

CASTLEREAGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of Castlereagh Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Castlereagh Borough Council, Civic & Administrative Offices, Bradford Court, Upper Galwally, Castlereagh, BT8 6RB, on Thursday, 28 February 2008, at 7.10 p.m.

- PRESENT:** Councillor M Chambers
(in the Chair)
- ALDERMEN:** J Norris MBE (absent 8.00-8.15 pm)
G Rice MBE
- COUNCILLORS:** Mrs A M Beattie (until 8.45 pm)
Ms J Bunting
J Cochrane
D Drysdale
Mrs S Duncan
C Hall
B Hanvey (absent 7.45-7.50pm)
Miss R Hughes (absent 7.45-8.15pm)
T Jeffers
M Long
Mrs V McCoy (absent 8.45-8.50 pm)
G Robinson
J Spratt
L Walker (until 8.45 pm)
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive, Director of Administration & Community Services, Director of Finance, Director of Leisure, Director of Technical and Environmental Services, Planning Service Officer, Planning Officer and Assistant Members' Services Officer
- APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received on behalf of Aldermen Copeland, I Robinson and White, and Councillors Beattie, Henderson and Tosh

2008/60 : OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend David McIlveen, opened the meeting with a prayer.

Noted.

2008/61 : MINUTES

RESOLVED : That

- (a) the Minutes of the following meetings be accepted as a true record:
- Central Services Committee meeting held on 11 February 2008
 - Special Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 14 February 2008
- (b) the Minutes of the following meetings be accepted as a true record subject to the following amendments:
- Council meeting held on 24 January 2008 – Minute 2008/29, delete ‘commuters parking their cars for the day in disabled parking spaces’, replace with ‘commuters parking their cars in disability parking spaces’
 - Special Council meeting held on 14 February 2008 – to be referred for further discussion in Committee
 - Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 13 February 2008 – delete ‘a reduction in hours to a four-day week’, replace with ‘a reduction in hours to a set consecutive four-day week’
 - Technical & Environmental Services Committee meeting held on 5 February 2008 – Minute T&ESC/2008/52 to be referred for further discussion in ‘Staff in Committee’
 - Leisure Services Committee meeting held on 7 February 2008 – Minute LS/2008/37 to be referred back to Committee for further discussion
- (c) the Minutes of the following meetings be noted:
- Leisure Park Board meeting held on 17 December 2007
 - Castlereagh Hills Golf Club Board meeting held on 21 December 2007.

MATTERS ARISING

2008/62 : COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 24 JANUARY 2008 – MINUTE 2008/31

The Director of Finance advised that he had contacted the Department of the Environment Local Government Division in respect of the EPP Estimates for 2008-09. He confirmed that the figures used by NILGA to distribute its charges for 2008-2009 agreed with the Department of the Environment Local Government Division figures and that the calculations using this method were correct.

Noted.

PLANNING

**SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS DATED 28 FEBRUARY 2008
(copy previously circulated)**

2008/63 : APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN

The Planning Service Officer advised Applications Y/2007/0513/F and Y/2007/0713/F had been withdrawn by the applicants and Application Y/2006/0672/F had been withdrawn by the Planning Service.

Noted.

2008/64 : PLANNING APPLICATION Y/2007/0536/F – LANDS TO THE REAR OF BALLYRONAN COMMUNITY CENTRE AND NOS 28-32 OLD MILL PARK

Councillor Jeffers proposed that an office meeting be convened, in order to allow Members to inspect the drawings relating to the above application. However, the Planning Service Officer advised that approval had already been granted, as the development met the relevant criteria.

Alderman Rice raised concerns that the development included a large number of apartments instead of family housing, and following some further discussion, it was

RESOLVED: That the Planning Officer write to the developer and the Planning Service, voicing the Council's concerns regarding Planning Application Y/2007/0536/F.

2008/65 : PLANNING APPLICATION Y/2008/0001/F – 4 CARNBRAE AVENUE, BRED A

Members raised concerns in respect of the refusal of the above application. Councillor Robinson stated that similar extensions had been erected at neighbouring houses. The Planning Service Officer agreed to hold an informal meeting with Members, in order to discuss the details of the applications further.

RESOLVED: That an informal meeting be held with Members and the Planning Service Officer in attendance to discuss the details of Planning Application Y/2008/0001/F.

2008/66 : WEEKLY PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR THE PERIOD 8 JANUARY 2008 TO 11 FEBRUARY 2008 (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

(Councillors Miss R Hughes and B Hanvey left the meeting at 7.45 pm.)

PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

2008/67 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE PLANNING SERVICE, DATED 25 JANUARY 2008, RE: PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008 (SR 2008 NO 17) (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/68 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE PLANNING SERVICE, DATED 16 JANUARY 2008, RE: DEMOLITION OF EXISTING TWO HOUSES AND REPLACEMENT BY ONE NO APARTMENT BLOCK, CONSISTING OF TEN APARTMENTS, AT 62-64 GILNAHIRK PARK, TULLYCARNET (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/69 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE PLANNING SERVICE, DATED 11 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: MANAGEMENT BOARD REFERRAL – PLANNING APPLICATION Y/2006/0087/F, GRANTON HEIGHTS, KING’S ROAD, DUNDONALD (copy previously circulated)

As Chair of the Tullycarnet Neighbourhood Regeneration Group, Councillor Robinson raised concerns that the focus in this area should be on social housing, and he also referred to previous concerns raised by residents. He proposed that the Planning Officer write to the Minister for Social Development to ask for an explanation why this land had been sold to a private developer instead of being used for social housing. Alderman Rice stated that Article 40 should be referred to in the letter.

Following some further discussion, it was

RESOLVED: That the Planning Officer write to the Minister for Social Development to seek an explanation why Planning Application Y/2006/0087/F did not include any social housing, and that a copy of the letter be forwarded to Mr P McIntyre of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

(Councillor Hanvey returned to the meeting at 7.50 pm.)

2008/70 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM NORTHERN IRELAND WATER, DATED 15 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: FUTURE SEWERAGE PROPOSALS FOR THE CARRYDUFF AREA (copy previously circulated)

Alderman Rice proposed that the Planning Officer write to Northern Ireland Water to seek clarification whether developers would be required to install separate foul-and-storm sewers in order to reduce the impact on the existing system.

RESOLVED: That the Planning Officer write to Northern Ireland Water to seek clarification whether developers would be required to install separate foul-and-

storm sewers in order to reduce the impact on the existing system from new developments.

HOUSING

2008/71 : CORRESPONDENCE TO THE MAYOR FROM THE NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE, DATED 4 JANUARY 2008, RE: THANKS FOR THE CONFERMENT OF THE FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH OF CASTLEREAGH ON THE NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/72 : CORRESPONDENCE TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE FROM THE NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE, DATED 4 JANUARY 2008, RE: THANKS FOR THE CONFERMENT OF THE FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH ON THE NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

ROADS

2008/73 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ROADS SERVICE, DATED 18 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: ACTING DIVISIONAL ROADS MANAGER (copy previously circulated)

RESOLVED: That the Council send a get-well card to Mr Tom McCourt, Divisional Roads Manager.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS - ROADS

2008/74 : FOOTPATH IN CANBERRA PARK

Councillor Jeffers asked that the Council write to the Roads Service, asking them to restore the footpath in Canberra Park to its previous condition following the installation of a new water pipe.

RESOLVED: That the Council write to the Roads Service, asking them to restore the footpath in Canberra Park to its previous condition following the installation of a new water pipe.

FINANCE

2008/75 : ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED : That the Council approve the undernoted payments:

Capital Account (General)	£473,173.67
General Account (Salaries)	£490,907.25
General Account (Suppliers)	£1,097,491.24

MAYOR/DEPUTY MAYOR'S BUSINESS

2008/76 : MAYOR/DEPUTY MAYOR'S BUSINESS FOR FEBRUARY 2008 (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

2008/77 : REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES, THE DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND THE DIRECTOR OF LEISURE SERVICES, RE: TENDERS FOR ANNUAL SUPPLIES AND SERVICES 2008-2009

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED: That consideration of the report from the Director of Administration & Community Services, the Director of Technical & Environmental Services and the Director of Leisure Services re Tenders for Annual Supplies and Services 2008-2009 be referred to the Finance & General Purposes Committee, with a view of seeking executive powers.

GENERAL

2008/78 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM NIORMC OFFICE, DATED 17 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: REQUEST TO GIVE A PRESENTATION ON THE ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF THE RISK POSED BY SEX OFFENDERS IN NORTHERN IRELAND (copy previously circulated)

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED: That representatives from NIORMC be invited to give a presentation to Council on the assessment and management of the risk posed by sex offenders in Northern Ireland, at a date to be arranged.

(Alderman Norris left the meeting at 8.00 pm.)

2008/79 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE BUDDY BEAR TRUST, DATED 31 JANUARY 2008, RE: 'A LIFETIME OF DIFFERENCE' – SUPPORT FROM COUNCILS (copy letter previously circulated)

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED: That the Council write to the Chief Executives of the Education & Library Boards and the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister in support of saving and developing the Buddy Bear School for children with cerebral palsy.

2008/80 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE HANWOOD CENTRE, DATED 13 DECEMBER 2008, RE: THANKS TO THE COUNCIL FOR THE ONGOING SUPPORT (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/81 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE SOMME ASSOCIATION, DATED 25 JANUARY 2008, RE: 2008 SOMME PILGRIMAGE FOR THE 92ND ANNIVERSARY(copy previously circulated)

Following discussion, it was agreed that two members of the DUP and one member each of the UUP, Alliance and SDLP (who had not attended the event before) attend the Somme Commemorations this year, and that the Council delegation should also include the Chief Executive.

Councillor Bunting advised that the Council had previously considered that Members pay their own way, and she suggested that it might be worthwhile for a larger group to represent the Council. Councillor Robinson further suggested that Members might wish to bring their partners, and he proposed that Officers ascertain the cost.

Following some further discussion, it was

RESOLVED:

- (a) That two members of the DUP, one member each of the UUP, Alliance and SDLP, who had not attended the event before, and the Chief Executive attend the Somme Commemorations
- (b) That Officers ascertain the cost for partners at Members' expense as well as Officers to attend the 2008 Somme Pilgrimage for the 92nd anniversary
- (c) That Members' partners travel at no cost to the Council.

2008/82 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE SOMME ASSOCIATION, DATED 28 JANUARY 2008, RE: BOOK OF HONOUR SURVEY (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

(Councillor Miss R Hughes returned to the meeting at 8.15 pm.)

2008/83 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES & PUBLIC SAFETY, RECEIVED ON 23 JANUARY 2008, RE: NORTHERN IRELAND HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

INEQUALITIES MONITORING SYSTEM – SECOND UPDATE 2007 (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/84 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE & PERSONNEL, DATED 23 JANUARY 2008, RE: THE DRAFT PRESUMPTION OF DEATH BILL (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008 (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/85 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES & PUBLIC SAFETY, DATED 23 JANUARY 2008, RE: REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT'S DECISION NOT TO FUND THE ELDERLY DAY CARE CENTRE ASPECT OF THE ENLER PROJECT (copy previously circulated)

Councillor Robinson asked to place on record that the increase in expenditure for the Enler Project from £500,000 to £2 million for the health component had been due to delays, which had been the direct result of requests from the Department for amendments to the planning application.

Noted.

2008/86 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNCILLORS NORTHERN IRELAND REGION, RECEIVED ON 14 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: NAC SPRING CONFERENCE – WHAT NOW FOR 09? (copy previously circulated)

RESOLVED : That Alderman Norris and Councillors Chambers and Henderson be authorised to attend the NAC Spring Conference – What Now for 09? on 14 March 2008, at the Glenavon Hotel, Cookstown, at a cost of £60 per delegate.

2008/87 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM RUBICON CONSULTING, DATED 5 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: EXPLORATION OF VIEWS, ISSUES AND PROPOSALS FOR EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE IN COUNCILS AFTER RPA (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2007/88 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, DATED 7 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR MEETING WITH THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT (copy previously circulated)

The Chief Executive informed Members that the Minister had declined to meet with the Council.

Noted.

2008/89 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM BALLYMENA BOROUGH COUNCIL, DATED 7 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: SUPPORT FOR RESOLUTION PASSED BY BALLYMENA BOROUGH COUNCIL (copy previously circulated)

Councillor Spratt proposed to support the resolution passed by Ballymena Borough Council unequivocally opposing the suggestion that amnesty might be considered for members of paramilitary groups. He stated that there should be no amnesty for the perpetrators of atrocities carried out during the past 30 years. Councillor Spratt added that he supported the Consultative Group on the Past and asked that a letter of support be forwarded to them.

The proposal was seconded by Councillors Long, Drysdale and Hanvey, and following some further discussion, it was unanimously

RESOLVED: That the Council write in support of the resolution passed by Ballymena Council opposing amnesty for members of paramilitary groups, and that a letter of support also be forwarded to Consultative Group on the Past.

2008/90 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 16 JANUARY 2008 FROM THE N.I. ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT RE: CHARITIES BILL (copy previously circulated)

The Mayor suggested that this correspondence should be passed to Finance & General Purposes Committee for consideration. It was noted however that the Committee would not meet before the deadline for consultation which was 5 February 2008. Accordingly, it was

RESOLVED: That, due to the imminent consultation deadline, the Mayor be authorised to respond on behalf of the Council to the Committee for Social Development re: the Charities Bill

2008/91 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ULSTER, DATED 15 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: MEMBERSHIP OF THE COURT OF THE UNIVERSITY (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/92 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE COUNCIL FOR THE CURRICULUM EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENT, DATED JANUARY 2008, RE: CELEBRATION: CCEA EMPLOYABILITY FEST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/93 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM NEWRY & MOURNE DISTRICT COUNCIL, DATED 12 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: ADVANCE NOTICE – NEWRY AND MOURNE TOURISM CONFERENCE 2008 (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/94 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM C & H JEFFERSON SOLICITORS, DATED 15 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A LICENCE AUTHORISING THE SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR ON PREMISES SITUATED AT CASTLEREAGH ROAD / MONTGOMERY ROAD, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/95 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THOMAS DOHERTY & COMPANY, DATED 8 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF BOOKMAKING OFFICE LICENCES AT 43 ROSETTA ROAD, BELFAST, UNITS 2 AND 3, INNS CROSS, 67 SAINTFIELD ROAD, NEWTOWNBRED A AND UNIT 20, CARRYDUFF SHOPPING CENTRE, CARRYDUFF (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/96 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM O'HARE SOLICITORS, DATED 11 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A BOOKMAKING OFFICE LICENCE AT UNIT 5, MILLTOWN ROAD DEVELOPMENT, MILLTOWN ROAD, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/97 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM KING & GOWDY SOLICITORS, DATED 21 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR BELVOIR PARK GOLF CLUB AT CHURCH ROAD, NEWTOWNBRED A (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/98 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM MURLANDS SOLICITORS, DATED 21 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR SHAW'S BRIDGE SPORTS ASSOCIATION AT SHAW'S BRIDGE, 123 MILLTOWN ROAD, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/99 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM CRAWFORD & LOCKHART SOLICITORS, DATED 30 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR BELFAST INDOOR BOWLS CLUB AT 115 MILLTOWN ROAD, SHAW'S BRIDGE, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/100 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM SHEAN DICKSON MERRICK SOLICITORS, DATED 29 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR NORTHERN

IRELAND CIVIL SERVICE SPORTS SOCIAL CLUB AT MAYNARD SINCLAIR PAVILION, STORMONT ESTATE, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

RESOLVED: That Officers write to Shean Dickson Merrick Solicitors to inform them that the Notice of Application for Renewal of Certificate of Registration for Northern Ireland Civil Service Sports Club at the Maynard Sinclair Pavilion, Stormont Estate, Belfast, should be considered by Belfast City Council.

2008/101 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM CAMPBELL & CAHER SOLICITORS, DATED 30 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR HYDEBANK WOOD SOCIAL AND RECREATION CLUB AT HOSPITAL ROAD, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/102 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM JOHN MCKEE & SON SOLICITORS, DATED 28 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR KNOCKBREDA PARISH FOOTBALL CLUB AT 31-35 UPPER BRANIEL ROAD, CASTLEREAGH (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/103 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM HOLMES & MOFFITT SOLICITORS, DATED 28 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR CREGAGH / WANDSWORTH ROYAL BRITISH LEGION AT MONTGOMERY ROAD, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/104 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM HOLMES & MOFFITT SOLICITORS, DATED 12 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR ROAD POLICING COMMAND UNIT URBAN CASTLEREAGH SPORTS AND RECREATION CLUB AT 2 ALEXANDER ROAD, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/105 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM E & L KENNEDY SOLICITORS, DATED 30 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR BALMORAL BOWLING CLUB AT 108C BELVOIR DRIVE, BELVOIR PARK, BELFAST (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

2008/106 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM DONALDSON MCCONNELL & CO SOLICITORS, DATED 30 JANUARY 2008, RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION

FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR MOUNT OBER GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB AT 24 BALLYMACONAGHY ROAD, KNOCKBRACKEN (copy previously circulated)

Noted.

**REPORTS / ANNUAL REPORTS
(available at Members' request)**

2008/107 : INTER-DEPARTMENTAL GROUP ON FUEL POVERTY REPORT 2007

Noted.

2008/108 : INDEPENDENT WATER REVIEW PANEL – STRAND TWO REPORT: MANAGEMENT, GOVERNANCE AND DELIVERY

Noted.

2008/109 : NORTHERN IRELAND MUSEUMS COUNCIL – MAPPING TRENDS IN NORTHERN IRELAND'S MUSEUMS – SURVEY OF MUSEUM COLLECTIONS IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Noted.

2008/110 : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES & PUBLIC SAFETY – STRATEGIC RESOURCES FRAMEWORK: HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE EXPENDITURE PLANS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND BY PROGRAMME OF CARE AND KEY SERVICES, INCORPORATING SELECTED PLANNED ACTIVITY 2007-2008

Noted.

2008/111 : THE CONSUMER COUNCIL – GETTING THROUGH TO GOVERNMENT

Noted.

2008/112 : THE REGULATION AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY – RQIA ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2006-2007

Noted.

IN COMMITTEE

2008/113 : MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14 FEBRUARY 2008 (copy previously circulated)

RESOLVED: That the following amendment be applied to Minute 2008/50: p2, para 1, line 4 - delete 'of almost £1 million'.

2008/114 : MINUTES OF THE TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2008 (copy previously circulated)

In relation to Minute T&ESC/2008/48, Councillor Robinson queried the naming of Old Dundonald Road, Hanwood Business Park. The Director of Finance agreed to investigate and report back.

In relation to Minute T&ESC/2008/55, Councillor Robinson sought clarification of the last paragraph on p5: 'The Director then informed Members that an invitation had been recently made for expressions of interest regarding Lough Moss and Billy Neill Centres'. He felt that the wording was misleading.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That, re: Minute T&ESC/2008/48, the Director of Finance investigate the naming of Old Dundonald Road, Hanwood Business Park, and report back at a future meeting;
- (b) Re: Minute T&ESC/2008/55, delete 'had been recently made for expressions of interest regarding Lough Moss and Billy Neill Centre', insert 'had recently been made for expressions of interest for the development of synthetic pitch options at the Lough Moss and Billy Neill Centres'.

(Councillors Mrs Beattie and Walker left at 8.45 pm.)

**REPORTS FROM OFFICERS
(copy previously circulated)**

Report from the Director of Leisure Services

2008/115 : ASSISTING WOMEN INTO EMPLOYMENT IN SPORT

The Director of Leisure Services advised that the Assisting Women into Employment in Sport had been achieved successfully through funding of £114,000 from the Peace II Extension funding programme. In Year 1, 19 participants had successfully completed the programme, and a further 19 were currently participating in Year 2.

Due to the programme starting later than planned, an underspend of £30,000 had been identified, and the funding body, the Training for Women Network, had asked that this money be reallocated to other programmes. The Director of Leisure Services now sought approval for 12 participants to take part in Neuro Linguistic Practitioner training, at a cost of £849 per person and at no cost to the Council.

RESOLVED: That approval be granted for 12 participants to take part in Neuro Linguistic Practitioner training, at a cost of £849 per person, with funding provided through an underspend of £30,000 in the Peace II Extension programme.

**Report from the Director of Administration & Community Services
(presented by the Director of Finance)**

**2008/116 : PEACE III 2007-2013 – THEME 1.1, BUILDING POSITIVE
RELATIONS AT THE LOCAL LEVEL**

In the absence of the Director of Administration & Community Services, the Director of Finance confirmed that a meeting had taken place on 22 February 2008 between Members from Castlereagh Borough Council and Lisburn City Council.

Members discussed the formation of the new partnership, and while the guidelines issued from the SEUPB were somewhat vague in a number of areas, particularly relating to the structure and legal status, it was agreed to proceed to develop an Area Action Plan, to be submitted to the funding body by the deadline date of 31 March 2008. In order to meet this objective, the Council representatives were of the view that the existing Good Relations Plan, which had been approved by Castlereagh Borough Council, should be implemented after it had been updated and structured in a manner suitable to draw down the Peace III funding.

Lisburn City Council had agreed to act as the lead Council in this regard and had suggested that their Consultant, Rubicon, take on this work, in order that the two area plans could be merged and submitted together as one joint proposal. Part of the process would also involve a consultation forum with the voluntary and community sectors, and an open meeting had been arranged for Friday, 7 March 2008, in the Civic and Administrative Offices.

A further meeting of the joint interim working group was due to take place on Monday, 3 March 2008, and Castlereagh representatives had been asked to seek Council approval to appoint Rubicon to produce the Local Area Plan. The Director of Finance advised that the associated cost could be reclaimed from the SEUPB.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED:

- (a) That approval be granted to appoint Rubicon as consultants to produce a Local Area Plan, to be submitted to the Peace III funding body.
- (b) That approval be granted that the existing Good Relations Plan be updated and suitably structured to draw down the Peace III funding.

- (c) That approval be granted for Lisburn City Council to act as the lead Council.
- (d) That approval be granted for a consultation forum with voluntary and community sectors to take place in the Civic and Administrative Offices on 7 March 2008.

(Councillor McCoy left the meeting at 8.45 pm.)

2008/117 : COMMUNITY FESTIVALS FUNDING

In the absence of the Director of Administration & Community Services, the Director of Finance advised that responsibility for community festival funding would be transferred to district councils with effect from 1 April 2008.

The Director referred to previous approval from the Council to include the required match-funding in the Council's budgets for 2008-2009, in order to draw down the proposed grant. Community Services Officers had been asked to develop a scheme to include public advertisement, funding criteria, application forms etc, which would be tabled at the March 2008 meeting of the Central Services Committee.

The Director sought approval to place a public advertisement in local newspapers on 6 March 2008, so that a Central Services sub-committee could assess the various applications received during April and May 2008.

Councillor Spratt suggested that some of the funding be directed to the Inter-Agency Bonfire Group, and following discussion, it was

RESOLVED: That approval be granted to Officers to place a Community Festival Funding advertisement in local newspapers.

(Councillor McCoy returned to the meeting at 8.50 pm.)

Verbal Report from the Director of Finance

2008/118 : PHASE 2 HANWOOD

The Director of Finance sought approval in principle to apply for indemnity cover for Castlereagh Borough Council, Belfast City Council and the Hanwood Trust Company Ltd through the Hanwood contractor's (T & A Kernoghan Ltd) insurance company to move subsoil to various Hanwood projects. The estimated savings to the Hanwood Trust would be approximately £200,000.

RESOLVED: That approval in principle be granted for the Director of Finance to apply for indemnity cover for Castlereagh Borough Council, Belfast City Council and the Hanwood Trust Company Ltd through the contractor's insurance company to move subsoil between the Hanwood sites and within the Hanwood project, this being subject to the subsoil being inert and free from contamination, and this arrangement being approved by the Council's solicitor.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2008/121 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ROYAL ULSTER CONSTABULARY GC FOUNDATION, DATED 18 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: LINK TO RUC GC FOUNDATION WEBSITE

RESOLVED: That approval be granted to provide a link from the Council's website to the RUC GC Foundation's website.

2008/122 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE, TRADE & INVESTMENT, DATED 19 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: INVEST NI BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Noted.

2008/123 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM QUARRY PRODUCTS ASSOCIATION, DATED 26 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: STATE OF THE ROADS CAMPAIGN

Noted.

2008/124 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES & PUBLIC SAFETY, DATED 18 FEBRUARY 2008, RE: PROPOSALS FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE REFORM

Noted.

2008/125 : RAMPS IN THE WINCHURCH AREA

Councillor Robinson sought clarification from the Roads Service if or when road ramps would be installed in the Winchurch area.

RESOLVED: That the Council write to the Roads Service requesting information if or when road ramps would be installed in the Winchurch area.

2008/126 : SECTION OF LAND ON EASTLINK ROAD NEAR THE ALL-WEATHER FOOTBALL PITCH

Councillor Robinson sought approval that the section of land on the Eastlink Road near the all-weather football pitch be vested by the Council for future use as a playground or similar.

RESOLVED: That approval be granted that the Council vest the section of land on the Eastlink Road near the all-weather football pitch.

2008/127 : EVENTS AT HANWOOD CENTRE AND ENLER

Councillor Robinson suggested that the Administration Manager provide assistance with the preparation of forthcoming events at the Hanwood Centre and Enler.

RESOLVED: That approval be granted for the Administration Manager to provide assistance with the preparation of forthcoming events at the Hanwood Centre and Enler.

2008/128 : SPORTS DINNER IN AID OF THE MAYOR'S CHARITY

Councillor Drysdale advised Members of plans to hold a sports dinner at Castlereagh Hills Golf Club in aid of the Mayor's charity, to include an auction, and Councillor Drysdale asked for sports items to be donated. He further stated that the Director of Leisure Services had agreed to provide assistance with the arrangements of the event. Councillor Drysdale continued to say that he would advise Members of the date and ticket price at the March meeting of Council.

Noted.

STAFF IN COMMITTEE

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 9.30 pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF EXECUTIVE