

## **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 23 October 2008 at 7.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillor Mrs A M Beattie (in the chair)

**ALDERMEN:** J Norris MBE  
J White

**IN ATTENDANCE:** J Beattie  
Ms J Bunting  
Mrs M Chambers  
Mrs J Cochrane  
Mrs S Duncan  
C Hall  
B Hanvey  
Miss R Hughes MBE  
T Jeffers  
M Long  
Mrs V McCoy  
G Robinson  
C Tosh  
L Walker

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Administration & Community Services, Acting Director of Leisure Services, Director of Technical & Environmental Services, Planning Officer, Planning Service Officer, and Assistant Members' Services Officer

**APOLOGIES:** An apology was received on behalf of Alderman Copeland & Rice and Councillors Drysdale, Henderson and Spratt

### **2008/667: OPENING OF MEETING**

Reverend Smyth opened the meeting with a prayer.

Noted.

### **IN COMMITTEE**

**2008/668 : DUNDONALD INTERNATIONAL ICEBOWL – RETAIL TENANCY**

The Acting Director of Leisure Services updated Members in respect of newspaper coverage of a recent court case involving a tenant of a retail outlet at the Icebowl.

Noted.

## **OUT OF COMMITTEE**

### **2008/669 : MINUTES**

RESOLVED : That

- (a) The following minutes be adopted as a true and accurate record of proceedings:
- Minutes of Council meeting of 25 September 2008
  - Minutes of Leisure Services Committee meeting of 2 October 2008
  - Minutes of Technical & Environmental Services Committee meeting of 7 October 2008
  - Minutes of Special Council meeting of 13 October 2008
- (b) The minutes of the following meetings be adopted a true and accurate record, subject to the following amendments:
- (i) Minutes of the Special Council meeting of 18 September 2008
- Minute No. 2008/610 - at final line of 4th paragraph on Page 3, delete "went" and insert "gone"
- (ii) Minutes of the Central Services meeting of 13 October 2008
- Minute No CS/2008/264 – in the last line of the minute the words "the resolution" be changed to "Item (a) of the resolution".
- (iii) Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting of 14 October 2008
- Refer Minute No F&GP/2008/314 back to the Committee for further consideration
- (c) The minutes of the meetings of the Leisure Park Board on 16 June 2008, 21 July 2008 and 18 August 2008 be noted.
- (d) The minutes of the Castlereagh Hills Golf Club Board of 20 June 2008, 18 July 2008 and 15 August 2008 be noted.

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**2008/670 : MEMBERSHIP OF APSE (Minute No 2008/645 refers)**

The Director of Finance reported that, as requested at the Council meeting of 25 September 2008, he had checked with APSE and could confirm that the Council was not a member of that body.

Noted.

**2008/671 : PRESENTATION BY THE ROADS SERVICE – EASTERN DIVISION RE: AUTUMN REPORT (copy previously circulated)**

The Mayor welcomed to the meeting Mr Kevin Monaghan, Deputy Divisional Roads Manager and Mr John Kee, Section Engineer for Castlereagh. In response to Members' queries, Mr Monaghan advised that the Divisional Roads Manager had now returned to his post after a period of absence due to illness.

Mr Monaghan highlighted a number of key aspects of the report and answered queries relating to the following matters:

- Milligans Crossroads to be treated as a priority due to continuing accidents
- Switching on of traffic lights at Primrose Hill - Roads Service had now issued legal proceedings to ensure that unfinished works including the switching on of the traffic lights were completed.
- Bus lanes to stop before the traffic lights at The Inns, Saintfield Road
- Notification of residents by utility companies prior to commencing roadworks
- Problem regarding level of standing water following resurfacing works at Upper Newtownards Road and Carrowreagh Road.
- Additional development at Glenview Park increasing problems of exiting onto Ballygowan Road – request that consideration be given to installation of traffic lights
- Reinstatement of sidepaths by utility companies after they have carried out works.
- Need for consistency by the Road Service in removing roadside signs.
- Request for additional car parking spaces to be provided at Ballybeen
- Provision of a bus turning circle at Carryduff
- Road Service asked to inspect unstable 30 mph signs on road from La Mon House Hotel to Gransha Road.
- Request that street lighting at Kilberry Park, Ballybeen, be repaired
- Request that consultation with resident be undertaken prior to adoption of Leathem Square
- Continuing problems at junction of Old Dundonald Road and Comber Road
- A-frame advertising signs creating annoyance for residents at Newtownards Road and Old Dundonald Road
- Slime and moss on part of Wanstead Avenue creating problems particularly for elderly residents.
- Monitoring by the Road Service of take up by cyclists of newly provided cycle lanes.

- Update on progress in relation to the proposed park and ride facility at Cairnshill
- Traffic calming measures at various locations including Lower Braniel, Glen Road, Cairnshill, Beechill Road
- Reappearance of circus advertisement posters at Dundonald.
- Problem with overgrown trees at Lennox Avenue.

Prior to leaving the meeting, the Roads Service representatives advised Members that they would respond in writing to any queries they had not been able to address at the meeting.

The Mayor thanked Mr Monaghan and Mr Kee for attending and the Roads Service representatives then left the meeting.

Noted.

## **PLANNING**

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

#### **2008/672 : APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN**

The Planning Service Officer advised that Planning Application Y/2008/0153/F had been withdrawn from the schedule by the applicant and Planning Application Y/2008/0167/F had been withdrawn by the Planning Service with the applicant's agreement.

Noted.

#### **2008/673 : PLANNING APPLICATION Y/2007/0071/F – 36 GALWAY PARK, CHURCH QUARTER, DUNDONALD, BT16 2AN: ERECTION OF TWO STOREY EXTENSION TO REAR OF EXISTING DWELLING (RETROSPECTIVE)**

Councillor Robinson requested deferment of this application and stated that the applicant had had to modify the extension due to the fact that it had proved necessary to bridge sewer pipes which were discovered below ground. The Planning Services Officer stated that, while planning permission had been granted for an extension, the applicant had introduced significant alterations. and there were issues of overshadowing and overlooking neighbouring properties. He advised that a deferment could not be granted in this instance.

It was proposed by Councillor Robinson and

**RESOLVED:** that the Council's request for a deferment be recorded and that, in the absence of a deferment, the Planning Service be asked to meet with the applicant prior to issuing a refusal.

**2008/674 : PLANNING APPLICATION Y/2008/0240/F – 38 GREENGRAVES ROAD, BALLYLISBREDAN, COMBER, BT16 1UZ**

The Planning Service Officer advised that the Planning Office would be deferring this application under PPS14.

Noted.

**2008/675 : WEEKLY PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR THE PERIOD 9 SEPTEMBER 2008 TO 6 OCTOBER 2008 (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**ANY OTHER PLANNING BUSINESS**

**2008/676 : ADVERTISING SIGN AT DUNLADY ROAD**

Councillor Jeffers enquired whether planning permission had been granted for a large advertisement at Dunlady Road. The Planning Services Officer noted the Council's concerns and undertook to investigate the matter.

Noted.

**ROADS**

**2008/677 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ROADS SERVICE DATED 1 OCTOBER 2008 RE: WANSTEAD AVENUE, DUNDONALD (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/678 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ROADS SERVICES DATED 12 SEPTEMBER 2008 RE: 45-57 COMBER ROAD, DUNDONALD (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/679 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ROADS SERVICE DATED 23 SEPTEMBER 2008 RE: UPPER NEWTOWNARDS ROAD, DUNDONALD – PROPOSED DISABLED PARKING BAY (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/ 680 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ROADS SERVICE DATED 26 SEPTEMBER 2008 RE: CAIRNSHILL PARK AREA, CASTLEREAGH – TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

## HOUSING

**2008/681 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE HOUSING EXECUTIVE DATED 6 OCTOBER 2008 RE: HOUSING RESEARCH BULLETIN (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/682 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF HOUSING IN NORTHERN IRELAND (CIH) DATED 6 OCTOBER 2008 RE: ENHANCING KNOWLEDGE OF HOUSING POLICY AND PRACTICE: TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR LOCAL COUNCILLORS 2008 – 21 & 22 NOVEMBER 2008 (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/683 : CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED ON 2 OCTOBER 2008 FROM THE NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE RE: OLDER PEOPLE HOUSING REVIEW ACTION PLAN 2008-2010 (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

## FINANCE

**2008/684 : ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

RESOLVED : That the Council approve the undernoted payments:

Capital Account (General)	£ 19,065.16
General Account (Salaries)	£496,743.74
General Account (Suppliers)	£797,372.49

## MAYOR/DEPUTY MAYOR'S BUSINESS

**2008/685 : MAYOR/DEPUTY MAYOR'S BUSINESS FOR OCTOBER 2008 (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

## REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

**2008/686 : UPDATE ON PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY BETWEEN GILNAHIRK ROAD AND GILNAHIRK AVENUE**

The Director of Technical & Environmental Services updated Members on issues relating to the public right of way between Gilnahirk Road and Gilnahirk Avenue (copy report prepared by the Operational Services Manager previously circulated). In response to a query by Councillor Long, the Director of confirmed that formal consultation would take place following consideration of

the matter by the Technical & Environmental Services Committee at its next meeting on 4 November 2008.

RESOLVED: that the Council agree that executive powers be given to the Technical & Environmental Services Committee in order to expedite public consultation on this matter.

### **GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE**

**2008/ 687 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DATED 10 OCTOBER 2008 RE: CONSULTATION WITH SCHOOLS ON POTENTIAL CHANGES TO THE LOCAL MANAGEMENT OF SCHOOLS COMMON FUNDING FORMULA (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/688: CORRESPONDENCE FROM LIMAVADY BOROUGH COUNCIL RE: SUPPORT FOR EOGHAN QUIGG – X FACTOR FINALIST (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/689 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE WILLIAM KEOWN TRUST DATED 1 OCTOBER 2008 RE: ABOLITION OF PRESCRIPTION CHARGES (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/690 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE NORTHERN IRELAND FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE DATED 1 OCTOBER 2008 RE: INTEGRATED RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN (IRMP) 2007/08 – REVIEW OF SECOND PUMPING APPLICANCES AT 12 FIRE STATIONS (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/691 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DATED 10 OCTOBER 2008 RE: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE DOGS LEGISLATION (copy previously circulated)**

It was proposed by Councillor J Beattie, seconded by Councillor Bunting and

RESOLVED : That this correspondence be forwarded to the Technical & Environmental Services Committee for consideration

**2008/ 692 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 23 SEPTEMBER 2008 FROM THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY NORTHERN IRELAND RE: MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY NI 2008 GALA BALL (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/693 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 19 SEPTEMBER 2008 FROM THE NORTHERN IRELAND ENVIRONMENT AGENCY RE: FORMER 'GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATIONS RADIO STATION', 209 GILNAHIRK ROAD, BALLYHANWOOD, BELFAST, BT5 7SL – LISTING OF BUILDINGS OF SPECIAL ARCHITECTURAL OR HISTORIC INTEREST(copy previously circulated)**

After discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Robinson, seconded by Councillor McCoy and

RESOLVED: That, while the Council did not support the listing of the former Government Communications Radio Station, it would request that an appropriate marker be placed on or erected at the site to commemorate the history of the building

**2008/694 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 17 SEPTEMBER 2008 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY, RE: CONSULTATION ON AN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER (ASD) STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN 2008/09 – 2010/11 (copy previously circulated)**

It was proposed by Councillor Robinson and

RESOLVED : That a copy of this correspondence be forwarded to the Tullycarnet Autism Group for its information and comment.

**2008/695 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 19 SEPTEMBER 2008 FROM NORTHERN IRELAND WATER RE: RESPONSE TO OUTSTANDING QUESTION BY COUNCILLOR HANVEY (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/696 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 23 SEPTEMBER 2008 FROM POSTWATCH (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

**2008/697 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 23 SEPTEMBER 2008 FROM THE RIVERS AGENCY RE: GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO THE INDEPENDENT FLOOD MANAGEMENT POLICY REVIEW (COPY ENCLOSED)**

Noted.

**2008/ 698 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 14 OCTOBER 2008 FROM THE VIRIDIAN GROUP LTD RE: NIE ENERGY PRICE INCREASES (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

## **ANNUAL REPORTS**

### **2008/ 699 : BELFAST TRAVELLERS – ANNUAL REPORT 2007/08**

Noted.

### **2008/700 : NILGA ANNUAL REPORT 2008 (copy previously circulated)**

Noted.

### **2008/ 701 : ROADS SERVICE ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2007/08**

Noted.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **2008/702 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 16 OCTOBER 2008 FROM THE ROADS SERVICE RE: 32 CRAIGNISH CRESCENT, DUNDONALD – PROPOSED DISABLED PARKING BAY (copy circulated at the meeting)**

Noted

### **2008/703 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 16 OCTOBER 2008 FROM THE ROADS SERVICE RE: 23 CARNCAVER ROAD, CASTLEREAGH – PROPOSED DISABLED PARKING BAY (copy circulated at the meeting)**

Noted.

### **2008/704 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 17 OCTOBER 2008 FROM THE ROADS SERVICE RE: A23 MONEYREAGH ROAD/B178 HILLSBOROUGH ROAD (MILLIGAN'S CROSSROADS) (copy circulated at the meeting)**

Noted

### **2008/705 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 22 SEPTEMBER 2008 FROM THE YARD RE: FLOODING IN MONTGOMERY ROAD (copy circulated at the meeting)**

The Chief Executive reported that he would be attending a meeting with representatives of various statutory agencies to discuss this matter. In response to a query by Councillor Bunting, he confirmed that he had responded to the Yard.

Noted.

### **2008/706 : CORRESPONDENCE FROM JOHNSONS SOLICITORS DATED 8 OCTOBER 2008 RE: GOURMET BURGERS IRELAND LIMITED – APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A LICENCE AUTHORISING THE SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR BY RETAIL IN A RESTAURANT**

**PROPERTY: UNIT 4A, EASTPOINT ENTERTAINMENT VILLAGE, OLD DUNDONALD ROAD, DUNDONALD (copy letter circulated at meeting)**

Noted.

**2008/707 : CORRESPONDENCE DATED 7 OCTOBER 2008 FROM THE ELECTORAL OFFICE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND RE: CONSULTATION ON ELECTORAL OFFICE DRAFT GOOD RELATIONS STRATEGY AND CALL RECORDING/CCTV POLICY (copy circulated at meeting)**

Noted.

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As there being was no further business the meeting concluded at 9.00 p.m.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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MAYOR