

<b>Storage of Museum Exhibits</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> May 2017</b>
<b>Corporate Policy and Resources Committee</b>	

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)</b>	
<b>Strategic Theme</b>	Innovation and Transformation
<b>Outcome</b>	Improved service efficiency
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Head of Corporate Performance and Compliance
<b>Cost: (If applicable)</b>	N/A

### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the temporary storage of Museum Exhibits in Sheskburn House to allow the basement in Cloonavin to be cleared for Planning files.

### **2.0 Background**

As part of the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council Estates Strategy, the Planning staff are relocating to Cloonavin. This is scheduled for the end of July 2017. Included in the relocation plan will be the transfer of all the planning files which are currently stored in the basement in County Hall. The Planning Staff will need access to these files on a daily basis and work is now underway to clear the basement in Cloonavin.

To date a large area of the Cloonavin basement has been cleared but there still remains floor space containing museum exhibits. These exhibits have a range of financial and historical value and need to be relocated to another building that is suitably secure and environmentally stable.

### **3.0 Detail**

The longer term storage and exhibiting of museum items remains to be decided but a short term solution is required to enable the transfer of the planning files to Cloonavin.

As part of the Estates Strategy a report will be presented to the Council on option for the future use of the Legacy Council, Council chambers. In the interim the available space in the Council chambers is a very important resource in enabling storage of equipment and files during the staff relocation process. It is suggested that the museum exhibits are moved to the Council chamber in Sheskburn House

as a temporary arrangement to enable the transfer of the planning files to Cloonavin.

**Recommendation**

**It is recommended** that Council approves the use of the Council chamber in Sheskburn House for the temporary storage of museum exhibits.