

LISBURN & CASTLEREAGH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Leisure and Community Development Committee Meeting of Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council, held in the Island Civic Centre, Lisburn, BT27 4RL, on Tuesday 2 February 2016, at 5.30 pm

PRESENT

Alderman S P Porter (Chairman)

The Right Worshipful the Mayor
Councillor R T Beckett

Aldermen: WA Leathem, J Tinsley

Councillors: N Anderson, B Bloomfield MBE, J Gallen, A Givan, J Gray MBE, V Kamble, H Legge, A McIntyre, T Morrow, S Scott

IN ATTENDANCE

Director of Leisure & Community Services
Head of Service (Parks & Amenities)
Head of Service (Sports Services)
Museum Curator
Project Development Manager
Community Services Manager
Committee Secretary

Commencement of Meeting

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Leisure and Community Development Committee.

1. Apologies

It was agreed to accept apologies from the Deputy Mayor, Councillor A Redpath, Councillor R Butler, Councillor R Walker, Head of Service (Cultural & Community)

2. Declarations of Interest

The Chair invited Members to declare any Conflicts of Interest they might have in relation to the business of the meeting and reminded them of the requirement to complete Declaration of Interest forms in this regard, which had been provided at the meeting. The following Declarations of Interest were made:

- Councillor J Gray MBE in Item 5.5 'Private Collector's Request to set up Display in Museum' on the basis that she was a member of the NI Museum Council.

- Councillor J Gray MBE in Item 5.8 'Cleaning of Museum Air Conditioning System' on the basis that she was a member of the NI Museum Council.
 - Councillor J Gray MBE in Item 5.9 'Museum Exhibition Programme – Spring/Summer 2016' on the basis that she was a member of the NI Museum Council.
 - Councillor J Gray MBE in Item 5.10 'Museum and Heritage Service Strategic Review' on the basis that she was a member of the NI Museum Council.
 - Councillor J Gray MBE in Item 5.11 'Basil Blackshaw Painting Acquisition for the Museum' on the basis that she was a member of the NI Museum Council.
 - Councillor H Legge in Item 5.14.4 ' Ballybeen Pitch Development Project' on the basis that she was a member of Ballybeen Improvement Group
 - Councillor H Legge in Item 5.14.7 'Moat Park Car Park' on the basis that she was a member of the Board of Governors of Dundonald Primary School
3. Minutes of the Leisure and Community Development Committee Meeting held on 5 January 2016

It was agreed that the minutes of the Leisure and Community Development Committee meeting held on 5 January 2016, as adopted at the meeting of Council held on 26 January 2016, be confirmed and signed.

4. Presentation by PlayBoard

It was agreed to receive the presentation from PlayBoard at this point in the meeting.

Members were reminded that PlayBoard had been commissioned to carry out a Playability Audit of the Council's play parks with a view to prioritising future development of facilities in line with changing demographics and existing park standards. The Chair welcomed the representative from Play Board, Mr Alan Herron, Director of Service Delivery and Development, who provided a powerpoint presentation outlining the objectives, scope and key findings of the audit.

Following his presentation Mr Herron answered Members' questions. The Chair then thanked him for his presentation and he left the meeting.

The Head of Service (P&A) reported that, based on the findings of the playability audit, officers would draw up a report outlining a 3 year plan for playground development and refurbishment, taking consideration of local factors, which would be brought to Committee in March. He also sought the Committee's approval to proceed with the purchase of tango swing seats for play grounds in the current financial year.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council approve the purchase and installation of tango swing seats for playgrounds.

5. Report from the Director of Leisure & Community Services

It was agreed that the report and recommendations of the Director of Leisure & Community Services be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below

Items for Decision:

5.1 Queen Elizabeth II: 90th Birthday Celebrations

Members were advised that the Working Group considering arrangements to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II had asked that consideration be given to organising the following events as part of the wider celebrations:

- Community Celebrations Grant Scheme

Members were provided with a detailed outline of the scheme and the timetable for delivery. It was noted that provision of £10,000 had been made in the 2016/17 financial estimates for this grant scheme.

- Exhibition at Irish Linen Centre/Museum

It was proposed to organise an exhibition in the museum, curated by museum staff and with associated costs met from with the ILC/Museum creative budgets.

It was agreed to recommend that Council agree to officers progressing the organisation of the Community Celebration Grant Scheme, and Exhibition as outlined.

5.2 Leisure & Community Services: Draft Departmental Plan 2015-2017

It was agreed to defer consideration of the draft Departmental Plan 2015-2017 to the next meeting of the Committee.

5.3 Former Derriaghy Primary School: Proposed Community Use

Members were provided with a detailed report on negotiations with the Education Authority regarding the acquisition of either a mobile unit at the site or a section of the Derriaghy Primary School building for proposed community use. Due to issues arising with regard to the mobile unit, officers recommended that the Council proceed on the basis of acquiring for community use a section of the school building. It was noted that the Committee had delegated authority to deal with this matter.

It was agreed that Council accept, subject to contract, the freehold transfer of the portion of the former school at a cost of £135,000 based on the plan and the valuation provided by Land & Property Services, both of which had been circulated at the December Committee meeting.

5.4. Department of the Environment: Discussion Document on Options to Develop the Better Management and Control of Bonfires

Members were provided with and considered correspondence and a discussion document from the Department of the Environment on Options to Develop the Better Management and Control of Bonfires.

It was noted that this correspondence had been directed to the Chief Executive who had passed it to the Committee for consideration. Members agreed that any response to the discussion document should be from the Council rather than from an officer.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council respond to the Department of the Environment indicating that it considered Option 1, Continuing and Developing Current Best Practice, to be the preferred option.

5.5 Private Collector's Request to set up Display in Museum

Members considered a request from a private collector for the use of the Assembly Room in the Irish Linen Centre & Lisburn Museum in March or April 2016 to mount a two day display of a private collection of security forces militaria relating to the 1969-2007 Troubles with a private shop to sell self-produced products. .

It was agreed to defer a decision on this issue so that officers could continue discussions with the collector in order to assess issues such as scheduling, the quality of material and suitability of the collection for exhibition.

5.6 Corporate Risk Register

Members noted the content of the Corporate Risk Register that had been adopted by Council on 26 January 2016.

5.7 Culture and Identity Grants Scheme 2015-2016

Members noted a report outlining the funding allocations made under the Culture and Identify Grants Scheme 2015-2016.

Alderman WA Leathem enquired about the 2016/17 scheme and suggested that an earlier allocation of grant would allow community groups a better opportunity to plan programmes for the year. It was agreed that the timetable for the 2016/17 grant scheme be amended to facilitate the allocation of grant earlier in the year.

At the request of the Chair, it was agreed that the application from North Lisburn Community Investment group be taken off the schedule so that officers could continue support work with the group.

5.8 Cleaning of Museum Air Conditioning System

Members were advised that the five yearly inspection of the museum's air conditioning system had identified a need for comprehensive cleaning of the ducting. Members noted that the work programme would be completed in February 2016 and would involve some disruption to the museum service including possible closure of some galleries for several days.

In response to a query, the Museum Curator advised that this work could not be deferred pending future repair work at the museum as it was a health and safety issue.

5.9 Museum Exhibition Programme – Spring/Summer 2016

Members were provided with and noted a draft Museum Exhibition Programme for Spring/Summer 2016. Members noted that the main exhibition would be to commemorate events in 1916 including the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme and there would also be an exhibition relating to Her Majesty the Queen 1926-2016.

(Councillor N Anderson left the meeting at 6.18 pm)

5.10 Museum and Heritage Service Strategic Review

Members noted that Jura Consultancy of Loanhead, Midlothian, Scotland, had been appointed as consultants for the Museum and Heritage Service Strategic Review and had commenced work.

The Director of Leisure and Community Services advised that work on the strategic review would involve consultation with Members and, to assist Members in this regard, it was proposed to organise a guided visit of the museum facilities for Members in the coming weeks.

5.11 Basil Blackshaw Painting Acquisition for the Museum

Members noted a report on the acquisition through the Emergency Purchase Procedure and with grant aid from the Northern Ireland Museums Council of an early watercolour (1957) “View across Lisburn to Colin Mountain” by Basil Blackshaw.

5.12 Leisure and Community Services Capital Programme Update

Members noted an update report in relation to the Leisure and Community Services Capital Programme. The Director of Leisure and Community Services answered Members’ queries in respect of the Capital Programme.

(Councillor N Anderson returned at 6.21 pm)

5.13 Departmental Absenteeism Report

Members noted a report providing information on the level of Departmental absenteeism for the periods from 1 April 2015 to 31 October 2015 and 30 November 2015 respectively.

5.14 Report of Head of Service (Cultural & Community Services)

It was agreed that the report and recommendations of the Head of Service (Cultural & Community Services) be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below

5.14.1 Community Support Grant Aid Policy and Guidance 2016-2019

Members were provided with and considered a revised Community Support Grant Aid Policy and Guidance Scheme 2016-2019 and were provided with a detailed report on the scheme objectives, funding categories and delivery timetable for 2016-2017 which was as follows:

Stage	Date
Open Call for Applications	w/b 7 March 2016
Community Information and Support Sessions	March 2016
Application Closing Date	w/b 4 April 2016
Assessment	April/May 2016
Recommendations to Committee	7 June 2016
Awards Made	July 2016

Due to the changes in the new scheme, Members noted that workshops would be held across the Council area and asked that groups be actively encouraged to attend.

The Chair requested that the pass mark of 40% should be kept under review and asked officers to report back to Committee if this change had a negative impact. Alderman WA Leathem expressed concern about inclusion in the scoring process of evidence of need, particularly TSNs, and asked that this too be kept under review. On that basis, it was agreed to recommend that the Council approve the revised Community Support Grant Aid Scheme subject to following amendment:

- Removal of the words “or the fund total is exhausted” at “funding awards will be made on a ranked basis until all eligible groups are awarded or the fund total is exhausted”.

5.14.2 Good Relations Grant Aid Information and Guidance 2016-2017

Members were provided with and considered the Good Relations Information and Guidance document for 2016/2017.

The Head of Service reported on the delivery timetable for 2016/2017 as follows:

Stage	Date
Open Call for Applications	w/b 14 March 2016
Application Closing Date	6 April 2016
Assessment	2/b 11 April 2016
Recommendations to Committee	3 May 2016
Awards Made	12 May 2016

He advised that, if the Council had not received a letter of offer from OFMDFM by the open call date for applications of 7 March 2016, it was proposed that officers would continue to implement the timetable but that no final awards would be made until the funding commitment from OFMDFM was known.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council approve the revised guidance document and the proposed timetable for the 2016/2017 Good Relations Fund.

5.14.3 Community Festival Fund Grant Policy 2016-2017

Members were provided with and considered the amended Community Festival Fund Grant Policy issued by the Department for Culture, Arts and Leisure (DCAL) together with the Council’s guidance documents.

It was reported that the proposed delivery timetable for 2016/2017 was as follows:

Stage	Date
Open Call for Applicants	w/b 7 March 2016
Community Information & Support Sessions	March 2016 (tbc)
Application Closing Date	25 March 2016
Assessment	April 2016
Recommendations to Committee	3 May 2016
Awards Made	12 May 2016

The Head of Services advised that, if the Council had not received a letter of offer from DCAL by the open call date for applications of 7 March 2016, it was proposed that officers would continue to implement the timetable but that no final awards would be made until the funding commitment from DCAL was known.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council approve the revised guidance documentation and the proposed timetable for the 2016/2017 Community Festival Fund.

5.14.4 Ballybeen Pitch Development Project

Members were provided with a detailed update report on the Ballybeen Pitch Development Project which highlighted the need for surveys to be completed to identify the line of underground utilities before development options could be progressed. The Project Development Manager answered Members' questions.

(Alderman J Tinsley left at 6.47 pm)

It was noted that a further report on ground conditions and utilities would come back to the Committee in due course and, in the interim, officers would continue to work with local community representatives to develop an appropriate scheme for the area.

(Councillor T Morrow left at 6.50 pm)

5.15 Report of Head of Service (Parks and Amenities)

It was proposed by Councillor S Scott, seconded by Councillor A McIntyre, and agreed that the report and recommendations of the Head of Service (Parks and Amenities) be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below

5.15.1 Playability Audit

It was noted that this matter had been dealt with earlier in the meeting.

5.15.2 CSAW Project

Members considered a detailed report on the CSAW project which had been operating since December 2009 with 100% funding from BIG Lottery. It was noted that, while saving efficiencies had meant the project could be extended to 31 December 2016, a further extension beyond that date was unlikely.

In response to a query by Alderman Leathem, the Head of Service advised that he was aware that the BIG Lottery had announced a new 5 year funding programme but that applications had to be for new projects rather than for previously funded projects.

Members considered benefits in retaining the project for the wider Council area and the financial and operational issues involved therein.

It was noted that, to maintain low operating costs, concessions in respect of room hire, golf course and gym facilities would be required from 2017/2018 onwards.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council approve:

- The retention of the CSAW Programme as a legacy project funded by the Council once BIG Lottery funding ceases;
- Concessions in respect of use of leisure and community facilities, as listed in the officer's report from April 2017 onwards;
- The retention of one member of staff on a fixed term contract subject to continued salary provision in future Estimates.

5.15.3 Drumbo Glen Biodiversity Project

Members were advised that a Drumbo residents group had approached the Council with a view to opening up countryside access to the Drumbo Glen which was already designated as a Site of Local Nature Conservation Importance (SLNCI). Members were provided with a map of The Glen which was in the shared ownership of several local landowners who were supportive of the proposal

It was reported that the residents and landowners wished to apply for grant funding and preparatory work including legal agreements, biodiversity audits, tree surveys, design advice, etc. would be required to support the funding application.

Members were advised that the project could form part of the Local Biodiversity Action Plan (LBAP) for which there was budget provision. It

was recommended that any assistance provided by the Council to assist with the funding application should be capped at £500.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council approve the provision of financial support up to a maximum of £500 to the Drumbo Glen countryside access and biodiversity project through the preparatory phases of their grant applications.

5.15.4 Baseball Diamond - Hydebank

Members were advised that some work was required to complete the Baseball Diamond project at Hydebank Playing Fields, which had been started by Castlereagh Borough Council.

It was noted that the estimated cost of completion of £10k-£12k related mainly to the construction of a ball catch net to prevent infringement on adjacent roads. Members were also apprised of reports to the PSNI and NIEA of disturbance to a badger sett; however officers were working with both agencies to resolve the matter and had commissioned a badger survey to ensure its compliance.

A budget had been identified to complete the works by the target date of 1 May 2016. A tournament at the facility was planned for 28-29 May 2016 involving teams from across the UK and Ireland and it was proposed to hold the official opening immediately prior to the start of the tournament.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council approve the expenditure to complete the baseball diamond and note the intention to hold an official opening immediately prior to the tournament on 28 May 2016.

5.15.5 Wallace Fountain

It was noted that Wallace Fountain, which had been vandalised in October 2015, had been restored and reinstated in Wallace Park on 26 January 2016.

Members thanked the officers from both Leisure & Community Services and Environmental Services on the successful restoration of the fountain.

Additional Tabled Report by Head of Service (Parks & Amenities)

It was agreed to allow the Head of Service (P&A) to table the following additional items.

5.15.6 Appointment of a Management Consultant to deliver an Expenditure Appraisal for the Development of Stockdam Glen Linear Park

It was agreed to recommend that Council award the contract for the appointment of a management consultant to deliver an expenditure appraisal for Stockdam Glen Linear Park to Williamson Consulting.

5.15.7 Moat Park Car Park

Members were advised that health and safety issues were arising at Moat car park which was being used by Ulster Hospital staff for all day parking and by parents collecting and leaving children at Dundonald Primary School. It was proposed that the installation of a gate at the car park, to be opened by the school caretaker around 0830 hrs, would alleviate the problem caused by the early morning hospital staff utilising the car park for all day parking.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council approve the installation of a gate at Moat Park car park at an estimated cost of £4,000, for which there was provision within the estimates.

5.15.8 Renovation of Billy Neill Pitch No 2

It was reported that, in return for permitting potential customers to view the equipment and process of pitch renovation, a company had offered to completely refurbish Pitch number 2 at Billy Neill free of charge, with the work taking place after the football season on 23 and 24 May 2016. Members were advised that the process would normally cost in the region of £10,000.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council agree to accept the offer relating to the renovation of Billy Neill Pitch No 2 as outlined, subject to work being supervised by Council staff to ensure it was completed to the required standard.

5.16 Report of Head of Service (Sports Services)

5.16.1 Defibrillator Grant Aid Programme

Members were reminded that the Council had introduced a defibrillator grant aid programme that would provide up to 6 defibrillators and a scoring criteria had been approved to rank the applicant clubs in the event of demand exceeding supply.

It was reported that 7 clubs had applied for the grant aid and all met the minimum requirements of the scheme. As additional budget had been identified, it was recommended that, all 7 clubs should receive a defibrillator. The applicant clubs were:

1. Hillsborough Boys
2. Castlereagh Hills Golf Club
3. Downshire Tennis Club
4. Gladiators Fencing Club
5. Glenavy Youth
6. Chum Sut Wrestling Club
7. Lisburn Boxing Club

It was recommended that Council approve the provision of 7 defibrillators to the successful clubs pending receipt of their financial contribution and attendance at the appropriate training.

5.16.2 2016 Assembly Elections

5.16.2.1 Use of Lagan Valley LeisurePlex as a Count Centre

Members considered correspondence from the Electoral Office for Northern Ireland (EONI) requesting a quote for the provision of Lagan Valley LeisurePlex as a count venue from 8.00 am on Wednesday 4 May until 11.00 pm on Monday 9 May 2016.

Members noted that, while EONI's was entitled to the free use of facilities, it was required to cover costs such as heat, light and power. In forwarding a quote to EONI, officers had highlighted the potential loss of income to the Council in room hire costs in the hope that this would encourage EONI to minimise the number of rooms used and to vacate the building as early as possible.

It was agreed to recommend that Council approve the submission to EONI of the appropriate information requested.

5.16.2.2 Use of Lough Moss Leisure Centre and Kilmakee Activity Centre as Polling Stations for the Assembly Election, Thursday 5 May 2016

It was noted that Lough Moss Leisure Centre and Kilmakee Activity Centre would be used as Polling Stations for the 2016 Assembly Elections.

5.16.3 Leisure & Community Services Draft Departmental Charges 2016/17

Members were provided with a complete breakdown of proposed charges for the Leisure & Community Services Department for 2016/17. It was noted that, as previously agreed by Council, the only changes from the previous year's charges were to reflect agreed harmonisation, recoup additional costs to the service or to potentially derive additional income.

It was agreed to recommend that Council approve the draft Departmental charges for 2016/17.

(Councillor A McIntyre left at 7.05 pm)

5.16.4 Britton Rosebowl - Northern Ireland Amateur Football League –v- Scottish Amateur Football Association

Members considered correspondence from the Honorary Treasurer of the Northern Ireland Amateur Football League outlining proposals to host the 2016 Britton Rosebowl match between the two leagues in the Council area.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council host a reception for 80 people plus Council guests for the Britton Rosebowl taking place at Downshire Young Men's FC on Saturday 14th May 2016.

(Councillor A McIntyre returned at 7.07 pm)

5.16.5 Move More Northern Ireland Macmillan Cancer Care

Members considered a proposal from Macmillan Cancer Care to enter into a partnership with the Council to deliver a Move More project for people living with cancer. Macmillan Cancer Care would provide funding of £120,000 over three years to cover a full time post plus associated set up, travel and project costs.

It was agreed to recommend that, subject to suitable agreement, the Council proceed with a partnership with Macmillan Cancer Care with a view to appointing a Macmillan Move More Co-ordinator, with 100% of the funding for the post and associated project costs being provided by Macmillan Cancer Care

5.16.6 Dundonald International Ice Bowl – Tenpin Bowling Scoring System Upgrade

Members considered a background paper highlighting a number of major issues with the existing tenpin bowling scoring system at Dundonald International Ice Bowl. It was noted that capital provision had been included in the 2016/17 estimates to replace the system at an approximate cost of £200,000. Members were advised that, in the event of any future upgrading/redevelopment works at the Ice Bowl, the new system could be salvaged and moved to a new location/facility.

It was agreed to recommend that Council agree to upgrade the tenpin bowling system at Dundonald International Ice Bowl to the QUBICCA AMF BES X Option at a cost of approximately £200,000.

5.16.7 Lagan Valley LeisurePlex IQL/Royal Lifesaving Society UK External Quality Assurance Visit

Members noted that the monitoring visit report from the IQL/RLS UK had awarded a score of 100% for training and pool qualifications provided to staff and public at Lagan Valley LeisurePlex and that this represented an 18% increase in score from the last monitoring visit.

5.16.8 Sports Services Income/Expenditure 2015/16

Members noted the report providing a breakdown by facility/service of expenditure and income relating to Sports Services up to period 9 of the current financial year.

5.16.9 Pirates Adventure Golf – Planning Application

Members noted the planning application submitted by Pirates Adventure Golf relating to the relocation of the existing temporary tea/coffee outlet to a permanent structure within an extension to the existing ticket office and golf equipment store.

5.16.10 Britvic Drinks Vending Contract – Castlereagh Leisure Facilities

Members were advised that the former Castlereagh Borough Council's Leisure Department had managed its own vending operation and the contract with Britvic would continue until August 2016. The contract had included a marketing support fund based on litres purchased and, based on current vending sales, it was likely that the fund would realise in the region of £12,000 in the 2015/16 financial year.

It was reported that officers were discussing with Finance how to invest the fund in the best interests of the service and it was anticipated that it would assist in improving the social media platform in a number of the major leisure facilities.

Members noted the marketing support fund arising out of the Britvic vending contract and the potential to redirect the fund to assist in the marketing of the major leisure facilities.

6 Confidential Report by the Director of Leisure & Community Services

It was agreed that the Confidential Report and recommendations of the Director of Leisure & Community Services be adopted subject to any decisions recorded below.

The Director reported that the items contained in his Confidential Report required to be considered in Committee due to the reasons outlined

Item 6.1: Confidential for reasons relating to the financial and business affairs of an individual

Item 6.2: Confidential for reasons relating to the financial and business affairs of an individual

It was proposed by Councillor J Gray MBE, seconded by Councillor S Scott and agreed that the items in the Confidential Report be considered 'In Committee' in the absence of members of the press and public.

In Committee

6.1 Pitch Bookings

Members considered a report outlining 3 options for the amalgamation of the software required to manage pitch bookings across the Council.

The options were Option 1 - adopting the software previously used by LCC; Option 2 - adopting the software previously used by CBC; or Option 3 - adopting new software not previously used. The preferred option was Option 1 and the report outlined the financial and operational reasons for selecting this option.

Members were advised that the cost to upgrade and implement the new systems would be £10,795 and there would then be an ongoing annual cost of £4,320 to support the package and host it off site. The following additional measures would be rolled out to improve efficiencies:

- An end to cash payments. All payments in future would be by Debit/Credit card or on-line banking
- Improved use of technology to communicate with team representatives
- Encouragement for teams to be invoiced in advance for 10 bookings which would make them VAT exempt and save the clubs 20% on annual pitch costs

It was agreed to recommend that Council approve the adoption of the upgraded pitch booking module and facility checklist supplied by XnLeisure, for which financial provision had been made in the estimates and note the initiatives to improve efficiencies in the coming season.

6.2 CCTV Upgrade – Wallace Park

Members were advised that the Council's Economic Development Unit was supporting a project managed by Lisburn Commerce against Crime to upgrade the CCTV coverage in Castle Gardens, LVI Civic Centre and the Omniplex and to integrate these areas into the established network that included the city centre, Hillsborough and Moira.

Members considered a proposal to include Wallace Park in the upgrade and detailing the operational and financial aspects involved. A financial appraisal prepared by the Council's Economic Development Unit had also been provided.

It was agreed to recommend that Council approve the expenditure of £40,000 on the upgrade of CCTV in Wallace Park by Lisburn Commerce Against Crime, it being noted that Council coordination in regard to the link to LCAC would be provided through Corporate Services.

It was proposed by Councillor N Anderson, seconded by Councillor A McIntyre and agreed to come out of committee and normal business was resumed.

Resumption of Normal Business

7 Any Other Business

7.1 Santa at the Museum

The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor RT Beckett, referred to the success of the Santa at the Museum initiative and advised that the event had raised a substantial sum (£2,152) for the Mayor's charity. He thanked the staff involved.

7.2 Hazama Judo Club at Maghaberry and Castlereagh

The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor RT Beckett, reported on the activities of the Hazama Judo Club at Maghaberry and also Castlereagh, in particular in promoting special needs judo. The club had won several awards including competitor of the year, coach of the year and club of the year. The club's special needs project had been grant aided by Sports NI. The Mayor asked that Council support the club in this project whenever possible.

7.3 Mr Graham Catney

Members were advised of the death on 30 January 2016 of the artist, Mr Graham Catney, who had been a member of Lisburn Arts Advisory

Committee and also of Lisburn Historic Quarter Arts Group. On behalf of the Council, the Chair forwarded condolences to Mr Catney's family.

7.4 UEFA European Championships

At the request of the Vice-Chair, Councillor A McIntyre, officers undertook to investigate the feasibility and costs involved in the Council arranging public screenings of UEFA European Championship matches.

7.5 Derriaghy Cricket Club

Councillor J Gray MBE reported that Derriaghy Cricket Club was developing an initiative to involve disabled children in cricket activities. She advised that, as a member of the Lady Taverners Association, she had assisted the club in obtaining cricket equipment. She asked that the Council support the club in this initiative whenever possible.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 7.25 pm.

Chairman