

# COUNCIL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER 2023

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5.	Minutes of Special Council Meeting held	Confirmed and signed
	Monday 30 October 2023	as a correct record
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0.	Minutes of Council Meeting held Tuesday 7 November 2023	
	Matters Arising	
6.1	Point of Accuracy	Noted
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0.2		as a correct record
		including the point of
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		therein approved
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9.1	Concessionary Trading Sites 2024-27 –	That before the
	Goods to be sold (Ref Minute Item 8)	concessionary trading
		pitches go to auction

9.2	Adoption of the Minutes	add the condition to the licence agreement that single use plastics are banned and that containers are biodegradable; this will not be enforced for twelve months to allow current stock to be used down Adopted and recommendations therein approved including the resolution at 9.1 above
10.	Minutes of Leisure and Development held Tuesday 21 November 2023	
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11.	Minutes of Corporate Policy and Resources held Tuesday 28 November 2023	
	Matters Arising	
11.1	Point of Accuracy	Noted
11.2	Adoption of the Minutes	Adopted and recommendations therein approved
12.	Matters for reporting to the Partnership Panel	Nil
13.	Conferences	None
13.		None
14.	Correspondence	That Council request an extension to the deadline and respond to the correspondence with some of the comments I have made around that essential criteria.
15.	Consultation Schedule	Noted
16.	Seal Documents	Seal Affixed

17.	Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Peacock	Referred to Leisure and Development Committee
18.	Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Kyle, seconded by Councillor Jonathan McAuley	Referred to Corporate Policy and Resources Committee
19.	Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Alderman Knight- McQuillan, Councillor C Archibald, Councillor Bateson and Councillor Huggins	Referred to Leisure and Development Committee
	<i>'In Committee'</i> (Item 20 inclusive)	
20.	Essential Changing Places Compartments At Rathlin And Megaw Park, Ballymoney – Stage 3 Progression – Construction Phase	That Council approve that Officers appoint the (most economically advantageous bidder), Main Contractor, herein referred to as Messrs. JD Building Repairs Limited for each of the said locations, herein noted as, a. Megaw Park, Ballymoney at a tendered sum of £46, 721.00 + VAT, and b. Rathlin Island, (subject to private land owner agreement), at a tendered sum of £71, 121.00 + VAT.
		the expenditure as detailed herein within the first page of this report item, under, 'cost of proposal', with an overall sum of £135, 746.20p + VAT.

#### MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER 2023 AT 7.00PM

In the Chair :	The Mayor, Councillor Callaghan (C)
Present :	Alderman Boyle (C), Callan (C), Coyle (C), Fielding (C), Hunter (R), Knight-McQuillan (C), John McAuley (C), S McKillop (C), Scott (R), Stewart (C)
	Councillors Anderson (C), C Archibald (C), Bateson (R), Chivers (R), Holmes (R), Huggins (C), Kane (C), Kennedy (C), Kyle (R), Mairs (C), Jonathan McAuley (C), McCully (C), McGlinchey (C), McGurk (C), MA McKillop (C), McMullan (C), McQuillan (C), McShane (R), Nicholl (R), Peacock (R), Schenning (C), Stirling (C), Wallace (R), Watson (C), Watton (C), Wilson (R), Wisener (R)
Officers Present :	D Jackson, Chief Executive (C) M Quinn, Director of Corporate Services (R) A McPeake, Director of Environmental Services (C) D Hunter, Senior Council Solicitor (R) D Wright, Chief Finance Officer (R) P Donaghy, Democratic & Central Services Manager (R) J Welsh, Head of Community & Culture (R) P O'Brien, Head of Funding (R) S Gamble, Corporate Communications & PR Manager (R) J Keen, Committee & Member Services Officer (C) I Owens, Committee & Member Services Officer (R)
In attendance :	J Cole-Hamilton, Executive Director Championships, R&A (C) R Oxley, Director, Public Affairs, R&A (C)
	A Lennox, Mobile Operations Officer (C) C Thompson, ICT Operations Officer (C)
	Press (1 No) (R) Public (1 No) (R)
<u>Key</u> –	<ul><li>C = Attended in the Chamber</li><li>R = Attended Remotely</li></ul>

The Chief Executive undertook a roll call.

The Mayor opened the meeting and extended a welcome to members of the press and public in attendance and provided guidance in relation to Council's Remote Meetings Protocol and audio recordings.

## 1. THE MAYOR'S BUSINESS

The Mayor provided a summary of his key engagements and highlights since last Council Meeting as follows:

It has been relatively busy but quiet. I would like to thank the Events team for sorting out the four major Christmas events, I think they went fairly well with good turnout across the Borough. During the month since the last election I have represented Council at 47 events and once again I would like to thank the Deputy for the assistance during this time.

The Deputy Mayor stated:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate my own club Ruairí Ogs on winning the Ulster Championship at the weekend and wish them all the best on 17<sup>th</sup> January as they take on Loughan Gaels, Kilkenny in the All-Ireland campaign. Thank you, Mayor.

Alderman Knight McQuillan stated:

Mayor with your indulgence I would like to pass on congratulations to Coleraine Grammar on the winning of the competition which took place recently at the mock trials at the Bar. They have won the regional heat for Northern Ireland and will be going forward to the UK to take part in the mock trials at the Old Bailey. This is the first time the school have won the competition or had a good result since the amalgamation of Coleraine High School and Coleraine Academical Institution, and in fact they were mentored or assisted in preparations by a former pupil of Coleraine High School Nadine Knight, so I think it is something that is worth noting and thank you for your indulgence to allow me to pass that congratulations on.

## \* Councillor Chivers joined the meeting remotely at 7.08pm

## 2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Councillor N Archibald and Councillor Storey.

## 3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Declarations of Interest were recorded for:

Councillor Schenning in Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 November 2023 Item 8 – Annual Grant Funding Programmes, as working in LCDI and LCDI apply for grants, a non pecuniary interest. Having declared an interest, Councillor Schenning did not leave the meeting and did not participate in the Item.

Alderman Hunter in Minutes of Environmental Services Committee meeting held Tuesday 14 November 2023 Item 8 – Concessionary Trading Sites 2024-

27 – Goods to be sold. Having declared an interest, Alderman Hunter did not participate in the Item.

\* Councillor Bateson joined the meeting remotely at 7.12pm

### 4. DEPUTATION - R&A JOHNNIE COLE-HAMILTON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHAMPIONSHIPS AND ROBERT OXLEY, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC AFFAIRS IN ATTENDANCE

The Mayor welcomed the representatives from R&A.

R Oxley introduced R&A as an organisation and what they do; he highlighted the economic impact of the Open; the sustained growth in golf tourism and how R&A value the relationship with the relevant partners including Council, PSNI, Northern Ireland Executive and Tourism NI.

J Cole-Hamilton provided an overview of what is involved in organising an Open event and what happens during the event including sustainability issues such as not using single use plastics.

In response to questions from Elected Members, J Cole-Hamilton advised there was significant cost to running The Open event; the income generated was also significant and that all money made by R&A goes to developing the game. J Cole-Hamilton also confirmed that the policy on single entry to The Open event had been revised; the plan was to allow free movement in to, and out of, the venue. He explained the policy was in place due to unofficial hospitality; the policy will be reviewed again if unofficial hospitality becomes an issue. J Cole Hamilton concluded that The Open in 2019 was an incredible experience and that he hoped to see Elected Members at The Open in 2025.

- \* Representatives of R&A left the Chamber at 7:34pm.
- \* The Chief Executive left the Chamber at 7:34pm.

# 5. MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 30 OCTOBER 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

Proposed by Councillor Watton Seconded by Councillor McAuley and

**RESOLVED** – that the Minutes of the Council meeting held Monday 30 October 2023, were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

## \* The Chief Executive returned to the Chamber at 7:37pm.

## 6. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

## Matters Arising

## 6.1 Point of Accuracy

# Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor C Archibald, seconded by Councillor McShane (Ref Minute Item 19) (ref Minute 11.1)

Alderman Fielding cited from paragraph 3, Item 11.1 on page 19 and stated a point of accuracy to the wording of his motion, to replace '*support*' with '*proceed*'.

- That Council conducts a full equality impact assessment before it agrees to support proceed Pride parade/festival and holds a workshop on the implications for Council's events team.

Council NOTED the Point of Accuracy.

#### 6.2 Adoption of the Minutes

Proposed by Alderman Fielding Seconded by Councillor MA McKillop and

**RESOLVED** – that the Minutes of the Council meeting, held Tuesday 7 November 2023, were taken as read and signed as a correct record including the point of accuracy at 6.1 above.

### 7. MINUTE OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

Proposed by Councillor McMullan Seconded by Councillor McGlinchey and

**RESOLVED** – that the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held Wednesday 25 October 2023 are received and noted.

# 8. MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD THURSDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

Proposed by Councillor Peacock Seconded by Councillor McQuillan and

**RESOLVED** – that the Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held Thursday 9 November 2023, are adopted and recommendations therein approved.

## 9. MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

## Matters Arising

# 9.1 Concessionary Trading Sites 2024-27 – Goods to be sold (Ref Minute Item 8)

Councillor Kane stated that waste and rubbish were discussed at the Environmental Services Committee and banning the use of single use plastics.

Proposed by Councillor Kane Seconded by Councillor Schenning and

**RESOLVED –** That before the concessionary trading pitches go to auction add the condition to the licence agreement, that single use plastics are banned and that containers are biodegradable; this will not be enforced for twelve months to allow current stock to be used down

In response to questions, the Director of Environmental Services advised that it was not in legislation yet to ban the use of single use plastics; it may be coming in soon.

#### 9.2 Adoption of the Minutes

Proposed by Alderman Fielding Seconded by Councillor MA McKillop and

and

**RESOLVED** – that the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting held Tuesday 14 November 2023, are adopted and recommendations therein approved including the Resolution at 9.1 above.

## 10. MINUTES OF LEISURE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HELD TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

#### Matters Arising 10.1 PEACE Plus Local Action Plan

Councillor MA McKillop raised concern about the wording in relation to Layde path; she queried if there were any changes to the asserted public Right of Way as the work that had been completed to date had been maintenance which was included in the agreement. She stated that it was her understanding that Ronan's Way and Cottage Wood was to be included in the agreement.

The Chief Executive stated that his understanding was query lay with land ownership and he was not clear on the precise status of this path, whether it was a Public Right of Way or a Permissive Path; Council are allowed to maintain what was there, but with the land owners permission that Council complete enhancement works. He advised this project requires enhancement and this was why work is required with the land owner to progress the project. All the projects will go through the required stages of capital works programmes, there will be opportunity to test and adjust, this the initial bid for the overall Peace funding.

### **10.2 Adoption of the Minutes**

Proposed by Councillor Bateson Seconded by Alderman Callan

and

**RESOLVED** – that the Minutes of the Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 November 2023, are adopted and recommendations therein approved.

### 11. MINUTES OF CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2023

Copy, previously circulated.

#### Matters Arising

#### **11.1 Point of Accuracy**

Notice of Motion Proposed by Councillor Stirling, Seconded by Councillor Huggins, referred from Council Meeting 7 November 2023 (Ref Minute Item 4)

Councillor Huggins stated she wished to make a small amendment to the minutes and cited the following paragraph:

"Councillor Huggins said she wished to endorse the remarks made by Councillor Stirling saying she was a proud Veteran who had 28 years of service. She spoke of MACC (Military Aid to Civilian Community) organisation who provide ongoing assistance to those who served in wars and Veteran clubs who look after fitness and mental health and should be recognised as part of this Motion. Councillor Huggins said she wished to give her full support to Councillor Stirling's proposal".

Councillor Huggins wished to amend to read the following:

"Councillor Huggins said she wished to endorse the remarks made by Councillor Stirling saying that she was a proud veteran who had served her country for 28 years. She spoke of the Army's ongoing MACC (Military Aid to Civilian Communities) commitment as well as also recognising those many Veteran Clubs in the CC&G area who are a great asset to Veterans with their fitness and wellbeing activities. Councillor Huggins said she wished to give her full support to Councillor Stirling's proposal".

Council NOTED the comments.

## **11.2 Adoption of the Minutes**

Proposed by Councillor Nicholl Seconded by Councillor C Archibald and

**RESOLVED** – that the Minutes of the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee meeting held Tuesday 28 November 2023, are adopted and recommendations therein approved including the point of accuracy noted above at Item 11.1.

## 12. MATTERS FOR REPORTING TO THE PARTNERSHIP PANEL

There were no matters to report to the Partnership Panel.

The Chief Executive advised that Councillor Peacock and himself attended a Shadow Partnership meeting on the morning of 5 December 2023.

## 13. CONFERENCES

There were no conferences.

#### 14. CORRESPONDENCE

(i) James Redmond, Head of Transport Planning and Modelling, Department for Infrastructure, dated 6 November 2023

Copy previously circulated.

## (ii) Stephen Reid, Chief Executive Ards and North Down Borough Council, dated 20 November 2023

Copy previously circulated.

(iii) Marie Ward, Chief Executive, Newry Mourne and Down District Council dated 20 November 2023 (copy attached)

Copy previously circulated.

**RESOLVED –** That Council note the correspondence.

# (iv) Chris Heaton Harris MP, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, dated 20 November 2023

Copy previously circulated.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that Council consider the correspondence.

Councillor Peacock noted that the deadline to respond to this correspondence was 4 December 2023, Elected Members did not have enough time to consider this correspondence and respond to the consultation request. She stated the correspondence included changes to the criteria for recruiting Independent Members to PCSP and this change in essential criteria would significantly limit the number of candidates that may be able to apply, particularly the part in relation to financial experience of financial management. Councillor Peacock stated PCSP find it difficult to recruit Independent Members and this was another hurdle that should not be included, as it was not essential for the role, many people would be excluded who have much to add to the Partnership.

Proposed by Councillor Peacock Seconded by Councillor McQuillan and

**RESOLVED** - That Council request an extension to the deadline and respond to the correspondence with some of the comments I have made around that essential criteria.

Councillor Watton commented that the criteria would not affect him as he would not be part of the PCSP as a Councillor or Independent Member, nor would people like him.

## 15. CONSULTATION SCHEDULE

Consultation schedule, previously circulated, presented as read.

- Department of Education Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) Consultation Closed 24 November 2023 Extension granted to 12 December 2023
- Department of Finance Notification of extension of closing date Building Regulations consultation on energy efficiency requirements and related areas submission by 15 December 2023
- (iii) Department of Finance Consultation on Non-domestic and Domestic rating measures to support budget sustainability by raising additional revenue submission by 13 February 2024
- (iv) Department of Health Strategic Framework to Prevent the Harm caused by Obesity, and Improve Diets and Levels of Physical Activity submission by 16 February 2024
- (v) Department of Health Launch Of Consultation Proposed Regional Obesity Management Service for Northern Ireland submission by 16 February 2024
- (vi) Department of Justice Anti-social behaviour consultation submission by 4 March 2024

## Available to View

- (i) Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) EQIA Screening Document - NISRA's Outputs Policy
- (ii) DAERA Quarterly Screening Report 01 July 30 September 2023

## **Open Consultations (previously Listed)**

- Department for Communities Consultation on Private Tenancies Act 2022 Section 8 Smoke, Heat and Carbon Monoxide Alarms – submission by 6 December 2023
- Department for Communities Consultation on Private Tenancies Act 2022 Section 10 Electrical Safety Standards – submission by 6 December 2023
- Department for Communities, Consultation on the Pensions (Extension of Automatic Enrolment) Bill submission by 11 December 2023
- The Local Government Staff Commission for Northern Ireland Trans Equality Policy – submission by 19 January 2024
- Ulster University Equality screening of Ulster University's new and revised policies submission by 5 February 2024.

## 16. SEAL DOCUMENTS

Members were advised of the undernoted items for signing and sealing by Council, approval having been previously granted and all necessary legislative requirements being met.

- (i) Grave Registry Certificates, No's 5679 to 5692;
- Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and PPP Group Tyre Recycling Ltd – the provision of waste services for the collection of tyres and rims (Ref ES 230912/CM 231003);
- (iii) Agreement Relating to Advance for Purchase of Car Ref. 132-2109;
- (iv) Easement Dungiven, Main Street Car Park, Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council to Magheraboy Developments Limited (Ref L&P SC 230906, CP&R 230926, CM 231003);
- (v) Deed of Conveyance Limavady, Protestant Street Car Park Department for Infrastructure to Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council.

Proposed by Councillor Kane Seconded by Alderman Callan and

**RESOLVED –** that the Sealing of documents, as listed, be approved (Items i-v)

## 17. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR MCQUILLAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR PEACOCK

I propose a motion that in line with sport and wellbeing that a grant programme is created to encourage and facilitate local sporting organisations to specifically help the mental health and wellbeing in the causeway coast and glens area.

I propose the grant and funding unit look into the expense of the creation of this grant. Already partnering with the trust on various mental health projects this would broadening our outreach.

The Mayor referred the Notice of Motion, without discussion, to the Leisure and Development Committee.

## 18. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR KYLE, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JONATHAN MCAULEY

That Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council recognises the exemplary 70 years of service rendered by the late Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, as the United Kingdom's longest reigning monarch.

We are also very proud that the Late Monarch visited our Borough 5 times between 1953 and 2016, in which she included the unveiling of sergeant Robert Quigg VC statue in Bushmills, within my own constituency, which was to be her last visit.

In recognition of her shining example of exemplary selfless service, we the undersigned propose that a substantial permanent memorial be commissioned and located within the Borough and be in situ before or during 2026. We believe that the memorial should depict Queen Elizabeth II during her coronation and that ideally it would be located in a prominent and visible location.

We further propose that officers prepare a report, taking this matter forward, to include options for design, location, consultation with appropriate groups and identification of a suitable budget as part of the estimates process.

This Statue will be a fitting tribute by the people of the Borough to the late Monarch, whose service to our country may never be matched again.

The Mayor referred the Notice of Motion, without discussion, to the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee.

## 19. NOTICE OF MOTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOLMES, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN KNIGHT-MCQUILLAN, COUNCILLOR C ARCHIBALD, COUNCILLOR BATESON AND COUNCILLOR HUGGINS

Garvagh Development Trust was established in 1997 as a registered charity and owns and runs the B1 listed GADDA building at 85 Main Street, Garvagh. The building acts as a community hub, directly employing 8 people and a total of 33 people work in the various businesses located within the premises and 400 people use the building weekly. Recently GDT ran the successful Forestry School.

GDT now find themselves in a critical financial situation due to loss in funding sources, grant income and rising costs, particularly in relation to power, oil and insurance.

The business model needs to be urgently reviewed but to give them the space to do this they need a cash injection.

This motion requests a £20,000 loan be provided to GDT and delegates authority to officers to agree interest rate, repayment terms and security. A business recovery plan should be presented to officers and councillors within 3 months of this council meeting.

The Mayor advised Council that the intention was to hear this Notice of Motion at this Council meeting, but Councillor Holmes requested it be referred to Leisure and Development Committee.

The Mayor invited Councillor Holmes to speak.

Councillor Holmes stated that, given the queries and circumstances over the last few days it was better to refer the Motion to Leisure and Development, where more time could be given to consider it. Councillor Holmes requested that the Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer make themselves available at the Leisure and Development Committee.

The Chief Executive confirmed his attendance.

## MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'

Proposed by Alderman Knight McQuillan Seconded by Alderman Callan and

**RESOLVED –** that Council move 'In Committee'.

\* Press and Public were disconnected from the meeting at 7.54pm

The information contained in the following item is restricted in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014.

## 20. ESSENTIAL CHANGING PLACES COMPARTMENTS AT RATHLIN AND MEGAW PARK, BALLYMONEY – STAGE 3 PROGRESSION – CONSTRUCTION PHASE

Confidential report by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014.

Confidential report, previously circulated, presented by the Director of Environmental Services.

#### **Purpose of Report**

To request Members consideration and approval to progress the required works to Stage 3 of the capital procurement gateway, 'Construction phase', following a competitive public tender campaign in which officers have identified the most economically advantageous tenderer to carry out the required infrastructure works associated with the capital project herein referred to as, "Essential Changing Places Compartments at, Megaw Park, Ballymoney & Rathlin Island".

Please refer to Appendix A (circulated) within this report item identifying the location of each site herein referred to.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that Members consider and approve of Officers to appoint the (most economically advantageous bidder), Main Contractor, herein referred to as Messrs. JD Building Repairs Limited for each of the said locations, herein noted as, a. Megaw Park, Ballymoney at a tendered sum of £46, 721.00 + VAT, and b. Rathlin Island, (subject to private land owner agreement), at a tendered sum of £71, 121.00 + VAT.

It is recommended that Members consider and approve of the expenditure as detailed herein within the first page of this report item, under, 'cost of proposal', with an overall sum of  $\pounds$ 135, 746.20p + VAT.

Councillor McShane and Councillor Kane both provided positive comments about the Changing Places facilities and how Council have embraced this initiative.

In response to questions, the Director of Environmental Services advised that timescales for drawing down funding could be met. In response to queries about the land ownership on Rathlin, the Director of Environmental Services advised there had been no issues to date and did not foresee any issues in the future.

Proposed by Councillor McShane Seconded by Councillor Kane and

**RESOLVED –** that Council approve that Officers appoint the (most economically advantageous bidder), Main Contractor, herein referred to as Messrs. JD Building Repairs Limited for each of the said locations, herein noted as, a. Megaw Park, Ballymoney at a tendered sum of £46, 721.00 + VAT, and b. Rathlin Island, (subject to private land owner agreement), at a tendered sum of £71, 121.00 + VAT;

That Council approve the expenditure as detailed herein within the first page of this report item, under, 'cost of proposal', with an overall sum of £135, 746.20p + VAT.

#### MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN PUBLIC'

Proposed by Councillor Kane Seconded by Alderman Boyle and

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

This being all the business, The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and wished them a happy Christmas and New Year and the meeting concluded at 8.03pm

Mayor