

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 14 January 2010** at **2.47 pm**.

In the Chair : Councillor O C J Keenan

Members Present : Aldermen -

S Dunlop
M Rea

Councillors -

A K Brady
T A Burns
T Clarke
H J Cushinan
D R J Ford
B Graham
D Kinahan
A A Lawther
P Lewis
A Logue
M Lucas
S Nicholl
J Smyth

In Attendance : Chief Executive
Mrs Jacqueline McNeill, Patient & Client Council
Committee Secretary (*M Aiken*)

Apologies : Alderman R J Loughran

Councillors -

A D Cochrane-Watson
D Ritchie

CONSULTATION: document circulated on the Draft Palliative and End of Life Care Strategy for Northern Ireland was welcomed. Members felt the Minister's plans would be beneficial for the whole community.

**CONSULTATION
ON DRAFT
PALLIATIVE AND
END OF LIFE
CARE STRATEGY
FOR NORTHERN
IRELAND**

NOTED: report circulated from the Members' Policy Conference on 3 December 2009, the final paragraph on Page 10 of which would be amended to read *The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Lawther, thanked the CEO ...*.

**REPORT FROM
MEMBERS'
POLICY
CONFERENCE ON
3 DECEMBER 2009**

CONSULTATION: on 'Everyone's Involved' Sustainable Development Strategy had been circulated together with draft of response by NILGA and draft of a proposed response by Council for consideration.

**SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY
CONSULTATION**

AGREED: that the draft proposed response by Council, as circulated, be submitted before the closing date of 15 January 2010.

NOTED: Minutes of Transition Committee Meeting held on 8 December 2009, copies of which had been circulated.

**REVIEW OF
PUBLIC
ADMINISTRATION**

The Chief Executive highlighted the Department's intention to introduce a planning pilot in the Antrim and Newtownabbey Cluster area which was to be welcomed as a new Area Plan for Antrim was long overdue.

NOTED: staff to be informed if any Member wished to attend a Community Planning Workshop to be held in Newry on 3 February 2010 at a cost of £30 per delegate.

**COMMUNITY
PLANNING
WORKSHOP -
NEWRY
3 FEBRUARY 2010**

INTERVAL

There was an interval at 3 pm with the Meeting reconvening at 3.25 pm. All Members present prior to the interval resumed their seats with the exception of Councillors Burns and Kinahan.

The Chairman welcomed Mrs Jacqueline McNeill, Area Manager for the Northern Area Office of the Patient and Client Council.

**ATTENDANCE BY
JACQUELINE
McNEILL OF
PATIENT AND
CLIENT COUNCIL**

Mrs McNeill explained that the Patient and Client Council came into effect in April 2009 and replaced the previous Health and Social Care Council. At present the Northern Area Office was based in Broughshane but it was hoped to relocate to Antrim if suitable premises could be found, preferably on the high street.

Details were given of the Council's statutory functions and values, external environment, make up, landscape in which it operated and the current key work streams in which it was involved.

From the questions and answers which followed Mrs McNeill agreed to forward details of the Council's budget for Members' information.

There being no further questions the Chairman thanked Mrs McNeill for attending and the Meeting concluded at 4.00 pm.

Mayor

Chief Executive

Date
