

CASTLEREAGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Civic Committee meeting held, in committee, in the Function Suite, Civic & Administrative Offices, Bradford Court, Upper Galwally, Castlereagh, BT8 6RB on Monday, 10th January 2005 at 8.05 p.m.

PRESENT:- Councillor M Robinson (in the chair)
Councillor J Beattie
Councillor Miss J Bunting
Councillor M Copeland (from 8.15 p.m.)
Councillor Mrs S Duncan
Councillor Miss R Hughes MBE
Councillor M Long
Councillor T Sandford (from 8.10 p.m.)

IN ATTENDANCE:- Director of Administration & Civic Services,
Community Services Manager, Administration
Manager, and Assistant Members' Service Officer.

APOLOGIES:- Apologies were recorded on behalf of Councillors
McBurney, Copeland, Drysdale and Aldermen
Henderson and Hall.

CV/2005/01 : HOSPITALITY - OVERSPEND IN BUDGET

The Director of Administration & Community Service reported that the Council had recently agreed to take a number of hospitality tables at various events, but as there was no hospitality budget in place, she sought Members' permission to overspend on the Civic budget to accommodate these costs.

RESOVLED:- That, the Council be recommended to authorise the Director of Administration & Community Services to overspend on her budget to cover the costs of the booking of Council tables at various events, in lieu of the absence of a hospitality budget.

CV/2005/02 : RAF CONCERT

The Director of Administration & Community Services stated that it was not possible to stage this event this year, as the dates, times and venues offered to

the organisers could not be accommodated, particularly as there was a requirement for transport to and from the selected venue.

However, she added that the Officers were currently liaising with Mr Pat Jamison to organise a cross-community event of this nature in February 2006.

Noted.

CV/2005/03 : ANNUAL SISTER CITIES INTERNATIONAL YOUNG ARTISTS COMPETITION

The Director of Administration & Community Services reported that the Officers were proposing to contact schools in the Borough, inviting them to participate in this Sister Cities competition.

She added that, as there was no Sister Cities budget in place, the Council would have to cover the cost of the painting equipment and transport of the finished paintings to Kent, but in her estimation, this should only cost several hundred pounds.

The Administration Manager then drew Members' attention to the fact that, should the Borough produce an award winner in the Competition, the Council would have to host a presentation.

RESOLVED:- That, the Officers be authorised to look into this matter further, with a view to inviting schools in the Borough to participate in the Annual Sister Cities International Young Artists Competition.

CV/2005/04 : TSUNAMI DISASTER APPEAL

The Director of Administration & Community Services announced that she had been approached to use Tullycarnet Resource Centre as a base for a clothing collection for the Tsunami Disaster Appeal.

Furthermore, she reported that a Coffee Morning had been held by staff that morning, which had raised £420 towards the appeal.

Councillor Sandford arrived at 8.10 p.m.

RESOLVED:- That, the Council be recommended to approve the use of the Tullycarnet Resource Centre as a base for a clothing collection for the Tsunami Disaster Appeal.

CV/2005/05 : DEDICATION TO THE FORMER LISNABREENY CEMETARY CEREMONY

The Director of Administration & Community Services updated Members on the progress of the Dedication to the Former Lisnabreeny Cemetery Ceremony being held on the 8th May 2005, which would take place in the same format as that of a 1945 service. She added that this event would be followed by a civic luncheon for local ex-veterans, and Officers were currently in consultation with the Cregagh and Wandsworth British Legion Association.

She indicated that a Home Front lottery funding application had been made, seeking financial assistance of £10,000 to cover the event costs, and she felt optimistic that the Council would receive a positive response to the application.

Councillor Miss Bunting referred to the past Member, Councillor Tommy Jeffers, who had been instrumental in researching this matter, and she felt that, in light of his efforts, it would be appropriate that he be invited to the ceremony.

Noted.

CV/2005/06 : PR & MARKETING PROMOTIONAL SLIDE PRESENTATION

The Administration Manager took Members through the PR & Marketing Promotion slide presentation, which had been produced to complement the guided tour and could be utilised by the Council, Mayor and Officers.

The Director added that it was envisaged that a guided tour would take place, either starting or ending in the provision of light refreshments and a viewing of the promotional slide presentation, and concluding in the presentation of small borough promotional gifts. She stated that the narrative of the presentation could be customised to the needs of any particular group.

Councillor Copeland arrived at 8.15 p.m.

In response to a query from Councillor Mrs Duncan regarding photographs of the Members, the Director indicated that, in light of insufficient space on the overhead slide itself, she would refer the public to the Council website for details of the Councillors and their constituencies during the narrative presentation accompanying the slides.

Councillor Sandford commended the Officers involved in producing this promotional presentation.

RESOLVED:- That, the Council be recommended to approve the new PR & Marketing promotional presentation and slides to complement the Council's guided tours of the Civic Offices.

CV/2005/07 : SPECIAL NIGHT AT THE RACES – 25 FEBRUARY 2005

Councillor Sandford drew Members' attention to a "Special Night at the Races" in aid of the Mayor's charities, which was being held on 25 February at Cregagh and Wandsworth British Legion Hall, and he asked Officers to display the poster in the Reception foyer. Councillors thanked Councillor Sandford for his work towards the Mayor's charities.

Noted.

As there was no further information, the meeting concluded at 8.25 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Adopted by the Council this _____ day of
_____ 2005 with the exception of
Minute Nos. _____

MAYOR

CHIEF EXECUTIVE