

LISBURN & CASTLEREAGH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Development Committee held in the Island Civic Centre, The Island, Lisburn, on Wednesday 11 October 2017 at 6.35 pm

PRESENT:

Alderman A G Ewart MBE (Chairman)

The Right Worshipful the Mayor
Councillor T Morrow

Deputy Mayor, Councillor H Legge

Aldermen W J Dillon MBE, D Drysdale and S Martin

Councillors S Carson, A P Ewing, A Grehan and
U Mackin

OTHER MEMBERS:

Alderman S P Porter and J Tinsley, Councillors B Bloomfield,
D J Craig, A Girvin, B Hanvey, C Quinn and J Palmer

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive
Director of Service Transformation
Head of Economic Development
Member Services Officer
Attendance Clerk

PSNI

Superintendent Sean Wright

Legal Advisor - Cleaver Fulton Rankin

Mr Michael King

Commencement of the Meeting

At the commencement of the meeting the Chairman, Councillor A G Ewart, welcomed those present to the Special meeting of the Development Committee, in particular Superintendent Sean Wright, and the Council's legal advisor, Mr Michael King.

The Chairman outlined the evacuation procedures in the case of an emergency.

1. **Apologies**

It was agreed to accept apologies for non-attendance at the meeting on behalf of Alderman W A Leathem, Councillors J Baird, J Gallen, O Gawith, J Gray, J McCarthy, A McIntyre, L C Poots, M Tolerton and R Walker.

2. Declarations of Interest

The Chairman, Alderman A G Ewart, invited Members to declare any interests they might have in relation to the business of the meeting and reminded them of the requirement that they complete Declaration of Interest forms in this regard which had been provided at the meeting.

Alderman J Tinsley and Councillor A P Ewing declared an interest in Item 3.1, Lisburn Commerce Against Crime/CCTV System, in view of their membership of the Board of LCAC.

3. Confidential Business

The Chairman advised that the matters contained in the confidential report would be dealt with "In Committee" due to containing information in relation to:

- any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the Council, or a government department and employees of, or office holders under, the Council
- the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information)
- information in relation to which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings)
- information likely to reveal the identity of an individual(s))

"In Committee"

It was proposed by Councillor S Carson, seconded by Councillor U Mackin, and agreed that the item in the confidential report be considered "in committee", in the absence of members of the press and public being present.

Items for Decision

3. Confidential Report by Director of Service Transformation

It was agreed that the reports and recommendations of the Director of Service Transformation be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below.

3.1 Lisburn Commerce Against Crime/CCTV System

The Director of Service Transformation updated the Committee in relation to developments in respect of Lisburn Commerce against Crime and the CCTV system following the Special Meeting of Council on 5 October 2017.

The following documents had been furnished to the Committee:

3.1 Lisburn Commerce Against Crime/CCTV System (Cont'd)

- (a) Risk Assessment of LCAC operating procedures, and
- (b) an update report on further discussions with PSNI, LCAC and Partners, and
- (c) copy of correspondence, dated 28 September 2017, received from the Chairman of LCAC

A further letter from LCAC, dated 11 October 2017, together with an updated risk assessment on LCAC operating procedures was circulated at the meeting.

A discussion ensued during which the Director responded to Members' questions in relation to a number of issues raised in the reports as circulated. A number of Members expressed appreciation to the PSNI and Council Officers for their efforts to date in expediting this matter.

During the course of the meeting the following Members entered and/or left the meeting:

Alderman D Drysdale left the meeting at 6.50 pm and returned at 6.55 pm.
The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor T Morrow, left the meeting at 6.51 pm.
Alderman S Martin entered the meeting at 6.54 pm and left again at 7.14 pm.

It was proposed by Councillor U Mackin, seconded by Councillor S Carson, and agreed that the recommendations as set out in the Director's report, be agreed as follows:

- the content of the Director's Report, and associated appendices, be noted
- in line with delegated authority granted to the Chairman of the Committee, a limit of £15,000 in relation the level of additional Council financial resources towards LCAC be agreed
- the Council convey its appreciation to the PSNI for expediting the investigation of the incident with LCAC, for providing temporary cover for the interim arrangements, and making resources available to house LCAC staff within Lisburn Police station
- the Council assist the Council's Elected Members on the Board of LCAC in taking forward an independent review of the CCTV operations in conjunction with partners, with Terms of Reference for the review to be brought to the November meeting of the Development Committee for consideration
- a further report be brought to the Committee at its meeting in November 2017, and future meetings of the Committee, updating Members on the progress, including the ICO investigation
- a review be undertaken in regard to the funding conditions associated with the Council's annual LCAC grant award, and

3.1 Lisburn Commerce Against Crime/CCTV System (Cont'd)

- it be noted that the Council would take the lead on behalf of all the partner organisations in respect of any media enquiries thereon

It was proposed by Alderman D Drysdale, seconded by Councillor U Mackin and agreed to come out of Committee and normal business was resumed.

There being no further business for consideration the Special meeting terminated at 7.39 pm.

Chairman