

LISBURN & CASTLEREAGH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Remote Meeting of the Capital Projects Committee held on Tuesday, 13 April, 2021 at 6:00 pm

PRESENT IN CHAMBER:

Councillor S Hughes (Chairman)

PRESENT IN REMOTE LOCATION:

The Right Worshipful the Mayor
Councillor N Trimble

Deputy Mayor
Councillor Jenny Palmer

Aldermen D Drysdale, A G Ewart MBE, M Henderson MBE,
and S Martin

Councillors R T Beckett, S Eastwood, J Lavery BEM,
G McCleave and T Mitchell

OTHER MEMBERS IN REMOTE LOCATION:

Alderman J Tinsley

Councillors A Givan, S Lee and S Lowry

IN ATTENDANCE:

In Chamber:

Director of Service Transformation
Member Services Officers
IT Officer
Technician

In Remote Location:

Director of Leisure and Community Wellbeing
Head of Planning and Capital Development
Head of Sports Services
Capital Programme Manager

Commencement of the Meeting

At the commencement of the meeting, the Chairman, Councillor S Hughes, welcomed those present to the remote meeting of the Capital Projects Committee, which was being live streamed to enable members of the public to hear and see the proceedings.

At this point, the Member Services Officer read out the names of the Elected Members in attendance at the meeting.

The Chairman, Councillor Hughes, stated that, whilst the meeting was being live streamed, unauthorised recording was not permitted, as per the Council's Standing Orders.

At this point, the Chairman referred to the recent passing of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. As a mark of respect for Prince Philip and in recognition of the contribution he had made to public life, those in attendance at the meeting stood and observed a minute's silence.

Alderman S Martin joined the meeting during the above (6.05 pm).

1. Apologies

It was agreed to accept apologies for non-attendance at the meeting on behalf of the Vice-Chairman, Councillor A Gowan, and Councillor H Legge.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Confidential Business

The matters contained in the confidential report were required to be considered "in committee" due to containing information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person or organisation (including the Council holding that information).

"In Committee"

It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Jenny Palmer, seconded by Councillor J Lavery and agreed that the following matters be considered "in committee", in the absence of members of the press and public being present. The live stream of the meeting was paused at this stage.

3.1 Changes and Movements in the Capital Programme

The Director of Service Transformation provided in his report, an update in respect of Hillsborough Forest Play Area and Duncan's Dam Phase 1, as well as key dates for project completions for schemes on the capital programme and others with capital works. The report was presented to Members by the Head of Planning and Capital Development. It was proposed by The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor N Trimble, seconded by Alderman M Henderson and agreed to recommend that information in the Director's report be noted.

The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor N Trimble, put on record his thanks to the Director of Service Transformation and other Officers involved in progressing the regeneration of Union Bridge, which was part of the NI Centenary Programme.

The Chairman, Councillor S Hughes, referred to how challenging the last year had been with the Covid-19 pandemic. He stated that it had been positive that

3.1 Changes and Movements in the Capital Programme (Contd)

programme was managed and projects delivered. This had been testament to the hard work of Council Officers and the tenacity of Elected Members.

Councillor S Eastwood joined the meeting (6.11 pm).

3.2 Capital Programme Update and Financial Position

The Director of Service Transformation provided in his report, an update in respect of the capital programme and financial position. Members were provided with a copy of current capital programme financials and spend profiles. The report was presented to Members by the Head of Planning and Capital Development.

It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Jenny Palmer, seconded by Councillor T Mitchell, and agreed to recommend that the current financial position of the capital programme as at March 2021, and as detailed in the Director's report, be approved.

3.3 Verbal Matter – Recent Planning Approvals
The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor N Trimble

The Director of Service Transformation responded to a query by the Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor N Trimble, regarding next steps in relation to the Dundonald International Ice Bowl and Knockmore Link Road projects, given planning permission that had been granted for those by the Planning Committee the previous day.

Resumption of Normal Business

It was proposed by Councillor T Mitchell, seconded by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Jenny Palmer, and agreed to come out of committee and normal business was resumed. The live stream of the meeting was recommenced at this stage.

4. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

Conclusion of the Meeting

At the conclusion of the meeting, which was the last meeting of the Capital Projects Committee prior to the forthcoming Annual Meeting, the Director of Service Transformation thanked the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Committee Members for their support and guidance over the past year. The Chairman, Councillor S Hughes, thanked the Director and other Officers for their help and advice during his term as Chairman.

There being no further business the meeting was terminated at 6.19 pm.

Mayor/Chairman