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### **NEWRY MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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#### **Minutes of Strategy Policy & Resources Committee Meeting held on Thursday 16 February 2017 at 5.00pm in the Mourne Room, Downshire Civic Centre, Downpatrick.**

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In the Chair: Councillor P Brown

In Attendance: Councillor T Andrews Councillor R Burgess  
Councillor M Carr Councillor C Enright  
Councillor B Ó'Múiri Councillor B Quinn  
Councillor M Ruane Councillor G Sharvin  
Councillor W Walker

Officials in Attendance: Mr L Hannaway, Chief Executive  
Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Policy and Performance  
Mrs D Carville, Director of Corporate Services  
Mr M Lipsett, Director of Active and Healthy Communities  
Mr C O'Rourke, Director of Regulatory and Technical Services  
Mr J McBride, Assistant Director, Transformation, Innovation & Performance  
Mrs A Robb, Assistant Director, Corporate Services (Administration)  
Mr A McKay, Chief Planning Officer  
Mr A Hay, Principal Planning Officer  
Mr E McManus, Capital Projects  
Mrs E McParland, Democratic Services Manager  
Miss S Taggart, Democratic Services Officer

#### **SPR/26/2017 APOLOGIES AND CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

Apologies were received from Councillors Bailie, Byrne, Clarke, Doran and Murnin.

#### **SPR/27/2017 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Carr, Mr E McManus and Mr E Curtis declared an interest in Item 21 – RPA Severance.

The Chief Executive declared an interest in item 18 – Soccer Field at Bog Road, Forkhill.

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

**SPR/28/2017      ACTION SHEET OF THE STRATEGY, POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19 JANUARY 2017**

Read:                      Action Sheet of the Strategy, Policy and Resources (SPR) Committee Meeting held on 19 January 2017 (circulated).

***SPR/192/2016 – Former Kindle Primary School – Business Case***

Councillor Sharvin asked for an update on when Kindle Primary School facility would be transferred across to the Council.

Mrs Carville advised that the Director of Active and Healthy Communities would be having a meeting with Education Authority on this item and she would ask him to advise Councillor Sharvin by email of when the meeting was due to take place.

**AGREED:                      The Action Sheet of the Strategy, Policy and Resources Committee held on 19 January 2017 was agreed.**

**SPR/29/2017      MINUTES OF THE STRATEGIC PROJECTS WORKING GROUP HELD ON 20 DECEMBER 2016**

Read:                      Minutes of the Strategic Projects Working Group held on 20 December 2016 (circulated).

**AGREED:                      The Minutes of the Strategic Projects Working Group held on 20 December 2016 were agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess.**

**SPR/30/2017      CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS – ADDITIONAL ITEM – SAINTFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Read:                      Report dated 16 February 2017, prepared by Committee Chairperson, Councillor P Brown, on Saintfield Community Centre Options for Costing and Projections..(copy circulated at meeting)

The Chairperson circulated a paper to Members outlining proposed options for costing and projections for Saintfield Community Centre following on from a meeting with the local residents group and proposed that the Council prepare an economic appraisal of a range of options regarding their investment in a Saintfield Community Centre.

Councillor Walker seconded the proposal stating the project needed to progress in order to show the people of Saintfield that the Council was committed to providing them with a community centre.

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

Members discussed the issue at length, with the Chairperson withdrawing his proposal and Councillor Walker proposing that a meeting be held with Saintfield Development Association, Council officials and representatives from Darragh Cross GAA, Saintfield Hockey Club and Saintfield Football Club to go through the options and allow officials to concentrate on the feasible options that suited the community needs.. This was seconded by Councillor Burgess.

**AGREED:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Burgess that Council officials hold a meeting with Saintfield Development Association and representatives from Darragh Cross GAA, Saintfield Hockey Club and Saintfield Football Club in order to go through the options and allow officials to concentrate on the feasible options that suited the community needs. It was also agreed that this meeting be held as a matter of urgency.

#### **ITEMS RESTRICTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 6 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NI) 2014**

**AGREED:** On the proposal of Councillor Burgess, seconded by Councillor Enright, 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).

#### **SPR/31/2017      MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS**

**Read:** Report from Mrs D Carville, Director of Corporate Services dated 16 February 2017 regarding Management Accounts to 30 December 2016 (copy circulated)

**AGREED:** On the proposal of Councillor Burgess, seconded by Councillor Andrews, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session.

**AGREED:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed to note the Management Accounts for the 9 month period to December 2016.

#### **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

**SPR/32/2017**      **PLANNING APPEALS COMMISSION – INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS (DRAFT PROCEDURES)**

Read:                      Report from Mr A Hay, Principal Planning Officer dated 16 February 2017 regarding Planning Appeals Commission: Independent Examination of Local Development Plans (Draft Procedures) (copy circulated)

**AGREED:**              **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Walker to note the contents of the report and approve the consultation response on behalf of Council.**

**SPR/33/2017**      **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – PREPARATORY STUDIES – PAPER 8: COAST**

Read:                      Report from Mr A Hay, Principal Planning Officer dated 16 February 2017 regarding Newry, Mourne and Down Local Development Plan Preparatory Studies Paper 8: Coast (copy circulated)

Councillor Enright stated there was no mention of renewable energy sources within the paper.

Mr Hay advised that renewables and the coast were referred to in a couple of the paragraphs within the document and other renewable issues would be further considered and developed on an on-going basis.

Councillor Sharvin asked what the impact of Brexit particularly, regarding the EU Flood Directive, would be within the Northern Ireland context.

Mr Hay advised these studies would evolve as necessary in order to take account of any further policy developments, however the matter of EU legislation was still a very grey area in terms of what may happen with certain aspects likely to be retained by UK governments.

**AGREED:**              **It was agreed to note the content of the report.**

**SPR/34/2017**      **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – PREPARATORY STUDIES – PAPER 11: MINERALS**

Read:                      Report from Mr A Hay, Principal Planning Officer dated 16 February 2017 regarding Newry, Mourne and Down Local Development Plan Preparatory Studies Paper 11: Minerals (copy circulated)

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**AGREED:** It was agreed to note the content of the report.

**SPR/36/2017**      **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – PREPARATORY STUDIES – PAPER 14: EDUCATION, HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Read: Report from Mr A Hay, Principal Planning Officer dated 16 February 2017 regarding Newry, Mourne and Down Local Development Plan Preparatory Studies Paper 14: Education, Health and Community Services (copy circulated)

**AGREED:** It was agreed to note the content of the report.

**FOR CONSIDERATION AND/OR DECISION**

**SPR/37/2017**      **ARMAGH DOWN WOMEN'S AID**

Read: Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance dated 16 February 2017 regarding Armagh Down Women's Aid (copy circulated)

**AGREED:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Ruane to offer a letter of support from Council to Armagh Down Women's Aid Group who wished to have Southern Health and Social Services Council property on the Downshire Road, Newry transferred to them under Government Community Transfer Policy.

**SPR/38/2017**      **COMMUNITY PLANNING UPDATE (IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMUNITY PLAN)**

Read: Report from Mr J McBride, Assistant Director: Strategic Planning & Performance (TIP) dated 16 February 2017 regarding Community Planning Update (implementation of the Community Plan) (copy circulated)

Mr McBride provided an update in respect of Community Planning, particularly relating to the decisions reached at the Partnership Meeting held on 9 February 2017 concerning the implementation of the Community Plan.

Mr McBride advised the following had been agreed at the Partnership Meeting:

- A delivery framework (including June 2017 target) for the production of drafts of Thematic Delivery Plans;

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- An initial two year term to enable a review in 2019 to be undertaken in respect of the statutory requirement; and
- A leadership model whereby the Council would lead and facilitate the production of these plans, in the first instance, to be followed by a discussion with the Partnership about changing the model to reflect a greater role for Statutory Partners.

**AGREED:** It was agreed to note the Community Planning Update.

**SPR/39/2017**      **CONSULTATION RESPONSE ON CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S STRATEGY NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Read:** Report from Mr J McBride, Assistant Director: Strategic Planning & Performance (TIP) dated 16 February 2017 regarding Children and Young People's Strategy Northern Ireland (copy circulated)

**AGREED:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Burgess to approve the consultation response on Children and Young People's Strategy Northern Ireland.

**SPR/40/2017**      **CONSULTATION RESPONSE ON THE SAFEGUARDING BOARD FOR NORTHERN IRELAND (SBNI) REGIONAL CHILD PROTECTION/SAFEGUARDING POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Read:** Report from Mrs C Miskelly, Assistant Director, Corporate Services, Human Resources dated 16 February 2017 regarding consultation response on Safeguarding Board for Northern Ireland (SBNI) Regional Child Protection/Safeguarding Policy and Procedures for Northern Ireland (copy circulated)

**AGREED:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Burgess to note the contents of the report, and approve the submission of responses to the consultation on the Safeguarding Board for Northern Ireland (SBNI) Regional Child Protection/Safeguarding Policy and Procedures for Northern Ireland.

**ESTATE**

**SPR/41/2017**      **KILKEEL TOWN HALL**

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

Read: Report from Mr E Curtis, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance dated 16 February 2017 regarding Kilkeel Town Hall, former Cinema (copy circulated)

Councillor Quinn asked whether the building could be developed as it was an eyesore on the main arterial route into Kilkeel.

Mr Curtis advised the building would form part of the strategic review of asset management and a report would be brought back to Committee in due course.

**AGREED:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Quinn, seconded by Councillor Ruane to approve the works outlined in the Officer's report to allow the premises to be returned to the Council.

**SPR/42/2017      LEASE OF OFFICES – MCGRATH HOUSE, NEWRY**

Read: Report from Mrs A Robb, Assistant Director Corporate Services Administration and Legal Services dated 16 February 2017 regarding Lease of Offices at McGrath House, Newry (copy circulated)

**AGREED:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Sharvin to permit officials to seek advice from LPS as to the definition of community rental rate before deciding on whether to renew the lease at McGrath House, Newry. It was also agreed that a report would be brought back to the Committee in due course.

**SPR/43/2017      DEED OF RELEASE OF COVENANT AND CHARGE – TI CHULAINN LIMITED**

Read: Report from Mr P Green, Legal Advisor dated 16 February 2017 regarding Deed of Release of Covenant and Charge – Ti Chulainn Limited (copy circulated)

**AGREED:** It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ó Muirí, seconded by Councillor Quinn to note the contents of the Officer's report and agreed to Council entering into a Deed of Release of a Deed of Charge between Ti Chulainn Limited and legacy Newry and Mourne District Council, registered on 15 December 1998 and Supplementary Contribution Agreement dated 24 August 1999.

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

**ITEMS RESTRICTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 6 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NI) 2014**

**SPR/44/2017      PROPOSED SALE OF LAND AT CARLINGFORD PARK, NEWRY**

**Agreed:**                On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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 Mrs A Robb, Assistant Director Corporate Services Administration and Legal Services dated 16 February 2017 regarding Proposed Sale of Land at Carlingford Park, Newry (copy circulated).

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

**Agreed:**                When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Sharvin, seconded by Councillor Ruane to proceed with the sale of a portion of land at Carlingford Park, Newry at the recommended valuation, subject to the conditions listed in paragraph 2.1 of the Officer's report.

Having previously declared an interest, the Chief Executive left the chamber at this stage – 6.15pm

**SPR/45/2017      REPORT RE SOCCER FIELD – BOG ROAD, FORKHILL**

**Agreed:**                On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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).



In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

**Read:** Report from Mrs A Robb, Assistant Director Corporate Services Administration and Legal Services dated 16 February 2017 regarding Proposed Sale of Land at Bog Road, Forkhill (copy circulated).

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

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Andrews to proceed with the sale of land at Bog Road, Forkhill to Peadar O'Doirnin GAA Club at the valuation contained within paragraph 3.1 of the Officer's report and subject to the conditions detailed in paragraph 2.1 of the report.

**SPR/46/2017**      **CCTV**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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, Assistant Director: Strategic Planning & Performance (TIP) dated 16 February 2017 regarding CCTV (copy circulated).

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

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Andrews to note the contents of the Officer's report and agree to:

1. The extension of the town centre CCTV surveillance and monitoring contract with the company detailed in the Officer's report for a further 12 months until 31 March 2018 at the cost contained within the Officer's report.

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

2. Grant authority to Officials to identify options for the longer-term management of CCTV throughout the District (town centres and Council property) and;
3. The immediate upgrading of the CCTV system at the Bridge Centre, Killyleagh at the cost outlined in the Officer's report.

**SPR/47/2017**

**HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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 Mrs D Carville, Director of Corporate Services dated 16 February 2017 regarding Health & Safety Policy (copy circulated).

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

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Ruane to approve the Health and Safety Policy contained in Appendix 1 of the Officer's report.

**SPR/48/2017**

**ADDITIONAL COSTS TO NEWRY LEISURE CENTRE**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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 E McManus, Estates/Capital Projects dated 16 February 2017 regarding Additional Costs to Newry Leisure Centre (copy circulated).

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

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

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Ó Muirí to:

1. Grant authority to Council Officers to instruct the Design Team to include all necessary additional mechanical and electrical works in the current Newry Leisure Centre Phase 2 scheme that had not been included in the original tender documentation, noting that these additional works shall incur additional costs to the contract.
2. Grant authority to Council Officers to take appropriate action to seek to recover any additional costs to the Council arising directly from the Design Team's omission of necessary mechanical and electrical works from the original tender documentation.

**SPR/49/2017      TENDER FOR INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICES**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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 K Montgomery, Assistant Director Financial Services dated 16 February 2017 regarding Tender for Insurance Brokerage Services (copy circulated).

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

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Walker to appoint the company as recommended in paragraph 3.1 of the Officer's report as the Council's insurance broker for a two year period running from 1 April

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

2017 until 31 March 2019, with an option to extend the contract for a further 1 year + 1 year period.

**SPR/50/2017      POLICY ON REVENUE EXPENDITURE FUNDED BY CAPITAL UNDER STATUTE (REFCUS)**

**Agreed:**            On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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 K Montgomery, Assistant Director Financial Services dated 16 February 2017 regarding Policy on Revenue Expenditure Funded by Capital Under Statute (REFCUS) (copy circulated).

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

**Agreed:**            When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Sharvin, seconded by Councillor Ruane to approve the policy for revenue expenditure funded by capital under statute, as attached in appendix 1 of the Officer's report.

**SPR/51/2017      PROPOSED NEW ENTRANCE TO NEWRY LEISURE CENTRE**

**Agreed:**            On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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 E McManus, Estates/Capital Projects dated 16 February 2017 regarding Proposed New Entrance to Newry Leisure Centre via Cecil Street (copy circulated).

In relation to SPR/52/2017 – RPA Severance – it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to note the content of the officers report and the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 regarding the application of the RPA Severance Scheme.

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

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Sharvin, seconded by Councillor Ruane to approve the additional works to the entrance to the new Newry Leisure Centre from Cecil Street, Newry at the cost detailed in paragraph 3.1 of the Officer's report with this work to be carried out as part of the current contract.

**Councillor Enright left the chamber at this stage – 6.45pm**

**Councillor Carr, Mr Curtis and Mr McManus having previously declared an interest in the next item, left the chamber at this stage – 6.48pm**

**SPR/52/2017      RPA SEVERANCE**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess, 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 Mrs D Carville, Director of Corporate Services dated 16 February 2017 regarding RPA Severance (copy circulated at meeting).

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

**Agreed:** When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised that it had been agreed on the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Burgess to note the contents of the Officer's report and

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**agree to the recommendations regarding the application of the RPA Severance scheme at paragraph 3.1 of the report.**

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7.10pm.

For consideration at the Council Meeting to be held on 6 February 2017

**Signed: Councillor Patrick Brown**  
**Chairperson**

**Signed: Eddy Curtis**  
**Director of Strategic Policy and Performance**