Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council

To: Leisure & Development Committee

Causeway Coastal Route

14th April 2015

For Decision

6.0 Report to Committee

Linkage to Interim Corporate Plan	
Strategic Themes	Prosperity
Lead Officer	Richard Baker - Director of Leisure & Development
	Peter Thompson – Tourism Manager
Cost: (If applicable)	

The purpose of this report is to request that Members nominate one Elected Member in an advisory role for the Causeway Coastal Route Study.

6.1 Background

The Northern Ireland Tourist Board in conjunction with the Local Authorities that fall within the wider Causeway Coastal Route is currently undertaking a high level study of existing infrastructure and assessing gaps in the product with a view to making recommendations for future development intervention. The overall study includes both the Causeway Coastal Route and the Mourne Coastal Driving Route.

This study once completed will assist in providing rational and potentially providing an assessment need for development proposals. It is hoped that the recommendations of this study can be used where appropriate in future tourism infrastructure funding programmes.

The Tourist Board have asked each Council within the study catchment area to nominate an elected representative to sit on a consultative panel to review and advise on progress along with Council Officials. The time allocation from the elected representative will not be arduous, with only three or four scheduled meetings required over the next few months.

6.2 Recommendation

Officers would ask that the Leisure and Development Committee nominate one Elected Member to act in an advisory capacity as part of the work involved to complete this study.