

NEWRY, MOURNE & DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Ref: AHC/2019

Minutes of Active and Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on Monday 18 February 2019 at 6.00pm in the Mourne Room, Downshire Civic Centre, Downpatrick

Chairperson: Councillor G Sharvin

In attendance: (Councillors)

Councillor T Andrews	Councillor S Doran
Councillor C Enright	Councillor G Fitzpatrick
Councillor R Howell	Councillor D Hyland
Councillor K Loughran	Councillor A McMurray
Councillor B Quinn	Councillor W Walker

Officials in attendance: Mr M Lipsett, Director of Active & Healthy Communities
Mr E Devlin, Assistant Director, Health & Wellbeing
Mrs J Hillen, Assistant Director, Community Engagement
Mr C Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure
Mr Kieran Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure
Miss S Taggart, Democratic Services Manager (Acting)
Ms L O'Hare, Democratic Services Officer

AHC/018/2019: APOLOGIES & CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Apologies were received from Councillors Harte, Kimmins, Ó'Muíri and Taylor

- The Chairman offered his congratulations to Councillor Taylor and his wife on the birth of their new baby.
- The Chairman congratulated the Health and Wellbeing Department on the 'Be Safe Campaign' which had been a hugely productive initiative.
- The Chairman offered best wishes and good luck to the officials and volunteers from the District who were taking part in a Special Olympics in Dubai at beginning of March.
- The Chairman extended his congratulations to the local groups who had been successful at the 'Live Here Love Here Awards'.
- The Chairman congratulated St Patrick's Grammar School who had progressed to the final of McLarnon Cup Final to be held on 18 March in Armagh.
- The Chairman extended his condolences on behalf of all Members to the family of Conor Murphy who sadly passed away in Amsterdam.
- The Chairman encouraged all Community Groups to get involved and register for this year's St Patrick's day parade.

- Councillor Fitzpatrick congratulated Aoife Trainor on her Scor na Og win in Castlebar and the Chair had been made aware of her endeavours.

AHC/019/2019: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

AHC/020/2019: ACTION SHEET OF THE ACTIVE & HEALTHY COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 JANUARY 2019

Read: Action sheet of the Active & Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on Monday 21 January 2019 **(Copy circulated)**

AHC/052/2018 – Apologies and Chairperson’s Remarks

Councillor Andrews asked for an update on recognising contribution of carers in the District.

Mr Gordon advised officers would bring forward proposals for the April 2019-March 2020 Scale of Charges with a report being brought back to a future AHC meeting on membership eligibility and criteria to provide further clarity.

AHC/014/2019 – Update Proposal for Camlough Peace Centre

Councillor Loughran asked for an update on the proposal for Camlough Peace Centre.

Ms Hillen stated the matter had been taken to appeal with SEUPB and Members would be kept updated.

Agreed: It was agreed to note the action sheet.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

AHC/021/2019: DEA FORA UPDATE REPORT

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, regarding District Electoral Area (DEA) Fora Update. **(Copy circulated)**

The Chairman asked whether the seven DEA’s could further deliver a programme in relation to Mental Health across the District as a recent report had been released that showed 35,000 teenagers were experiencing problems in mental health, seeking treatment and support.

Ms Hillen responded stating she would refer the matter to the DEA Coordinators for inclusion on the DEA action plans.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Hyland, seconded by Councillor Walker, it was agreed to note the report and agree the action sheets from the following DEA Forum Private Meetings:

- Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Thursday 29 November 2018;
- Slieve Gullion DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 11 December 2018.
- Slieve Croob DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 18 December 2018.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Hyland, seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick, it was agreed to progress the Carlingford Play Park Project.

AHC/022/2019: POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (PCSP) REPORT

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, regarding Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) Report **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Andrew, it was agreed to note the report; to note the minutes of Policing Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 13 November 2018, and the Minutes of the PCSP Meeting held on Tuesday 13 November 2018.

It was also agreed to approve at risk spend for the PCSP to go to tender for the four services named below, the current contracts for which end on 31 March 2019; and to extend the current four contracts named below for a period of six months from 1 April 2019;

- > Provision of Locks & Bolts Scheme for vulnerable members of the community. Current provider is Confederation of Community Groups (CCG). Total value of contract is £25,000 per annum.
- > Provision of Good Morning, Good Neighbour Scheme. Current providers are CCG & Good Morning Down. Total value of contract is £15,000 per annum.
- > Provision of Domestic Violence intervention programme. Current provider is Women's Aid, Newry & Armagh. Total value of contract is £10,000 per annum.
- > Provision of Community Safety Wardens. Current provider is Elite Security. Total value of contract is £53,000 (£33,000 PCSP and £20,000 NIHE subject

to NIHE approval).

AHC/023/2019: PEACE IV LOCAL ACTION PLAN

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Ms J McCabe, Programmes Manager, regarding Peace IV Local Action Plan **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Walker, to agree to the recommendations of the PEACE IV Partnership as detailed in the officer's report at a total cost of £1,422.562.

LEISURE AND SPORT

AHC/024/2019: RDP UPGRADED FUNDED PARKS

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Mr D Crilly, Outdoor Leisure Officer **(Copy circulated)**

Councillor Doran expressed his frustration at the loss of RDP funding for the provision of the playpark in Newtownhamilton and he proposed to accept the officer's recommendation to reallocate the rural development funding to Cullaville. This was seconded by Councillor Howell.

Councillor Doran further proposed that a fresh consultation be carried out in Newtownhamilton, given the extraordinary ill-feelings that had been caused by the last secret vote. Councillor Howell seconded the proposal. This proposal was not considered at this stage in the meeting.

Councillor Loughran expressed her disappointment that once again, Newtownhamilton was losing out and the fact that the playpark would not be completed by March. She asked whether money existed within the Council's budget to replace the RDP funding to complete the park.

Mr Lipsett confirmed the delay in the development of the park was due to the issues encountered around the flood plain and money was ringfenced for the playpark within the Council's budget.

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Doran, seconded by Councillor Howell, to accept the officer's recommendation to reallocate the rural development funding to Cullaville; continue to deliver the park within Newtownhamilton from Council's own budgets; to allocate £10,000 from the Council's Play Parks Capital budget to Cullaville for additional Civil Works to be carried out.

AHC/025/2019: LEISURE AND SPORTS SCALE OF CHARGES 2019/20

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Ms K McConnell, Commercial Development Officer, regarding Leisure and Sports Scale of Charges **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Howell, seconded by Councillor Doran, that the Committee adopt the Indoor Leisure Scale of Charges 2019/20 as set out in section 2.1.

AHC/026/2019: SELECTED INDOOR LEISURE MEMBERSHIP REVISION (TRANSFORMING HEALTH, PREVENTING DISEASE – COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL)

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Ms K McConnell, Commercial Development Officer, regarding selected Indoor Leisure Membership revision (transforming health, preventing disease – Community Planning Partnership Proposal) **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Hyland, seconded by Councillor Howell, it was agreed that the Committee agree to:

- Maintain existing annual pricing for access to swimming (to be reviewed)
- Monthly membership at £15 per month to include access to fitness suites

AHC/027/2019: RDP UPGRADED FUNDED PARKS – CLARIFICATION OF MINUTE AHC/024/2019

At this stage, the Chairman stated he needed to clarify minute AHC/024/2019 to ensure the correct minute had been recorded. He asked Councillor Doran to clarify his proposal.

Councillor Doran advised he had proposed to accept the officer's recommendation to reallocate the rural development funding to Cullaville and that a fresh consultation be carried out in Newtownhamilton, given the extraordinary ill-feelings that had been caused by the last secret vote. Councillor Howell seconded the proposal.

Councillors Fitzpatrick, Loughran and Walker, along with the Chairman, stated they had not heard the second part of Councillor Doran's proposal and that the site had been agreed previously. They stated any further consultation would further delay the construction of the playpark.

Councillor Doran stated the Chairman had asked for clarification on the proposal, which had been seconded and approved previously, and queried why the matter was being discussed again.

The Chairman advised he did not originally hear the section of the proposal relating to going back to consultation, neither had the Director, the Democratic Services Officer, nor other Members of the Committee, therefore, in order to ensure an accurate minute of the meeting, he had asked for clarification.

The Chairperson asked if everyone agreed with Councillor Doran's proposal, and as there was no unanimous agreement, he put the matter to a vote, the results of which were:

FOR: 3
AGAINST: 7
ABSTENTIONS: 1
The proposal was LOST

Councillor Walker proposed to accept the officer's recommendation, this was seconded by Councillor Loughran.

The Chairperson asked whether everyone was in agreement with Councillor Walker's proposal, and as there was not unanimous agreement, he put the matter to a vote, the results of which were:

FOR: 7
AGAINST: 3
ABSTENTIONS: 1
The proposal was CARRIED.

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Loughran to accept the officer's recommendation to reallocate the rural development funding to Cullaville; continue to deliver the park within Newtownhamilton from Council's own budgets; to allocate £10,000 from the Council's Play Parks Capital budget to Cullaville for additional Civil Works to be carried out..

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

AHC/028/2019: FOOD STANDARDS AGENCY'S REPORT ON NEWRY, MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS FOR THE DELIVERY OF OFFICIAL CONTROLS NORTHERN IRELAND

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Ms S Murphy, Head of Environmental Health (Commercial), regarding Food Standards

Agency's report on Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Organisation and **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Hyland, seconded by Councillor Andrews, it was agreed that the Committee agree to the planned improvements listed in the Action Plan in Annexe A of the circulated report.

AHC/029/2019: **CONSULTATION ON THE FOOD STANDARD'S AGENCY'S GUIDANCE ON FOOD TRACEABILITY, WITHDRAWALS AND RECALLS WITHIN THE UK FOOD INDUSTRY**

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Ms S Murphy, Head of Environmental Health (Commercial), regarding Consultation on the Food Standard's Agency's Guidance on Food Traceability, Withdrawals and Recalls within the UK Food Industry **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Walker, the circulated Consultation responses to the Food Standards Agency was agreed and as the closing date had passed the response had been provided with the advice that it was still subject to Council approval.

AHC/030/2019: **FUNDING REQUEST FROM SUSTAINABLE NI**

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Ms S McEldowney, Head of Sustainability, regarding Funding Request from Sustainable NI **(Copy circulated)**

Councillor Enright voiced his concerns that senior management had not availed of renewable energy training and asked Mr Lipsett to raise the issue at a future SMT Meeting.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Enright, seconded by Councillor Andrews, it was agreed:
1) That Council provide funding of £5000 to Sustainable NI for 2019-20.
2) Council agree the 2019-2024 SNI Workplan.

FOR NOTING – LEISURE AND SPORTS

AHC/031/2019: **INDOOR LEISURE FACILITY ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2019/20 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Mr K Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure, regarding Indoor Leisure Facility Arrangements for 2019/20 Public Holidays **(Copy circulated)**

Noted: It was agreed that the Committee note the amendments to the previous decision in October 2018 due to the agreement obtained via the recent rates estimates process – ie. Continue to open DLC, KLC, NLC and Newcastle and close Ballymote Sports and Wellbeing Centre and St Colmans Sports Complex Newry for specific public holidays for 2019/20 as per table set out in 2.1 and subject to change with any future agreements through management and trade unions

FOR NOTING – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

AHC/032/2019: PLAY PARK STRATEGY UPDATE

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Mr D Crilly, Outdoor Leisure Officer, regarding Play Park Strategy Update **(Copy circulated)**

Members asked for updates on playparks in Crossgar; Kilclief and Ballymartin.

Mr Haughey responded to the queries as follows:

- Weather had held up progress of Westlands, Crossgar, however, contractors would be back on site within the next week.
- The report should read 2021/2022 for Kilclief and that it would be included in that financial year.
- Ballymartin was to complete within the incoming financial year, however a site was yet to be identified prior to public consultation taking place.

Noted: It was agreed to note the update on Play Park Strategy.

FOR NOTING – LEISURE & SPORTS

AHC/033/2019: NEWRY MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL SPORTS AWARDS

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Mr P Power, Sports Development Manager, regarding Newry Mourne and Down District Council Sports Awards **(Copy circulated)**

Noted: It was agreed to note the update on Newry Mourne and Down District Council Sports Awards.

AHC/034/2019: NEWRY NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PARTNERSHIP (NRP) REPORT

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, regarding Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (NRP) Report **(Copy circulated)**

Noted: **It was agreed to note the report and the attached minutes of Newry DRP Meeting held on Wednesday 14 November 2018.**

AHC/035/2019: SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND – UPDATE

Read: Report dated 18 February 2019 from Ms J McCabe, Programmes Manager, regarding Social Investment Fund Update **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Sharvin, seconded by Councillor Andrews that Council Officers would meet with Downpatrick Football Club to support the club in delivering their project with consideration being given to the contribution that the legacy Council had committed to this project.**

Noted: **It was agreed to note the update on Social Investment Fund**

There being no further business the meeting ended at 6.43pm.

Signed: Councillor G Sharvin
Chairperson

Signed: Mr M Lipsett
Director of Active and Healthy Communities