

# 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 8 July 2010** at **3.53 pm**.

In the Chair : Councillor O C J Keenan

Members Present : Aldermen -

S Dunlop  
M Rea

Councillors -

B Graham  
N Kelly  
P Lewis  
A Logue  
M Lucas  
P Michael  
S Nicholl  
D Ritchie  
J Smyth

In Attendance : Deputy Chief Executive  
Director of Development and Leisure  
Committee Clerk (*M Aiken*)

Apologies : Councillors -

A D Cochrane-Watson  
H J Cushinan  
A A Lawther  
R J Loughran

Chief Executive

**Transition Committee Minutes of 15 June 2010 -**

**NOTED:** Minutes of the Transition Committee Meeting held on 15 June 2010, copies of which had been circulated.

The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for September 2010, in anticipation of further guidance from the Department of the Environment, to consider progress of the collaboration and efficiency work.

**NOTED:** letter dated 15 June 2010 from Minister of the Environment, Edwin Poots MLA, copies of which had been circulated.

The letter confirmed that the delivery of the Local Government Reform Programme for the creation of 11 new Councils would not now be possible in 2011 as planned.

Agreement on an alternative delivery timetable had not yet been reached but a framework would be developed for a new collaborative delivery model whereby savings could be made using a system of efficiency plans and statements for each Council, given that saving money for the ratepayers had been one of the pillars in the plan to reduce the number of Councils.

Questions raised by Members were addressed by the Chairman.

**NOTED:** the following items of correspondence which were available for Members' perusal:

- Department of Education Consultation on the Policy Framework: Teacher Education in a Climate of Change - The Way Forward - closing date 21 June 2010
- Housing Bill Consultation Report and Revised Equality Screening/Housing (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill from the Northern Ireland Assembly Committee for Social Development - closing date 23 August 2010
- Report of the Independent Commission on the Future for Housing in Northern Ireland
- Safeguarding Board Bill from the NI Assembly Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety - closing date 30 July 2010.

**REVIEW OF  
PUBLIC  
ADMINISTRATION**

**LETTER FROM  
MINISTER OF THE  
ENVIRONMENT,  
EDWIN POOTS  
MLA**

**CORRESPONDENCE  
ITEMS**

**AGREED:** arrangements to be made for a Corporate Planning Workshop to be held in August or September 2010, details of which would be forwarded to Members in due course.

**CORPORATE  
PLANNING  
WORKSHOP**

There being no further business the Meeting concluded at 4.02 pm.

**Mayor**

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**Chief Executive**

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**Date**

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