



**LEISURE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2019**

Table of Recommendations

No	Item	Summary of key Recommendations
3.	Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 10 September 2019	Confirmed
	Matters Arising	
3.1	AORB Dunluce Centre, Portrush (Alderman Hillis) (Minute Item 13.2)	Report to November Committee meeting
4.	Mountsandel Experience	Presentation received Establish a Working Group from Leisure and Development to drive the concept
5.	Binevenagh Landscape Partnership	Presentation received Confirm support, provide match funding over 5-year period from 2020-2025 Establish a Working Group from Leisure and Development Committee

6.	Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust	Approve funding excluding £9,000 and £10,000; set target participants of at least 400
7.	Lower Bann Infrastructure Projects	Advancement to Stage 2 of the Capital works process, subject to confirmation of the projects being 100% funded
8.	Rural Development Programme, International Appalachian Trail/Causeway Coast Way Infrastructure Improvements	Advance the procurement process and to complete on Stage 2 of the Capital Works process
9.	Riverside Theatre	Provide support to the sum of £60,917 for 1 Aug 2019– 31 March 2020 Consider funding for remaining period of Cultural Strategy (2020-21) at Rate setting process
10.	Rural Business Capital Grant Scheme	Accept funding from DAERA, agree to deliver Rural Business Capital Grant Scheme
11.	Northern Ireland Business Start Up Programme	Participate in further 2-year Programme commencing Jan 2021 – Dec 2022 at

		a cost of £55,753 annually
12.	Causeway Coast and Glens Growth Deal	Formally engage with Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government to confirm Council's commitment; Establish a Working Group from Leisure & Development Committee
13.	Match Funding Request Learn to Earn	Do not match fund
14.	Grant Funding Policy Review	Add a sentence regarding claw back mechanism, to be agreed by the Director of Leisure & Development, Funding Manager and Chair
15.	Landfill Community Fund	Information
16.	Council Managed Events – Road Closure and Traffic Management Legislation	Information
17.	Correspondence	Information
18.	Matters reporting to Partnership Panel	Nil
19.	Consultations	Nil
	IN COMMITTEE (Items 20 – 24)	
20.	CCTV	Do not continue to provide Public Area CCTV

21.	Enterprise Zone Update	Information
22.	Essential Works at JDLC	Approve essential repairs to the Pool Hall ceiling in JDLC
23.	Reorganisation of Sport and Wellbeing Business Support	Agree for one FTE
24.	Reorganisation of Tourism and Recreation Events Team	Do not agree to Voluntary Severance request for Event's Manager post; Before agreeing to structure undertake a review of events and external events support
25.	Any other relevant business notified in accordance with Standing Order 12. (o)	
	25.1 Portaneevy (Councillor Baird)	Information

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF
THE LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
IN CIVIC HEADQUARTERS, COLERAINE ON
TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2019 AT 7:00 PM**

In the Chair: Councillor Callan

Members Present: Alderman Duddy,
Councillors Baird, Bateson, Holmes, McAuley,
McCaw, MA McKillop, McShane, Schenning,
Watton

Officers Present: R Baker, Director of Leisure & Development
W McCullough, Head of Sport & Wellbeing
P Thompson, Head of Tourism & Recreation
P Beattie, Head of Prosperity & Place
P O'Brien, Funding Manager
R Gillan, Coast and Countryside Manager
S Duggan, Civic Support & Committee & Member
Services Officer

In attendance: A Bratton, Binevenagh and Coastal Lowlands
Landscape Partnership
Roy Bailie, Binevenagh and Coastal Lowlands
Landscape Partnership
Ciara Lappin, Doran Consulting
Anita Doris, Cavanagh Kelly

Gallery (6 no)
Press (1 no)

SUBSTITUTIONS

Alderman McCandless substituted for Alderman Hillis.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Alderman Hillis, McCorkell, McKillop;
Councillors Knight-McQuillan and Nicholl.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest were recorded for:

Councillor Holmes Item 7 - Lower Bann Infrastructure Projects; Item 8 - RDP International Appalachian Trail/ Causeway Coast Way Infrastructure Improvements and Item 25 - AORB Portaneevy Viewing Park.

Councillor MA McKillop Item 5 - Binevenagh Landscape Partnership and Item 6 - Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust.

Councillor Schenning Item 5 - Binevenagh Landscape Partnership.

3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD TUESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2019

Matters Arising

3.1 AORB Dunluce Centre, Portrush (Alderman Hillis) (Minute Item 13.2)

Councillor Holmes queried when the report would be brought back.

The Director of Leisure and Development advised a report would be brought to the November Committee Meeting.

The Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday 10 September 2019 were confirmed as a correct record.

4. MOUNTSANDEL EXPERIENCE

Information report, previously circulated, to present the findings from work carried out to advance the Mountsandel experience concept. In October 2016 Council Officers presented an internally produced document that looked at an assessment of potential future use of Mountsandel Wood and the surrounding public amenity on both banks of the River Bann.

The study area included all of Mountsandel Wood on the eastern side of the River Bann and from the Cutts through Somerset, Riverside Park to Christie Park on the western bank.

Key Potential Opportunities

The Blueprint Document for Mountsandel identified key areas for investigation that, if realised, could be beneficial for the area. These include:

- Improved public realm facilities and natural amenity for local residents and visitors.

- An educational resource based on the historical significance of the site.
- Development of infrastructure, to drive the visitor economy and to realise regeneration for the area.

From the presented blueprint, Council agreed to investigate further the development opportunities for the study area. These included:

- Options for development concept.
- Carry out stakeholder consultation.
- Complete an Economic Appraisal for identified options.

Doran Consultants and partners Parkhood Design and Cavanagh Kelly, were awarded the contract for services, with key outputs being advancement of development options presented in the Council's Blueprint document and the completion of an Economic Appraisal.

Committee received an audio visual and PowerPoint Presentation.

Committee was presented with Options Analysis results for information within the Presentation.

Committee respectively stated their support for the concept design.

In response to a query around funding, the Head of Tourism and Recreation advised of significant constraints as well as potential funding opportunities.

Alderman Duddy suggested encouraging political input from Stormont and Westminster to drive the scheme forward and commended Mountsandel Discovery and Heritage Group.

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Alderman McCandless

- to recommend that Council establish a Working Group to work with Mountsandel Discovery and Heritage Group to drive the concept; the membership, of which, from the Leisure and Development Committee.

The Director of Leisure and Development advised a report would be brought back with draft Terms of Reference.

- * **Councillor McCaw arrived at the meeting at 7.21pm during consideration of the Item.**

5. BINEVENAGH LANDSCAPE PARTNERSHIP

- * **Councillor McKillop, having declared an Interest, left the meeting at 7.53pm.**

The Chair invited A Bratton to present via PowerPoint presentation, accompanied by R Bailie.

Report, previously circulated, to present a request from the Binevenagh & Coastal Lowlands Landscape Partnership Scheme (LPS) for support with the second stage application to the National Lottery Heritage Fund. The report detailed the background, proposals and detail of other funders.

Committee was advised the LPS Staff have calculated match contributions from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council over a five-year period for project activity, as indicated in the following table:

	Contributions from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council				
	2020/21	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five
Moors of Castlerock	£ 20,000.00				
Invasives Species	£ 10,000.00				
Downhill Demesne			£ 38,460.00		
Binevenagh and Ballycarton	£ 16,800.00	£ 16,800.00	£ 16,800.00	£ 33,600.00	
Castlerock Trails and Tales		£ 18,000.00			
Community Training and Trails	£ 20,000.00				
Built Heritage Conservation and Access Enhancement		£ 10,000.00	£ 20,000.00	£ 10,000.00	£ 20,000.00
Community Heritage Initiatives				£ 23,100.00	
Totals	£ 66,800.00	£ 44,800.00	£ 75,260.00	£ 66,700.00	£ 20,000.00

The LPS Board has requested that Council consider the funding request proposal outlined above stating an investment of £273,560 by the Council will secure resource/investment of £1,302,666 which directly benefits the Council area.

Options

- a. Council does not provide support for the Binevenagh & Coastal Lowlands Landscape Partnership Scheme. In this instance the project will not proceed to delivery phase.
- b. Council confirms its support for the delivery phase of the Binevenagh & Coastal Lowlands Landscape Partnership Scheme and agrees to provide match funding for project activity as indicated in the table over the 5 year period from 2020 to 2025.

It is recommended that the Leisure & Development Committee recommends to Council that support is provided to the Binevenagh & Coastal Lowlands Landscape Partnership Scheme as requested to facilitate the delivery phase of the project.

The Head of Tourism and Recreation confirmed the Scheme complemented Council's Destination Management Plan and the organisation.

A Bratton responded to requests for clarification surrounding posts and the masterplan.

Proposed by Councillor Watton
Seconded by Councillor Holmes and

AGREED – Council confirms its support for the delivery phase of the Binevenagh & Coastal Lowlands Landscape Partnership Scheme and agrees to provide match funding for project activity as indicated in the table over the 5 year period from 2020 to 2025.

AGREED – Council to establish a Working Group from the Leisure and Development Committee.

6. CAUSEWAY COAST AND GLENS HERITAGE TRUST

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Coast and Countryside Manger, to provide Elected Members with an update on the work of the Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust (CCGHT) that has taken place over the past 12 month period, in conjunction with Council, and to outline potential partnership arrangements for delivery of services for 2019-2020.

Committee was provided with background information, outstanding Activities not completed from 2017/2018 year and proposals.

Council Officers have developed an activity plan with identified outputs for the current financial year 2019/2020 detailed in Annex A (circulated). This builds on the existing work identified by Council's Coast and Countryside team for ongoing activity that is necessary with respect to AONB landscape management and the promotion of sustainable development for the area. The work aligns with Council's Destination Management Strategy and the CC&GHT's implementation plans. Officers would recommend a contribution of £35k to support the CC&GHT's activities within this financial year, subject to successful completion of the outputs set out in Annex A (circulated).

It is recommended that the Leisure and Development Committee are asked to consider and approve Council funding for the CC&GHT for services proposed within Annex A (circulated). This is subject to staged payments and documented satisfactory delivery of the outputs as detailed in Annex A (circulated).

Discussion ensued on the CC&GHT proposed Activities and Outputs within the report.

Councillor Holmes questioned the low outputs and whether they were challenging enough for Council. Alderman Duddy sought an explanation for the outstanding work that had not been completed for a period of 3 years.

Councillor Baird welcomed the activity to reduce vehicular congestion and requested the CC&GHT look at congestion at the Dark Hedges.

The Director of Leisure and Development updated Committee, following the September Council Meeting he had written regarding Council's concerns at the Dark Hedges. In response to Councillor Baird, the Director of Leisure and Development stated concern regarding parallel pieces of work.

Alderman Duddy referred to the financial implication of £10,000 and advised Council's budget sub-committee had withdrawn the figure. The Director of Leisure and Development advised the funding request was for the next period, however, concurred the decision of the Special Council Meeting did stand.

Councillor Schenning cited concerns, stating community groups received a much smaller sum, whilst having to achieve higher targets.

The Director of Leisure and Development confirmed a TNI report was due to be published regarding all aspects of sustainable tourism.

Alderman Duddy voiced concern for a twin track approach.

In response to participant numbers, the Coast and Countryside Manager detailed responsible Tourism, often with site constraints; events had been organised to test levels of interest and provide introductions to commercial activity providers, dependant on weather conditions. The Geo VR facility at the Coastal Zone had not been in keeping with what they had undertaken.

It was proposed by Alderman Duddy, seconded by Councillor McAuley that Council does not approve the funding for the CC&GHT for services proposed within Annex A (circulated) of £9,000, £10,000 and £3,437.

Councillor Schenning considered it was up to Council to set targets and disagreed with the removal of the £3,437 funding implication and proposed an Amendment, seconded by Councillor McCaw, that Council does not approve funding for the CC&GHT for services proposed within Annex A (circulated) of £9,000 and £10,000.

The Head of Tourism and Recreation advised the CC&GHT Board Members did not have prior sight of the document, having been initially presented to the Leisure and Development Committee.

Alderman Duddy withdrew his proposal, on the basis of the substantive proposal adding an increase in participants to 400, with the agreement of Councillor McAuley, Councillor Schenning and Councillor McCaw.

Proposed by Councillor Schenning
Seconded by Councillor McCaw

- to recommend that Council approves the funding for the CC&GHT for services proposed within Annex A (circulated), excluding £9,000 and £10,000;
- that Council set a target of at least 400 participants;
- subject to staged payments and documented satisfactory delivery of the outputs.

Councillor Watton stated consideration should be deferred for one month, supported by Councillor Baird, to receive further detail.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor Watton
Seconded by Councillor Baird

- to recommend that consideration is deferred.

The Chair put the Amendment to the Committee to vote.

2 Members voted For, 8 Members voted Against and 0 Members Abstained.

The Chair declared the Amendment **LOST**.

The Chair put the substantive proposal to the Committee to vote.

8 Members voted For, 1 Member voted Against and no Members Abstained.

The Chair declared the Motion **CARRIED**.

7. LOWER BANN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

*** Councillor Holmes left the meeting at 8.56pm.**

Report, previously circulated presented by the Head of Tourism and Recreation, to seek approval to advance to Stage 2 of the Capital Works process for three minor infrastructure projects on the Lower Bann and carry out new path works at Christie Park Coleraine.

Committee was provided with detail on the background, proposals, additional resources, options and maintenance implications.

It is recommended that the Leisure and Development Committee provides approval to advance these projects to completion of Stage 2 of the Capital Works Process, subject to confirmation of the projects being 100% funded by Rural Development, Co-operation Projects and Waterways Ireland.

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Alderman McCandless and

AGREED – to recommend that Council approves advancement of these projects to completion of Stage 2 of the Capital Works Process, subject to confirmation of the projects being 100% funded by Rural Development, Cooperation Projects and Waterways Ireland.

8. RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME, INTERNATIONAL APPALACHIAN TRAIL/CAUSEWAY COAST WAY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Tourism and Recreation, to seek approval to proceed and complete on Stage 2 (assess procurement process to appoint a contractor) for infrastructure works at a number of locations on the walking route project as part of the International Appalachian Trail (also known as North Sperrins Way , Causeway Coast Way and Moyle Way). Elected Members were also asked to agree a contribution for match funding the project, up to a maximum of £17,600. This project will be funded by the Rural Development Programme at £140,864.

Committee was provided with detail of the background, Strategic Fit, Project Proposals, Additional Resources and Maintenance Implications.

It is recommended that the Leisure and Development Committee consider providing approval for Council Officers to advance the procurement process and to complete on Stage 2 of the Capital Works process, prior to reverting to the Committee for approval to appoint the most economically advantageous tender.

AGREED – to recommend that Council approve to advance the procurement process and to complete on Stage 2 of the Capital Works process, prior to reverting to the Committee for approval to appoint the most economically advantageous tender.

9. RIVERSIDE THEATRE

Report, previously circulated, to further consider the report provided to Committee in June 2019 reviewing Council's service contract with the Riverside Theatre which expired on 31st July 2019.

Committee was provided with detail of the background, financial position and Budget Review in year savings within the report.

It is recommended that following on from the report presented to the Leisure & Development meeting on 11 June, presentation by representatives from the Riverside Theatre on 13 August, and additional Council decision in October to apply an in year reduction of 10% of the annual budget, members are requested to consider the following:

- i) Council provide financial support Ulster University's Riverside Theatre to the sum of £60,917 for the period of 1st August 2019 to 31st March 2020 through a service based contract in order to maintain the operation of the only professional, bespoke theatre venue within the Borough.
- ii) That Council consider the funding for the Riverside Theatre for the remaining period of Council's Cultural Strategy (2020-21), subject to Council's rate setting process.

* **Councillor Holmes re-joined the meeting at 9.12pm.**

* **Councillor C McShane left the meeting at 9.14pm.**

Committee respectively stated their support for Riverside, additionally, opposition to, funding the remaining period of Council's Cultural Strategy (2020-21) and remaining period of Council's term.

Proposed by Alderman McCandless
Seconded by Councillor Baird and

AGREED - to recommend that Council provide financial support Ulster University's Riverside Theatre to the sum of £60,917 for the period of 1st August 2019 to 31st March 2020 through a service based contract in order to maintain the operation of the only professional, bespoke theatre venue within the Borough.

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Councillor Schenning and

AGREED – to recommend that Council consider the funding for the Riverside Theatre for the remaining period of Council's Cultural Strategy (2020-21), at Council's rate setting process.

AGREED – to change the Order of Business, to receive CCTV, '*In Committee*' at the end of the Agenda.

* **Councillor C McShane re-joined the meeting at 9.17pm.**

10. RURAL BUSINESS CAPITAL GRANT SCHEME

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Prosperity and Place to update members on funding from Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) for the roll-out of a Rural Business Capital Grant Scheme for the financial year 2019-2020 and which may be available in subsequent years subject to post-project evaluation. (Scheme is wholly separate from the Rural Development Programme).

It is recommended that Council accepts the funding on offer from DAERA and agrees to deliver the Rural Business Capital Grant Scheme in Causeway Coast and Glens.

Members noted, that as with all funding which is given by central government, the timeline and other details included above are indicative only.

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Councillor MA McKillop and

AGREED – to recommend that Council accepts the funding on offer from DAERA and agrees to deliver the Rural Business Capital Grant Scheme in Causeway Coast and Glens.

11. NORTHERN IRELAND BUSINESS START UP PROGRAMME

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Prosperity and Place to update Members on future costs for participation in the collaborative 11 council Business Start/ "Go for It" Programme and to request commitment from Council which is required by Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council (as Lead Council) by November 2019.

Committee was provided with detail of the context, Key Annual Outputs, the Delivery Model, indicative Programme cost and indicative timeline.

It is recommended that Council agrees to participate in a further 2 year collaborative Northern Ireland Business Start-Up Programme commencing January 2021 to December 2022 at a cost to Council of £55,753 annually.

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Councillor Schenning and

AGREED – to recommend Council agrees to participate in a further 2 year collaborative Northern Ireland Business Start-Up Programme commencing January 2021 to December 2022 at a cost to Council of £55,753 annually.

12. CAUSEWAY COAST AND GLENS GROWTH DEAL

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Prosperity and Place to provide members with the available information about the Growth Deal opportunity that is available to Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and seek Members' approval to progress in principle.

It is recommended that with Council's agreement, officers formally engage with the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government to confirm this Council's commitment to a Growth Deal tailored to the specifics opportunities in this Borough.

Councillor Bateson, in his capacity as Mayor, stated his support.
Councillor Holmes suggested a Working Group be established to further direct Officers.

Proposed by Councillor Bateson
Seconded by Councillor Holmes and

AGREED - to recommend that Council Officers formally engage with the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government to confirm this Council's commitment to a Growth Deal tailored to the specifics opportunities in this Borough

- that Council establish a Working Group, the membership, of which, from the Leisure and Development Committee.

The Director of Leisure and Development advised he would bring back Terms of Reference for the Working Group.

- * **The Chair declared a recess at 9.40pm.**
- * **Press left the meeting at 9.40pm.**

- * **Councillor C McShane left the meeting at 9.40pm.**

The meeting reconvened at 9.50pm.

13. MATCH FUNDING REQUEST LEARN TO EARN

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Prosperity and Place to ask Members to consider matching funding for the Learn to Earn Programme as requested by the Roe Valley Community Education Forum.

It is recommended that the Leisure and Development Committee recommends to Council that matching funding, as outlined above, will be set aside for the period requested by Causeway Learn to Earn consortium; and that the reporting for this scheme will be captured and monitored by Prosperity and Place Staff within its usual evaluation framework.

The report further detailed the background, proposals and funding. Councillor Holmes, cognisant of the public purse, failed to support the Programme, Councillor Holmes considered there were Technical Colleges that were of overall benefit.

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Alderman McCandless

- to recommend that Council does not match fund.

Alderman Duddy referred to PEACE Impact Programme, PYDP Projects and Colleges and advised he supported the funding does not go ahead.

Councillor Baird stated her support for a network for young people, the first step on the ladder as a valued member of society and considered the funding was an insignificant contribution.

Councillor Baird queried if Council did not support the funding would the Programme fall.

The Head of Prosperity and Place advised the Department would adjust their targets accordingly.

Councillor Watton stated the funding would help some people. Councillors Schenning and MA McKillop stated their support for the funding.

The Chair ruled an Amendment proposed by Councillor Watton, seconded by Councillor MA McKillop was a direct negative.

The Chair put the proposal to the Committee to vote.

5 Members voted For, 5 Members voted Against and 1 Member Abstained.

The Chair applied a Casting Vote For.

The Chair declared the motion **CARRIED**.

14. GRANT FUNDING POLICY REVIEW

Information report, previously circulated presented by the Funding Manager to inform members that Council's Grant Funding Policy has been reviewed and no changes are being recommended for the incoming year.

Councillor Holmes questioned Council's clawback mechanism. The Funding Manager advised the Legal contract was the Letter of Offer, however, a sentence could be added, in that regard.

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Alderman Duddy and

AGREED – to recommend that Council add a sentence in to the Policy regarding a claw back mechanism, the text, of which, to be agreed by the Director of Leisure and Development, Funding Manager and Chair.

Councillor McAuley outlined concerns on behalf of community groups in connection with the grant funding process. The Funding Manager advised the Community Development team organise grant funding workshops to support the process and strongly recommended such groups make contact.

15. LANDFILL COMMUNITY FUND

Information report, previously circulated, to review the Landfill Communities Fund (LCF) Policy.

16. COUNCIL MANAGED EVENTS – ROAD CLOSURE AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT LEGISLATION

Information report, previously circulated to update Elected Members on recent legislation introduced around traffic management which has impacted on Council's delivery of events.

17. CORRESPONDENCE

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Director of Leisure and Development regarding SEUPB correspondence received from Gina McIntyre, CEO of SEUPB to provide reassurance regarding the continuation of PEACE IV funding and the future commitment to the PEACE PLUS Programme in the event of 'no deal'.

18. MATTERS REPORTING TO THE PARTNERSHIP PANEL

There were no matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel.

19. CONSULTATIONS

There were no consultation documents.

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Councillor Bateson and

AGREED – to recommend that Committee move '*In Committee*'.

20. CCTV

Report, previously circulated, presented by the Head of Prosperity and Place to ask Members for direction in relation to the continuation of service for Public Area CCTV within Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council following presentations of findings from Feasibility Study on the Public Area CCTV provision within the Borough, and subsequent Councillor workshop in 14th June 2018 and previous report to Council 14th August 2018.

Committee was provided with background information, detail of the Updated Report of Towns currently covered by Public area CCTV and Towns without public area CCTV and Definition of an Incident.

Recommendation(s):

With the research conducted and an update provided, officers request the consideration of the following:

- Does Council wish to continue to provide Public Area CCTV in the Borough?

If the answer is yes, it is recommended that:

The current provision, which is now outdated, and not fit for purpose, is paused, based on the following points:

- The provision is revisited and limited to the towns in the Borough i.e. Coleraine, Limavady, Ballycastle, Ballymoney, Portrush and Portstewart, (based on the observation in the Consultive Solutions report).
- That a joint departmental approach is taken to procuring a solution for Public Area CCTV provision for the Borough and that a project group be established to take this forward.
- Costed options are devised accordingly for Council's further consideration, based on market provisions via expression of interest, and returned to Council by January 2020. This will allow members to consider what cost provision can be made to reinstate the full service across Council's provision – both public and private – for roll out in the new financial year.

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Councillor McAuley

- to recommend that Council bring back costings on a mobile system. Debate ensued on the advantages of CCTV as a deterrent and for the reassurance of citizens; the disadvantages of the current antiquated system and that the CCTV cannot be used by PSNI to attribute to convictions.

The Director of Leisure and Development reminded Committee there was no financial contribution from PSNI.

Committee explored the merits of mobile CCTV.

Amendment

Proposed by Alderman McCandless

Seconded by Alderman Duddy

- that Council does not continue to provide Public Area CCTV in the Borough.

The Director of Leisure and Development advised he would write to PSNI to advise of the committee recommendation and whether Chief Inspector Lindsay would like to respond.

Councillor Holmes withdrew his proposal.

The Chair put the proposal by Alderman McCandless, seconded by Alderman Duddy to the committee to vote.

7 Members voted For, 2 Members voted Against and 2 Members Abstained.

The Chair declared the Motion **CARRIED**.

21. ENTERPRISE ZONE UPDATE

Confidential report, previously circulated, to provide a monthly update in relation to Atlantic Link Enterprise Campus (ALEC) activity.

22. ESSENTIAL WORKS AT JDLC

Confidential report, previously circulated. The Head of Sport and Wellbeing was available to answer questions.

It is recommended that the Leisure & Development Committee recommends to Council the approval of essential repairs to the Pool Hall ceiling in JDLC. Works to be carried out once best value has been established with the submission of minimally 3 quotations and the pools re-opened at the earliest opportunity.

Councillor McAuley expressed his frustration at the situation which had occurred on 22 September and explored calling a Special Council Meeting.

The Director of Leisure and Development explained the pool draining process, ongoing tender exercise, works and inspections thereafter.

* **Councillor Watton left the meeting at 11.10pm.**

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

AGREED – to recommend that Council approve essential repairs to the Pool Hall ceiling in JDLC. Works to be carried out once best value has been established with the submission of minimally 3 quotations and the pools re-opened at the earliest opportunity.

Members expressed concern regarding the current mechanisms available to Council to deal with urgent matters especially in relation to major Health and Safety works requiring immediate redress. Councillor Holmes suggested that delegated authority options be explored.

The Chair put the proposal to the Committee to vote.

Committee voted unanimously in favour.

The Chair declared the Motion **CARRIED**.

23. REORGANISATION OF SPORT AND WELLBEING BUSINESS SUPPORT

Confidential report, previously circulated.

It is recommended that Members agree the Voluntary Severance request for one FTE employee in the Business Support section of Sport & Wellbeing for further consideration by Corporate Policy & Resources Committee.

Proposed by Councillor Holmes
Seconded by Councillor Schenning and

AGREED – to recommend that Council agree the Voluntary Severance request for one FTE employee in the Business Support section of Sport & Wellbeing for further consideration by Corporate Policy & Resources Committee.

24. REORGANISATION OF TOURISM AND RECREATION EVENTS TEAM

Confidential report, previously circulated.

It is recommended that Elected Members:

- i. agree the Voluntary Severance request for the Event's Manager post.

Members are asked to note that; Consultation has taken place with the post holder and the individual is in agreement with the redundancy decision and consultation has taken place with the permanent staff of the Events Team in relation to future structure options.

- ii. Consider the options for a restructured Events Team and make a recommendation on the preferred approach. It is proposed that any new structure will be implemented for April 2020.

The Head of Tourism and Recreation responded to requests for clarification surrounding the structures and posts presented.

Proposed by Alderman Duddy
Seconded by Councillor Holmes

- to recommend that Council does not agree the Voluntary Severance request for the Event's Manager post;

- that Council, before agreeing to a structure, undertake a review of events and external events support Council offer.

The Chair put the proposal to the committee to vote.

6 Members voted For, 0 Members voted Against and 3 Members Abstained.

The Chair declared the motion **CARRIED**.

MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN PUBLIC'

Proposed by Alderman McCandless
Seconded by Councillor Bateson and

AGREED – to recommend that Committee move 'In Public'.

25. ANY OTHER RELEVANT BUSINESS NOTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 12. (O)

25.1 Portaneevy (Councillor Baird)

'Earlier this year Council considered plans to upgrade the Portaneevy Viewing Park two miles East of Ballintoy village. This Scheme was

surpassed by the Magheracross Plan when suitable match funding became available. Can I ask for an update on the Plans for Portaneevy which occupies a strategically important tourist site on the Antrim Coast Road? Is Planning permission necessary for the development of the site and has potential grant funding been explored'?

The Head of Tourism and Recreation advised the scheme was agreed to proceed to Capital Works Stage 2, however, it was not a Prioritised Project and had stalled, the design scheme completed and planning proposal submitted. There was the potential offer of funding from DAERA subject to match funding, an estimated £480,000 scheme would require a potential contribution from Council of between £24,000 and £48,000.

Committee was advised, if grant funding does become available, a report would be brought back.

There being no further business the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting concluded at Midnight.

Chair