

# ANTRIM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of a Meeting of the **Environment and Borough Services Committee** of Antrim Borough Council held in The Round Tower Chamber, Antrim Civic Centre, 50 Stiles Way, Antrim on **Thursday 17 June 2010** at **10.00 am**.

In The Chair : Alderman M Rea

Other Members Present : Aldermen -  
S Dunlop  
R J Loughran  
Councillors -  
A K Brady  
A D Cochrane-Watson  
B Graham  
O C J Keenan  
N Kelly  
A Logue  
M Lucas  
D Ritchie  
J Smyth

Non-Committee Members Present : None

In Attendance : Director of Development & Leisure  
Assistant Director – Operational Services  
Public Relations Assistant  
Committee Secretary - D Waddell

Apologies : Councillor O C J Keenan  
Director of Corporate Services

## **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Neil Kelly to his first meeting of the Environment and Borough Services Committee and expressed his thanks to his colleagues for returning him as Chairman for the ensuing year.

The Chairman requested that all mobile phones be switched off during Committee meetings to avoid disruption to official Council business.

### **OPERATIONAL SERVICES**

**REPORT:** No 3 had been circulated.

**NOTED:** for information.

### **CLEANSING UPDATE**

### **PROPERTY SERVICES**

**REPORT:** No 4 had been circulated.

**RECOMMENDED:** that consideration of bus shelters is deferred to the 2011 – 2012 estimates process.

**NOTED:** any community group which obtained grants for specific bus shelter provision should contact Roads Service in respect of ongoing maintenance and insurance considerations.

### **BUS SHELTERS**

**REPORT:** No 5 had been circulated.

**RECOMMENDED:** retrospective approval of the variations to the commission of R Robinson and Sons Ltd as follows:

1. Re-design of Steeple Play Area and additional PSD (Private Streets Determination) drawings in the amount of approximately £12,200 plus VAT, and
2. Design, supervision, and certification of the Right Hand Turn Lane in the amount of approximately £9,900 plus VAT.

### **MUCKAMORE AND STILES WAY PLAY AREAS (DUNLOP PARK AND STEEPLE PLAY AREA)**

**REPORT:** No 6 had been circulated.

## **ROUNABOUT SPONSORSHIP**

**RECOMMENDED:** that roundabout sponsorship offered by Clonlee Private Nursing Home at £5,400 over three years be accepted.

**NOTED:** Information Item 18 – officers from Community Services were currently exploring funding opportunities for an initiative which would engage local people in a project at Greystone roundabout therefore the works approved by Council were being delayed to establish if a joint approach can be taken.

**REPORT:** No 7 had been circulated.

## **FLORAL PLANT DISPLAYS**

**RECOMMENDED:** that two floral displays be provided depicting the 1<sup>st</sup> Randalstown Scout Group founded in 1910 - one in front of the Scout Hall in Neillsbrook and the second at the front of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Randalstown Presbyterian Church, Portglenone Road/Ahoghill Road, Randalstown.

**NOTED:** Officers to follow-up request for replacement of flower bed at Station Road, Randalstown which had not been reinstated following road works.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH**

**REPORT:** No 8 had been circulated.

## **HIGH HEDGES BILL CONSULTATION**

**NOTED:** amendments to High Hedges Bill.

Members' attention was drawn to new Council responsibilities where Councils will be obliged to cut hedges if landowners do not act in response to complaints. Officers to consider budget provision for this new responsibility.

The Chairman expressed his disappointment that the legislation required complainants to pay costs if these were not forthcoming from landowners.

Councillor Lucas entered the Meeting at 10.35 am.

**REPORT:** No 9 had been circulated.

**NOTED:** no comments.

**CONSULTATION:  
PROPOSED TSE  
REGULATIONS (NI)  
2010**

**REPORT:** No 11 had been circulated.

**ARTICLE 20 – POWER OF DISTRICT COUNCILS TO OBTAIN  
INFORMATION**

**Case Ref: RS/PC/10/02 – A20**

**RECOMMENDED:** that Council resolves to initiate legal proceedings against the keeper of the vehicle, as detailed in circulated report, for non compliance of the Article 20 Notice in contravention of the Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994.

**LITTER ORDER (NI)  
ORDER 1994**

**REPORT:** No 12 had been circulated.

**ARTICLE 29 – DOG ATTACK ON LIVESTOCK**

**Case Ref: RS/DAL/10/02**

**RECOMMENDED** that Council exercise its discretion not to initiate legal proceedings against the keeper of the dog on this occasion and alternatively a Simple Caution be offered in respect of the above offences.

**THE DOGS (NI)  
ORDER 1983**

**ARTICLE 22 – PENALTY FOR DOG STRAYING**

**Case Ref: RS/DC/10/01**

**RECOMMENDED** that Council resolves to institute legal proceedings against the keeper of the dog in question for contravention of the above legislation.

**REPORT:** No 13 had been circulated.

**RECOMMENDED:** approval for the issue of Entertainment Licences for the month of June 2010 as detailed on circulated report.

**GRANT OF  
ENTERTAINMENT  
LICENCES:  
JUNE 2010**

## **TENDERS**

**REPORT:** No 14 had been circulated.

**RECOMMENDED:** approval of the appointment of the suppliers highlighted in yellow as framework waste container suppliers for a period of one year (the non-highlighted suppliers have already been approved by Council).

**TENDER FOR  
SUPPLY AND  
DELIVERY OF  
WHEELED  
REFUSE  
CONTAINERS ETC  
PM/TEN/043**

<b>Size of Container</b>	<b>Supplier</b>	<b>2010/11 Price</b>
140 l	Craemer	£14.94
240 l	Contract to be re-tendered	
360 l	Weber	£34.43
660 l plastic	Heyn	£113.00
660 l metal	Sturdy	£216.50
1100 l plastic	Heyn	£134.66
1100 l metal	Sturdy	£216.50
Bottle Banks	JFC Manufacturin g	£387.24
Paper Banks	Heyn	£759.25
330L Compost Unit & 5L caddy	Heyn	£13.16
7L vented caddy	Enviroways	£0.97
7L solid caddy	Straight	£1.02
23L caddy	Coral Products	£2.52
55L Kerbside Boxes – Black	Coral Products	£3.11
55L Kerbside Boxes - Red	Straight	£3.52
Compostable Kitchen Caddy Liners (roll of 30)	SP & SAI Biopac	£0.728

## **ADDITIONAL ITEM**

**TABLED:** report.

**RECOMMENDED:** that the residential development sited off Ballydonaghy Road, Crumlin for JW & J Porter & Co be named 'Portmore Hall'.

**NAMING OF  
LOCAL HOUSING  
DEVELOPMENT**

## **INTERVAL**

There was an interval at 10.50 am.

The Meeting resumed at 11.15 am with all Members previously present resuming their seats. Councillor Cochrane-Watson also joined the Meeting at this point.

## **OTHER RELEVANT ITEMS**

Councillor Ritchie stated that he had received an enquiry from a resident regarding the possibility of Council cutting grass areas in Bushforde private residential development as the developer responsible for these areas had been declared bankrupt.

**GRASS CUTTING  
REQUEST:  
BUSHFORDE**

**NOTED:** Council does not have the remit to cut grass in private developments. A previous request for grass cutting in this area had been passed on to officers to investigate if there were any other bodies that may be approached in respect of this problem which is raised on an annual basis for various developments throughout the borough.

**RECOMMENDED:** that Officers promote a more proactive approach in dealing with dog fouling offences both through press notices and increased prosecutions to demonstrate that it is an issue taken seriously by Council.

**DOG FOULING**

**RESOLVED:** on the proposal of Alderman Loughran, seconded by Councillor Ritchie that the remainder of Committee business be taken 'In Confidence'.

**IN CONFIDENCE**

The following items were discussed In Confidence:

- Proposed Pilot for Acceptance Of Furniture At Household Recycling Centres
- Nutt's Corner Motorsport Centre: Noise Levels
- Removal of Items from Civic Amenity Site
- Newpark Bonfire Site
- Steeple Playground

There being no further business the Meeting concluded at 12.10 pm.

*Mayor*

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*Chief Executive*

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*Date*

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