

NEWRY, MOURNE & DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Minutes of Active and Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on Monday 16 May 2016 at 6.00pm in the Commedagh Room, Downshire Civic Centre, Downpatrick

Chairperson: Councillor L Devlin

In attendance: **(Councillors)**
Councillor S Burns Councillor M Carr
Councillor S Doran Councillor G Fitzpatrick
Councillor H Harvey Councillor K Loughran
Councillor B Ó'Muirí Councillor W Walker

Non-Committee Members: Councillor T Andrews
Councillor P Clarke

Officials in attendance: Mr M Lipsett, Director of Active and Healthy Communities
Mr E Devlin, Assistant Director of Active and Healthy Communities (Health and Wellbeing)
Mrs J Hillen, Assistant Director for Community Engagement
Mr R Moore, Assistant Director of Active and Healthy Communities (Leisure and Sport)
Miss S Taggart, Democratic Services Officer

AHC/60/2016: APOLOGIES AND CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Apologies were received from Councillors Harte, Kimmins, Sharvin and Taylor.

- The Chairperson advised an email had been received from Kilkenny Masters Swimming Club which thanked Newry Leisure Centre staff on the organisation of the Swim Ulster Gala 2016. They particularly praised the venue for its wheelchair accessibility.
- The Chairperson reminded Members about the Sports Facilities Strategy Workshop which was to take place on 17th May 2016 at 2pm in the Downshire Civic Centre.

AHC/61/2016: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

AHC/62/2016: ACTION SHEET OF THE ACTIVE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 18 APRIL 2016

Read: Action Sheet of the Active and Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on 18 April 2016. (Copy circulated).

Agreed: **The Action Sheet was noted.**

AHC/63/2016 SCHEME OF DELEGATION REPORT (16/11/15-16/05/16)

Read: Report from Mr M Lipsett, Director of Active & Healthy Communities, dated 16 May 2016, regarding Scheme of Delegation Report from 16/11/15-16/05/16. (Copy circulated).

Noted: **The Scheme of Delegation Report was noted.**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

AHC/64/2016 BURREN VISION REPORT

Read: Report from Ms S Rice, Crotlieve DEA Coordinator, dated 16 May 2016 regarding Letter of Support for Burren Vision Group, Warrenpoint. (Copy circulated)

Mrs Hillen presented the report which recommended that Council issue a letter outlining their support in principle for the Burren Vision Group second stage application to the Lottery's 'Space and Place' programme.

Mrs Hillen advised that the Burren Vision Group delivers a wide range of activities for the local community with their vision to provide a community hub that promotes improved health and wellbeing for the entire locality regardless of ability, belief or age through enhanced facilities and services.

Councillor Burns proposed to accept the officer's recommendation stating this was an excellent group whose vision is very impressive. Councillor Fitzpatrick in seconding the proposal stated that Council should support the group and they were not seeking any financial assistance.

Agreed: **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick that Council issue a letter outlining their support, in principle, for the Burren Vision Group second stage application to the Lottery's 'Space and Place' programme.**

AHC/65/2016

SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS WITH COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Read: Report from Mrs J Hillen, Assistant Director of Active and Healthy Communities, Community Engagement, dated 16 May 2016 regarding Service Level Agreements with Community Facilities (Copy circulated).

Mrs Hillen presented the report advising of the new process for the management of Service Level Agreements with Community Centres and services on behalf of Council.

Mrs Hillen stated meetings would be arranged with organisations to explain the new process and assist with any concerns raised and this would be undertaken by AHC staff with assistance from the Strategic Programmes Section as required.

Noted: **The report on Service Level Agreements with Community Facilities was noted.**

LEISURE AND SPORTS

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MARY PETERS TRUST

Read: Report from Mr R Moore, Assistant Director of Active and Healthy Communities (Leisure and Sport) dated 16 May 2016 Mary Peters Trust (Copy circulated).

Mr Moore advised Council had received correspondence from the Mary Peters Trust seeking support for the sports grants for local sportsmen and women, some of whom reside in the Council area.

Mr Moore stated the recommendation would be that the Council should politely decline to support the Trust and develop a new Sports Grants Award Process which could be administered through the SAND once the group became operational.

Councillor Burns proposed to accept the officer's recommendation, this was seconded by Councillor Harvey.

Councillor Carr proposed a nominal contribution of £1000 be granted to the Mary Peters Trust as he was concerned that smaller sports such as wheelchair basketball would not be able to avail of such funds if Council were to develop a Grants Scheme.

This was seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick.

Councillor Burns agreed to include Councillor Carr's proposal into his original proposal, this was agreed by Councillor Harvey.

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Harvey to accept the officer's recommendation to develop a new Sports Grants Award Process which could be administered through the SAND, once the group became operational. It was also agreed to send a contribution of £1000 to the Mary Peters Trust.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

AHC/67/2016 RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION ON DIABETES STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

Read: Report from Mr E Devlin, Assistant Director of Active and Healthy Communities (Health and Wellbeing) dated 16 May 2016 regarding Response to Consultation on Diabetes Strategic Framework (Copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Doran, seconded by Councillor Burns, that the Council respond to the consultation Document regarding the Diabetes Strategic Framework as set out by the officers.

AHC/68/2016 REVIEW OF HOUSING FITNESS STANDARD

Read: Report from Mr E Devlin, Assistant Director of Active and Healthy Communities (Health and Wellbeing) dated 16 May 2016 regarding Review of Housing Fitness Standard (Copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor O'Muirí, seconded by Councillor Doran that the response as set out by the officers was submitted on behalf of the Council.

AHC/69/2016 FOOD HYGIENE RATING SCHEME

Read: Report from Mr E Devlin, Assistant Director of Active and Healthy Communities (Health and Wellbeing) dated 16 May 2016 regarding Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (Copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick that Council submit the officer's response to the FSA NI by 20 June 2016.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

AHC/70/2016 ASSETS RECOVERY AND PRIORITY YOUTH INTERVENTION FUNDING

Read: Report from Ms S Fearon, PCSP Manager, dated 16 May 2016 regarding Assets Recovery and Priority Youth Intervention Funding (Copy circulated).

Mrs Hillen advised the Department of Justice had issued calls for funding under Assets Recovery and Priority Youth Intervention and three groups within the District were successful. She stated the groups had requested an advance payment of grant aid in order to facilitate the commencement of the projects and this would then be claimed back by the Council from the Department of Justice in quarterly claims.

Mrs Hillen recommended that the Committee approve the issuing advance payments to successful groups funded through Assets Recover and Priority Youth Intervention Funding.

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor O'Muirí, seconded by Councillor Burns to approve the issuing of advance payments to the successful groups funded through Assets Recovery and Priority Youth Intervention Funding.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 6.17pm.

For consideration at Meeting of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council to be held on Monday 6 June 2016.

Signed: Councillor L Devlin
Chairperson

Signed: Mr M Lipsett
Director of Active and Healthy Communities