:** Councillor Burns said whilst he supported the proposal on health and safety grounds, it could be setting a precedent for the maintenance of old road ways next to Council houses.

In response, Mr Curtis advised there should be a facilities management policy whereby any roadways under the ownership of Council and not up to health and safety standards, should be maintained. He added Council had no option on the roadway at Harmony Way due to health and safety issues.

Councillor Burns asked that the proposal also include a facilities assessment and requesting Council's Partnership Panel representative, Councillor Curran, to address this issue with the Minister at the Partnership Panel. He also requested that Council write to the Minister citing Harmony Way as an example.

In response to Councillor Walker's query, Mr Curtis advised the property was in the ownership of Council and a consultation would be undertaken with local traders and market traders as they would be affected by the works.

Councillors Walker and Craig agreed to include Councillor Burns' additions in their proposal .

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Walker seconded by Councillor Craig, that:**

- **Approval be given to a minor works contract to carry out a levelling and roadway resurfacing scheme with improvements to drainage and a formal marking of car park spaces and double yellow lines to improve**

vehicular circulation at a cost estimate of approximately £70,000 - £100,000.

- A facilities assessment be carried out on any Council owned roadways to ensure they are brought up to health and safety standards.
- Council's representative on the Partnership Panel, Councillor Curran, to address this issue with the Minister at the Partnership Panel.
- Council to write to the Minister citing Harmony Way, Ballynahinch as an example.

SPR/30/2016

**LAND ISSUES**

**Read:** Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance and Mr R Dowey, Head of Finance dated 11 February 2016, regarding Land Issues (copy circulated).

**Kilbroney Cemetery, Rostrevor**

**Noted:** Councillor Ruane requested officers investigate the removal of trees between the old and new graveyard at Kilbroney Cemetery, as there had been complaints of moss.

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor W Clarke, that:

- The Title Rectification proceeds and the legal costs in relation to same be paid by Council.
- Officers investigate removal of trees between the old and new graveyards at Kilbroney Cemetery and a report be brought back to Council.

**Compensation for NI Water Scheme on Council land at Carnbane Playing Fields**

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor W Clarke, that the revised compensation of £3,000 offered for the NI Water Scheme at Carnbane Playing Fields, Newry, be accepted.

**Registered Charge- Lands in Folio 45766 Co Down**

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor W Clarke, that consent be given to the charging of the Kingdom Youth Club's leasehold Folio in favour of DENI.

**SPR/31/2016**      **SAINTFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE – BUSINESS CASE**

**Read:** Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance, dated 11 February 2016, regarding Saintfield Community Centre (copy circulated).

**Saintfield Leisure and Community Facilities – Business Case** (circulated at meeting).

Councillor Burgess proposed that the Saintfield Community Centre proceed with haste as it was a much needed facility. Councillor Walker, in seconding the proposal, paid tribute to the Saintfield Development Association for their perseverance and said the dedicated officer for the project was a good idea.

Councillors Andrews and Craig concurred with Councillor Walker's remarks.

Councillor Burns placed on record that his Party had been behind the Saintfield Community Centre project since its inception.

Councillor W Clarke also paid tribute to the Saintfield Development Association and requested the area be opened up for activities such as car boot sales and farmers markets to showcase the centre as a community asset.

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burgess, seconded by Councillor Walker, that:

- Council commits to develop the Community Centre, Belfast Road, Saintfield.
- The Community Centre would be included in the 2017/18 Rate Budget.
- The commitment to work in association with Saintfield Development Association to have a completed Economic Appraisal in 2016/17.
- The architectural design will be finalised in 2016/17.
- Necessary changes (if any) to Planning Approval in 2016/17 will be completed.



- The Legal Agreement with Saintfield Development Association regarding utilisation of the Community Centre site including use by private/community sector organisations, will be completed.
- The project will commence in early 2017/18 financial year, subject to all approvals being in place.
- An officer to drive the Saintfield Community project from SPR Team would be appointed.
- The idea of the area being opened up for eg. Car boot sales/farmers markets, be investigated.

**SPR/32/2015**

**LAND AT ALTNAVEIGH, NEWRY**

**Read:**

Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance, dated 8 February 2016, regarding Land at Altnaveigh, Newry (copy circulated).

Mr Curtis requested permission to take this item off the agenda, in order that a policy would be developed to cover all elements of leases for sporting clubs, with this being brought back to the March Strategy, Policy and Resources Committee meeting.

Councillor Burns welcomed this proposal, but requested assurance that the policy would address conflict with 2 competing clubs using the same facility.

**Agreed:**

**It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor W Clarke, that the item regarding Land at Altnaveigh, Newry be taken off the agenda in order that a policy be developed to cover all elements of leases for sporting clubs, and that this would be brought back to the March Strategy, Policy and Resources Committee meeting.**

**SPR/33/2015**

**MEN'S SHED, ROSTREVOR**

**Read:**

Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance, dated 11 February 2016, regarding Men's Shed, Rostrevor (copy circulated).

**Agreed:**

**It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Walker, that :**

- A licence be provided to the Rostrevor Men's Shed Committee for the use of Council premises at the Square, Rostrevor.
- The licence would be at a peppercorn rent, subject to DOE, Local Government approval.

## **FOR CONSIDERATION/DECISION**

### **SPR/34/2015      EFFICIENCY WORKING GROUP**

**Read:** Report from Mr J McBride, Change Manager, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Efficiency Working Group (copy circulated).

**Noted:** Members welcomed the initiation of the Efficiency Working Group.

**Noted:** In response to Councillor Craig's query, Mr McBride confirmed benchmarking with other organisations regarding best practice would take place.

**Noted:** Councillor W Clarke said there should be a mechanism whereby the citizens of the District could provide an input on what was important to them.

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor W Clarke, that :**

- **The inaugural meeting of the Efficiency Working Group be held at 3pm on Monday 21 March 2015 in the Commedagh Room, Downpatrick.**
- **The inclusion of financial planning (Rates) within the draft Terms of Reference.**

### **SPR/35/2016      PLANNING TASK FORCE**

**Read:** Report from Mr C O'Rourke, Director of Regulatory and Technical Services and Mr J McBride, Change Manager, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Review of Development Management and Planning Task Force Update (copy circulated).

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor W Clarke, seconded by Councillor Craig, that :**

- **The Report of the Meeting of the Planning Task Force held on 13 January 2016 be approved.**

- **The Project Initiation Document (PID) and Terms of Reference for the review of Development Management (Planning).**

**SPR/36/2015      DRAFT RESPONSE TO DOE CONSULTATION ON DRAFT GUIDANCE FOR LG PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT 2016/17**

**Read:** Report from Mr J McBride, Change Manager, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Consultation Response: Draft Guidance on Local Government Performance Improvement (2016/17)

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, that the issues raised within this report be submitted as the Council's formal response to DOE Consultation: Draft Guidance on Local Government Performance Improvement (2016/17).**

**SPR/37/2016      MINUTES OF NEWRY, MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL/LOUTH CC JOINT MEETING HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2016**

**Read:** Minutes of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council/Louth CC Joint Meeting held on 13 January 2016 (copy circulated).

**Noted:** Mr Curtis advised that the previously mentioned visit to Brussels had been postponed until June due to the election.

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burns, that minutes of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council/Louth CC Joint Meeting held on 13 January 2016, be adopted, subject to the visit to Brussels being postponed until June 2016.**

**SPR/38/2016      INVITATION TO KIROVSK**

**Noted:** Mr Curtis advised Members of the invitation extended to Councillors Burgess and Ruane from the Principal of Kirovsk City Administration School, Kirovsk, in March 2016, which was part of the twinning/sister city programme of activity.

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Carr, that invitation for Councillors Burgess and Ruane to visit Kirovsk in March 2016, be accepted.**

## **EQUALITY AND POLICY**

**SPR/39/2016      REPORT ON SECTION 75 POLICY SCREENING REPORT – QUARTERLY REPORT FOR PERIOD OCTOBER 2015 – DECEMBER 2015**

**Read:** Report from Mr C Moffett, Equality Officer, dated 11 February 2016, regarding Section 75 Policy Screening Report – Quarterly Report for period October – December 2015.

**Noted:** **The Section 75 Policy Screening Report – Quarterly Report for period October – December 2015, was noted.**

**SPR/40/2016      DECADE OF CENTENARIES PROGRAMME – 2016**

**Read:** Report from Mr L Hannaway, Chief Executive, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Decade of Centenaries Programme 2016.

**Noted:** **In response to a query from Councillor Ruane, the Programmes Manager, Ms S Burns, undertook to bring a date forward for the Sub-Committee.**

**Noted:** **The report outlining a current overview of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council proposed activities during 2016 in relation to the Decade of Centenaries 2016 (Easter Rising and Somme), as further discussed at the Councillor’s Equality and Good Relations Reference Group meeting on 26 January 2016.**

**SPR/41/2016      HOUSING EXECUTIVE WRITTEN CONSULTATION RESPONSES TO THEIR COMMUNITY COHESION STRATEGY 2015-2020**

**Read:** Report from Mr C Moffett, Equality Officer, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Publication of written consultation responses to the Housing Executive Community Cohesion Strategy 2015-2020.

**Noted:** **The correspondence and associated comments contained within the Housing Executive’s publication of written consultation to their Community Cohesion Strategy 2015-2020, was noted.**

**SPR/42/2016      ANNUAL REVIEW OF CORPORATE PLAN 2015-2019. CONSULTATION/ENGAGEMENT PROCESS**

**Read:** Report from Ms R Mackin, Assistant Director of Corporate Planning and Policy, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Annual Review of Corporate Plan 2015-2019 - Consultation/Engagement Process.

**Noted:** Councillor Quinn said it was important to ensure the rural communities were involved in the consultation process, as they were the most in need.

**Agreed:** **The revised recommended timetable for the consultation on the reviews of Year 1 of the Corporate Plan, was agreed.**

**SPR/43/2016**      **PEACE IV PROGRAMME**

**Read:** Report from Ms S Burns, Programmes Manager, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the PEACE IV Programme.

**Noted:** In response to a question from Councillor Craig, the Programmes Manager provided Members with an explanation of what the Skills Development focus area entailed.

**Noted:** Councillor W Clarke said it was important to manage the expectations of the community and there should be clear communication that funding would not be available for some types of projects.

**Noted:** Councillor Quinn, whilst supporting the idea, said now the District and the DEAs were so large, it was important that the entire area was being represented in the consultations.

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Craig, that the progress of the PEACE IV Programme, be noted.**

**SPR/44/2016**      **SISTER CITIES/TWINNING**

**Read:** Report from Mr E Curtis, Strategic Director of Policy and Performance, dated 11 February 2016, regarding Sister Cities/Twinning.

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Carr, that:**

- **A Sister Cities/Twinning structure would be set up to oversee the development and implementation of a long-term strategy which will be reflective of the organisations involved.**

- **Approval for participation at the Sister Cities Summit from 21-24 April 2016, be agreed.**

**SPR/45/2016**

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

**Read:** Report from Ms S Burns, Programmes Manager, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the PEACE IV Programme.

**Noted:** Ms Burns provide an update on the Financial Assistance Programme and advised that this Financial Assistance was for projects that sat outside of the tourism list of events. She said the call for applications would open on 22 February and close on 11 March 2016.

**Noted:** Councillor Carr expressed concerns over the timing of the call, saying the call should go out earlier so that event organisers would know whether they had secured funding for Easter-time events. In response to his question regarding the amount of funding available to community organisations, Councillor Carr expressed concerns, saying some annual festivals would be jeopardised.

**Agreed:** **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Walker, that the update report on Financial Assistance be noted.**

**ITEMS RESTRICTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 6 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NI) 2015**

**SPR/46/2016**

**OFF-STREET PARKING – UPDATE ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH TRANSPORT NI AGENCY AGREEMENT EXTENSION**

**Agreed:** **On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on this matter which related to exempt information by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 - Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information).**

**Read:** **Report from Mr J McBride, Change Manager, dated 11 February 2016, regarding Off-Street Parking – Update on negotiations with Transport NI concerning Agency Agreement Extension.**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session.

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson reported that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Ruane, that the recommendations within the report be accepted relating to the Off-Street Parking – Update on negotiations with Transport NI concerning Agency Agreement Extension.

**SPR/47/2016** **PROPOSAL FOR PUBLIC CAR PARK IN KILKEEL TOWN CENTRE**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on this matter which related to exempt information by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 - Information relating to the financial of business affairs or any particular person (including the Council holding that information).

**Read:** Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the proposal for a Public Car Park in Kilkeel Town Centre.

**Noted:** Mr Curtis provided an update on the proposal and requested agreement to take this matter to the DEA meeting and bring a report back to Council.

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session.

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson reported that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor W Clarke, seconded by Councillor Ruane, that approval be given to take this matter to the Mournes DEA meeting and bring a report back to Council regarding the proposal for a Public Car Park in Kilkeel Town Centre.

**SPR/48/2016** **LAND FOR SALE AT UPPER DROMORE ROAD, WARRENPOINT**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on this matter which related to exempt information by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 - Information relating to the financial of business affairs or any particular person (including the Council holding that information).

**Read:** Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance, dated 11 February 2016, regarding land for sale at Upper Dromore Road, Warrenpoint.

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session.

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson reported that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Carr, that approval be given to the recommendations contained within the report dated 11 February 2016, regarding the land for sale at Upper Dromore Road, Warrenpoint.

**SPR/49/2016**      **REVIEW OF AGENCY WORKERS**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on this matter which related to exempt information by virtue of Paragraph 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 - Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the Council or a Government Department and employees of, or office holders under.

**Read:** Report from Mr J McBride, Change Manager, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Review of Agency Workers.

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session.



**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson reported that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Reilly, seconded by Councillor Curran, that approval be given to the recommendations contained within the report dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Review of Agency Workers.

**Noted:** Councillor Andrews had expressed concerns over this item of business.

**SPR/50/2016**      **DATAHUB REPORT**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on this matter which related to exempt information by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 - Information relating to the financial of business affairs or any particular person (including the Council holding that information).

**Read:** Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Policy and Performance, dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Datahub (circulated at the meeting).

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session.

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson reported that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Craig, that approval be given to the recommendations contained within the report dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Datahub.

**SPR/51/2016**      **SEVERANCE APPLICATION**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on this matter which related to exempt information by virtue of Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 - Information relating to any individual.

**Read:** Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Policy and Performance, dated 11 February 2016, regarding Severance Application (circulated at the meeting).

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Ruane, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session.

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson reported that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Curran, seconded by Councillor Reilly, that approval be given to the recommendations contained within the report dated 11 February 2016, regarding the Severance Application.

**SPR/52/2016** **FUTURE USE OF THE FORMER WARRENPOINT BOAT HOUSE, MARINE PARADE, WARRENPOINT**

**Noted:** Mr Green, Legal Advisor, referred to the future use of the Former Warrenpoint Boat House, Marine Parade, Warrenpoint, saying that at the Strategy, Policy and Resources Committee held on 14 January 2016, it had been agreed that an Expression of Interest for the use of the Boat House would be advertised in the local area, but that interest would be limited to community and voluntary organisations, which had not been reflected in the minute.

**Agreed:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Craig, that the Currach Club and Sailability be contacted over their interest in the sub-lease of the former Warrenpoint Boat House, Marine Parade, Warrenpoint. If the groups could not be contacted, sporting groups would be contacted.

The meeting concluded at 7.00pm

For consideration at the Council Meeting to be held on 7 March 2016.

**Signed:** **Councillor Robert Burgess**  
**Chairperson**

**Signed:** **Liam Hannaway**  
**Chief Executive**