



**LEISURE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2024**

<b>No</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Summary of key Recommendations</b>
1.	Apologies	<i>Nil</i>
2.	Declarations of Interest	<b><i>Councillor N Archibald, Bateson, Kennedy, Schenning</i></b>
3.	Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 23rd January 2024	<b><i>Confirmed as a correct record</i></b>
4.	Members will receive a presentation from Causeway Connections	<b><i>Received</i></b>
5.	Pitches Strategy Review	<b><i>To recommend that Council note the Mid-Term update report on the Pitches Strategy and approve the following recommendations to be actioned over the remaining term of the strategy:</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b><i>• Remedial Works - the indicative provision suggested of £0.5m per year should be earmarked for planned preventative repair and maintenance of sports pitches within the Capital Programme;</i></b></li><li><b><i>• Prioritised Projects - the Mid Term update report should be used to revisit and inform Council's prioritised list of capital projects for sports</i></b></li></ul>

		<p><i>pitch provision. The projects highlighted above that have not been progressed could then be progressed to business case subject to affordability and Committee/Council approval;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>External Capital Grant Programme – the growing need and demand for 3G provision from underage sports teams should be considered within the design of a new external grant programme subject to affordability and Committee/Council approval; and</i></li> <li>• <i>Policy position on rubber crumb in 3G pitches – the use of rubber crumb in existing and planned 3G pitches to be kept under review and considered within future business cases and new investment decisions for Committee/Council approval.</i></li> </ul>
<p><b>6.</b></p>	<p>Small Settlements Regeneration Programme Armoy</p>	<p><i>To recommend that Council accepts the recommendation to withdraw the Planning application for the Armoy Active Travel Path and remove the project from the CRSSRP. This funding will be reallocated to other Project A proposals that can be delivered on agreement with the funders. In</i></p>

		<b>addition, the Armoyn Active Travel Path will be retained on the Capital Programme long list of projects</b>
<b>7.</b>	Tourism Events Funding Programme 24-25	<p><b>To recommend to Council</b></p> <p><b>a) That funding is awarded, under the Tourism Events Funding Programme, as outlined in Table 1, with a sliding scale applied based on scores totalling £399,989.67.</b></p> <p><b>b) That Tourism Events are permitted to build event reserves to maximise sustainability and meet the future needs of events.</b></p>
<b>8.</b>	The Glens Visitor Information Provision	<p><b>To recommend that Council approves: Appointment of Glens of Antrim Historical Society as the Causeway Coast and Glens Council's preferred candidate for the provision of Visitor Information Services at a cost of £20,000.</b></p> <p><b>This appointment would be for a twelve-month period commencing on 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025 with the option to extend for two further periods of 12 months each from 1st April, subject to satisfactory performance and council budgets.</b></p>

9.	DfE Draft Tourism Strategy Consultation Response	<b>To recommend that Council is asked to consider Annex C and recommend approval to forward this to the Tourism Strategy team at the Department for Economy, by way of a supplementary commentary from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council</b>
10.	Waterfoot Storm Damage Repairs	<b>To recommend that Council to complete on Stage 1 of the Capital Works prior to advancement of this project.</b>
11.	Whiterocks Coastal Erosion Works	<b>Information</b>
12.	Landfill Community Fund	<b>Information</b>
13.	Growth Deal Executive Programme Board Minutes	<b>Noted</b>
14.	Correspondence	<b>Information</b>
15.	Matters Reporting to the Partnership Panel	<b>Nil</b>
16.	Consultations	<b>Nil</b>
	<b>For Confidential Consideration (Items 17-22 inclusive)</b>	
17.	Generalist Advice Services Contract	<b>To recommend that Council award the tender for the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council Provision of Generalist Advice Services for the Borough from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025, with the possibility of extension for 2 further periods of one year each, subject to satisfactory delivery</b>

		<p><b>of service, to Community Advice Causeway at a maximum total annual cost of £260,487, exclusive of VAT and subject to the necessary funds being made available through the Department for Communities and Council</b></p>
18.	Growth Deal Branding	<p><b>To recommend that Council approve design 2a as the finalised design choice for the Growth Deal branding.</b></p>
19.	Small Settlements Regeneration Programme Tender Report, Gortnaghey	<p><b>To recommend that Council proceeds with Option 2 - Construction of Gortnaghey Path and the appointment of E.Quinn Civils Ltd for a contract sum of £244,412.50 (exc.VAT). It is also recommended that a contingency of 10% is added resulting in an overall figure of £268,853.75 (excluding fees). Council's total contribution to the project totals £13,992.</b></p>
20.	Perception Services Tender Report	<p><b>To recommend to Council that the contract is awarded to the CARD Group for the contract sum of £18,295 + VAT.</b></p>
21.	Energy Tender Report	<p><b>To recommend to Council that the that the contract is awarded to Action Renewables for the contract sum of £28,200 (excl. VAT).</b></p>

<b>22.</b>	HALP Maintenance Works	<b><i>to recommend that Council approve the purchase of 3 pods at Cushendall, and the refurbishment of the existing 2 pods, as a variation to the approved works agreed previously at the November Leisure and Development Committee Meeting. The total estimated cost for the project detailed within this Report remains at £31,000. The Revenue spend will be allocated to HALPs Maintenance and Repair budget</i></b>
<b>23.</b>	Any Other Relevant Business Notified in Accordance with Standing Order 12. (o)	
<b>(i)</b>	Skateboard equipment in Station Square (Councillor Holmes)	<b><i>Information</i></b>