

NEWRY, MOURNE & DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Ref: AHC/2018

**Minutes of Active and Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on
Monday 19 February 2018 at 6.00pm in the Mourne Room, Downshire
Civic Centre, Downpatrick**

Chairperson: Councillor Walker

In attendance: **(Councillors)**
Councillor Andrews Councillor Brown
Councillor Burns Councillor Enright
Councillor Fitzpatrick Councillor Kimmins
Councillor Loughran Councillor McMurray
Councillor Ó Muirí Councillor Quinn
Councillor Taylor Councillor Trainor

Officials in attendance: Mr M Lipsett, Director of Active & Healthy Communities
Mr E Devlin, Assistant Director of Active & Healthy Communities (Health & Wellbeing)
Mr R Moore, Assistant Director of Active & Healthy Communities (Leisure & Sports)
Mr K Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure
Miss S Taggart, Democratic Services Officer

AHC/029/2018 APOLOGIES & CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Apologies were received from Councillor Harte.

The Chairperson advised that Mr Roland Moore was moving to Neighbourhood Services and thanked him for his work in the Active & Healthy Communities Department.

The Chairperson stated that this was Councillor Burns' last Active & Healthy Communities Committee Meeting. He paid tribute to the work undertaken on the Committee by Councillor Burns over the years and was indebted to him for the support and assistance on various projects.

The Chairperson advised Northern Ireland had been represented in the Under21 Championship Snooker by Eamon Ferris and stated the Committee should support him under their grant scheme.

AGREED: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick to recognise Mr Ferris for his achievements with remuneration up to the value of £500 on production of valid receipts.

AHC/030/2018: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

**AHC/031/2018 ACTION SHEET OF THE ACTIVE AND HEALTHY
COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 22
JANUARY 2018**

Read: Action Sheet of the Active & Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on Monday 22 January 2018. **(Copy circulated)**

AHC/121/2017 – Cullyhanna Community Centre

Councillor Loughran asked for an update on the community centre replacement flooring as it had been ongoing for quite some time.

Mr Lipsett advised he would contact Councillor Loughran on the matter as soon as possible.

AHC/016/2018 – Newry Sports Centre Asset Disposal to SANDSA Members

Councillor Fitzpatrick asked for an update on the Asset Disposal from Newry Sports Centre to SANDSA Members.

Mr Moore advised officers were in the process of collating the asset list to be sent to SANDSA and this should be completed within the next two weeks.

Agreed: It was agreed to note the action sheet.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

AHC/032/2018: DEA FORA UPDATE REPORT

Read: Report from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, dated 19 February 2018 regarding DEA Fora Update (copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Kimmins, to note the DEA Fora Update report and agree the following action sheet from the DEA Forum Private Meeting:

- **Downpatrick DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 4 December 2017.**

AHC/033/2018: POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (PCSP)

Read: Report from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, and Ms S Fearon, PCSP Manager, dated 19 February 2018 regarding Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) (copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews,

seconded by Councillor Enright, to note the following reports:

- **PCSP and Policing Committee Minutes and Officer Report to PCSP Meeting held on Tuesday 21 November 2017; and approve at risk spend for PCSP to extend the contracts for services named below:**
- **provision of Locks & Bolts Scheme for vulnerable members of the community (Confederation of Community Groups (CCD)) (Total value of Contract £25,000 – on-going)**
- **provision of Good Morning, Good Neighbour Scheme (CCG & Good Morning Down) (Total value of Contract £15,000 – on-going)**
- **provision of Domestic Violence Intervention Programme (Women’s Aid, Newry & Armagh) (Total value of Contract £10,000 – on-going)**
- **provision of Community Safety Wardens (Total value of Contract £53,000 (£33,000 PCSP/£20,000 NIHE) – on-going)**

AHC/034/2018: PEACE IV LOCAL ACTION PLAN

Read: Report from Ms J McCabe, Programmes Manager, dated 19 February 2018 regarding Peace IV Local Action Plan (copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Andrews, to agree the recommendations of the PEACE IV Partnership as set out in Section 2.1 of the Officer’s Report at a total cost of £719,600.

LEISURE AND SPORTS

AHC/035/2018: INDOOR LEISURE BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE

Read: Report from Mr K Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018 regarding Indoor Leisure Business Plan Update (copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Loughran, seconded by Councillor Burns, to approve the update of progress on Indoor Leisure Business Plan from 2016-2020/21

AHC/036/2018: SCALE OF CHARGES FOR LEISURE SERVICES

Read: Report from Mr K Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018 regarding Leisure and Sport Scale of Charges 2018/19 (copy circulated).

Councillor Enright raised a question regarding the charges for use of playing fields for funfairs etc. being on a sliding scale in correlation with the size of the pitch being requested and had thought this should have been included in the scale of charges for this year.

Mr Moore advised a separate meeting was to be held on that issue as it involved a lot of other departments and he would investigate the progress on this matter and revert back to the Councillor.

Agreed: **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Enright, seconded by Councillor Burns to approve the Indoor Leisure Scale of Charges for 2018/19.**

AHC/037/2018: FOOTGOLF, NEWCASTLE

Read: Report from Mr C Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Footgolf, Newcastle (copy circulated).

Councillor Burns asked whether the condition of Islands Park could be looked at as it seemed to be in a bad state of repair at present.

Agreed: **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Ó Muirí to re-instate Islands Park, Newcastle as a natural parkland allowing free access to public amenity and open space.**

AHC/038/2018: MILLTOWN TENNIS COURTS

Read: Report from Mr C Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Milltown Tennis Courts (copy circulated).

Agreed: **It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Burns, to approve capital overspend to replace and improve Milltown Tennis Courts, Warrenpoint floodlights.**

AHC/039/2018: CAPITAL SCHEME APPROVALS

Read: Report from Mr C Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Capital Scheme Approvals (copy circulated).

Members queried whether consultation would take place with members of the community regardless if they were linked with a community group or association.

Mr Moore advised there was a detailed process with 3 stages of consultation that had been agreed previously by the Committee which he would circulate to Members.

Members welcomed the projected spend on play and sports facilities across the District.

Mr Lipsett advised following approval from the Committee, robust business cases would need to be provided for each area of spend and any issues that arise would be brought back to the Committee. He stated this was an investment of £2.5m in the next year with additional funding in the two years following that. He stated there was also £1m being given in grants to sports clubs and community groups and an additional

£0.5m also to sports clubs and hopefully everyone in the District would see a refurbishment pitch or play area near to them soon.

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Kimmins to approve officers to tender and appoint Contractors for the year 1 and 2 projects as listed in the officer's report.

AHC/040/2018: WILLIE MALEY STATUE

Read: Report from Mr R Moore, Assistant Director Leisure and Sport, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Willie Maley Statue (copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Kimmins to allow officers to develop proposals including potential costs, sources of funding and any likely capital commitment from Council and to contact all potential partners in relation to location and funding options.

AHC/041/2018: SPORT NI APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

Read: Report from Mr C Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Sport NI Application for Funding (copy circulated).

Members asked that the 14 Sports Hubs locations be circulated to them again and that the tight turnaround times be highlighted to SportNI.

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor McMurray to approve the appointment of Consultants to carry out a feasibility study of the 14 No. Sports Hubs listed within the Council Sports Facility Strategy.

AHC/042/2018: COMMONWEALTH GAMES, GOLD COAST, AUSTRALIA

Read: Report from Mr C Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Commonwealth Games, Gold Coast, Australia (copy circulated).

Members discussed the issue and agreed that the maximum of £500 per participant be allocated on receipt of confirmation they attended and receipts for flights etc.

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Burns that approval be given to financially support the 10 participants from our District participating in the XXI Commonwealth Games 2018, to a maximum of £500 per participant, subject to confirmation of attendance and receipts submission for flights etc.

AHC/043/2018: LEASE OF LAND TO ST JOHN BOSCO

Read: Report from Ms L Moore, Head of Legal Administration, dated 19

February 2018, regarding Lease of Land to St John Bosco GAC for Clubhouse facilities at Newry Leisure Centre (copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Kimmins for Council to proceed with a 25 year lease at a peppercorn rent, with an option for St John Bosco GAC to renew for a further 25 years, subject to Department for Communities approval.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

AHC/044/2018: ORGAN DONATION CONSULTATION

Read: Report from Ms A Rennick, Investing for Health Officer, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Organ Donation Consultation (copy circulated).

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Ó Muirí to approve the draft response to the public consultation on Promotion of Human Organ Donation and Local Government Code of Practice on same and agree to return to Department of Health.

FOR NOTING – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

AHC/045/2018: SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND UPDATE

Read: Report from Ms J McCabe, Programmes Manager, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Social Investment Fund Update. (copy circulated).

Mr Lipsett advised there were significant risks of funding loss from the 3G pitch project funders with construction costs being considerably higher than the original estimates. He advised the Executive Office were considering the options and associated additional costs in respect of the Community Operated Sports Facilities.

Noted: The Scheme of Delegation Report was noted.

AHC/046/2018: NEWRY NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PARTNERSHIP

Read: Report from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement and Mr S McKevitt, Neighbourhood Renewal Officer, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership. (copy circulated).

Noted: The report on Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Project was noted.

AHC/047/2018: DOWNPATRICK NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PARTNERSHIP

Read: Report from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement and Ms K Hynds, DEA Coordinator, Downpatrick, dated 19 February 2018, regarding

Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership. (copy circulated).

Noted: The report on Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Project was noted.

FOR NOTING – LEISURE & SPORTS

AHC/048/2018: APPOINTED CAPITAL PROJECT SCHEMES

Read: Report from Mr C Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Appointed Capital Project Schemes (copy circulated).

Mr Lipsett advised the Capital Project Schemes equated to £0.5m worth of projects being carried out within the District.

Noted: The report on the Appointed Capital Project Schemes was noted.

AHC/049/2018: INDOOR LEISURE CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY

Read: Report from Mr K Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Indoor Leisure Customer Satisfaction Survey (copy circulated).

Noted: The report on the Indoor Leisure Customer Satisfaction Survey was noted.

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

AHC/050/2018 SAINTFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Trainor, seconded by Councillor Burn, 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 Part 3 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Council holding that information) and the public may, by resolution, be excluded during this item of business.

Read: Report from Mr C Mallon, Assistant Director of Estates and Project Management, dated 19 February 2018, regarding Saintfield Community Centre (copy circulated).

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Kimmins, 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 Brown, to note the appointment of contractors for a new Community and Indoor Sports Facility at an existing Council owned site at 29 Belfast Road, Saintfield.

AHC/051/2018 **CAPITAL SCHEME APPROVALS**

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Trainor, seconded by Councillor Burn, 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 Part 3 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Council holding that information) and the public may, by resolution, be excluded during this item of business.

Read: Appendix B from Capital Scheme Approvals report (copy circulated).

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Kimmins, 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 Burns, seconded by Councillor Kimmins, to note the Capital Scheme Approvals Appendix B.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 7.05pm.

For consideration at Meeting of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council to be held on Monday 5 March 2017.

Signed: Councillor W Walker
Chairperson

Signed: Mr M Lipsett
Director of Active and Healthy Communities