

# ANTRIM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of a Meeting of the **Community Planning Committee** of Antrim Borough Council held in The Round Tower Chamber, Antrim Civic Centre, 50 Stiles Way, Antrim on **Thursday 11 February 2010** at **3.50 pm**.

In the Chair : Councillor O C J Keenan

Members Present : Aldermen -

S Dunlop  
R J Loughran  
M Rea

Councillors -

A K Brady  
T Clarke  
H J Cushinan  
D R J Ford  
P Lewis  
M Lucas  
S Nicholl  
J Smyth

In Attendance : Chief Executive  
Committee Clerk (*M Aiken*)

Apologies : Councillors -

T A Burns  
A D Cochrane-Watson  
B Graham  
D Kinahan  
A A Lawther  
A Logue  
D Ritchie

**NOTED:** Members were invited to attend a Community Planning Event to be held on Friday 26 February 2010 from 10am until 4pm at Mossley Mill, Newtownabbey.

**COMMUNITY  
PLANNING EVENT  
FRIDAY 26  
FEBRUARY  
MOSSLEY MILL  
NEWTOWNABBEEY**

**NOTED:** consultation document on the Housing Bill (Northern Ireland) from the Department for Social Development, copies of which had been circulated, together with draft response.

**THE HOUSING  
BILL (NORTHERN  
IRELAND)**

**AGREED:** to submit comments as outlined in the draft reply circulated by the closing date of 26 February 2010.

Aldermen Dunlop and Rea and Councillor Lewis joined the Meeting at 3.52 pm.

### ***Transition Committee Minutes***

**NOTED:** Minutes of Transition Committee Meeting of 12 January 2010, copies of which had been circulated.

**REVIEW OF  
PUBLIC  
ADMINISTRATION**

Alderman Loughran joined the Meeting at 3.53 pm; Councillor Lucas left at 3.54 pm and Councillors Clarke and Smyth joined at 3.55 pm.

### ***Collaboration Option***

The Chief Executive advised Members that the recommendation from the PWC report for a Business Service Organisation had been rejected with a Collaboration Option suggested as an alternative.

A paper in this respect would be brought before the Transition Committee possibly in March following which Members would be kept informed.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**NOTED:** that the Northern Ireland Housing Executive Draft Corporate and Business Plans for 2010-2013 were now available.

**NIHE DRAFT  
CORPORATE AND  
BUSINESS PLANS  
FOR 2010-2013**

Members were asked to inform Officers of any comments they wished to submit before the closing date of 15 March 2010.

**NOTED:** brochure entitled '*Hitting the Housing Challenge Head On*' received from the Department for Social Development was available for perusal by Members.

**'HITTING THE  
HOUSING  
CHALLENGE HEAD  
ON' BROCHURE  
FROM DSD**

**AGREED:** unanimously that, following representation by Alderman Rea, Council support the All Party Assembly Group for Autism in putting forward a Private Members Bill for Autism.

**AUTISM  
SPECTRUM  
DISORDER**

There being no further business the Meeting concluded at 4.06 pm.

**Mayor**

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**Chief Executive**

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**Date**

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