

<b>Civic Memorabilia</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> April 2017</b>
<b>Corporate Policy and Resources Committee For decision</b>	

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)</b>	
<b>Strategic Theme</b>	Leadership and Champion
<b>Outcome</b>	Providing civic leadership to our citizens
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Director of Performance
<b>Cost: (If applicable)</b>	

## **1.0 Purpose of report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Members on the work of the Armorial Bearings Sub-Committee in relation to legacy Mayors' portraits currently displayed in civic buildings and to enable Committee to make recommendation to Council.

## **2.0 Background**

- 2.1 When the 4 Legacy Councils merged in 2015 and the Civic Headquarters of the newly formed Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council was located in Coleraine legacy civic photographs including portraits of former Mayors remained in the Civic Headquarters of the Legacy Councils until arrangements could be made to consider their future.
- 2.2 In March 2017 Council approved the Policy for Dealing with Legacy Memorabilia.
- 2.3 Under the Policy previously approved by Council, the Sub-Committee determines the future of items of civic memorabilia and makes recommendation to the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee.

## **3.0 Sub-Committee Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

- 3.1 At its meeting in March 2017 the Sub-Committee requested that details of the former Mayors' portraits displayed in Civic Buildings be brought to it for consideration. The Sub-Committee met on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April. Councillors

McCandless, Knight-McQuillan and Beattie were in attendance. Apologies were recorded for Councillor Nicholl and Callan.

- 3.2 An inventory of legacy Mayors' portraits was presented to the Sub-Committee. A total of 76 portraits exist, 53 of which are currently displayed in civic buildings in Ballycastle, Ballymoney and Limavady. The former Coleraine Borough Council Mayors' portraits are in storage in Cloonavin.
- 3.3 Following the presentation the Sub-Committee considered the options available under the Policy taking into account the Council's Estates Strategy and the time that has passed since the 4 legacy Councils merged in 2015.

#### **4.0 Recommendation**

- 4.1 It is recommended that Council removes the legacy Mayors' portraits currently displayed in Council's civic buildings and, arrangements are made to offer the portraits to the individuals or to their relatives having first sought expressions of interest by appropriate notice on the Council's website. Any remaining portraits to be given into the custody of the Council's Museum Service.