

September 4th, 2023

To Each Member of Council

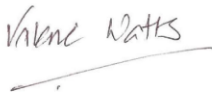
NOTICE OF MEETING

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the

Mid and East Antrim Borough Council

to be held on Monday, 4th September 2023 at 6:30 pm in Council Chamber, The Braid, 1-29
Bridge Street, Ballymena and via remote access.

Yours sincerely



Valerie Watts
Interim Chief Executive, Mid and East Antrim Borough Council

Agenda

1 FORMALITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1 Notice of Meeting

1.2 Apologies

1.3 Declarations of Interest

Members and Officers are invited to declare any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests, including gifts and hospitality, they may have in respect of items on this Agenda.

1.4 Special Council Meeting held on 21 June 2023

1.4.1 Minutes of Meeting held on 21 June 2023 - Circulated

📄 *Special Council - June 2023.pdf*

Not included

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1.4.2 Management of Bonfires - Report of 21 June 2023 circulated (30.08.23)

📄 *Management of Bonfires 21.06.2023.pdf*

Not included

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1.5 Minutes of Council Meeting held on 24 July 2023 - Circulated

📄 *07-23 Full Council Mins .pdf*

Not included

1.6 Mayor's Announcements - Report circulated (30.08.23)

📄 *Monthly Update Report - July and August 23.pdf*

Not included

2 QUESTIONS

2.1 Members

2.1.1 Tabled Question in the Name of Cllr A Barr (Additional item 31.08.23)

"What progress has been made within MEABC to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Ulster Defence Regiment Greenfinches?"

Response

"Officers continue to progress plans to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the formation of the Greenfinches. A further meeting is planned with Ulster Defence Regiment representatives this month to finalise arrangements and relevant updates will be communicated to members in due course."

3 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR APPROVAL, RATIFICATION OR NOTING

3.1 Corporate Resources, Policy and Governance Committee held on 31 July 2023 - Circulated

📄 *Minutes for Corporate Resources Policy Governance - 31.07.23.pdf*

Not included

3.2 Neighbourhoods and Communities Committee held on 1 August 2023 - Circulated

📄 *N&C 1Aug23.pdf*

Not included

3.3 Environment and Economy Committee held on 7 August 2023 - Circulated

📄 *08-23 Mins Env Econ.pdf*

Not included

3.4 Audit and Scrutiny Committee held on 8 August 2023 - Circulated

📄 *08.23 Audit Scrutiny Committee Minutes.pdf*

Not included

3.5 Planning Committee held on 15 June 2023 - Circulated

📄 *06-23 Planning Minutes.pdf*

Not included

3.6 Personnel Committee held on 4 July 2023 - Circulated (01.09.23)

📄 *Personnel Committee 04.07.23.pdf*

Not included

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3.7 Personnel Committee held on 9 August 2023 - Circulated (01.09.23)
📎 *Personnel Committee 9.08.23.pdf* *Not included*

3.8 Personnel Committee held on 21 August 2023 - Circulated (01.09.23)
📎 *Personnel Committee 21.08.23.pdf* *Not included*

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4 POLICY FRAMEWORK AND BUDGET

4.1 Approval of the Mid and East Antrim Corporate Plan 2023-2024 - Report circulated
📎 *Approval of the Mid and East Antrim Corporate Plan 2023-2024.pdf* *Not included*

📎 *Appendix 1 Draft Corporate Plan 2023-2024.pdf* *Not included*

5 STRATEGIC ISSUES

5.1 Performance Self-Assessment Report 2022-2023 - Report circulated
📎 *Performance Self-Assessment Report 2022-23 - Full Council.pdf* *Not included*

📎 *Appendix 1 Performance Self-Assessment Report 2022-23.pdf* *Not included*

6 ITEMS FOR DECISION - OPEN COUNCIL

6.1 Update on The Executive Office Programme for Asylum Seekers and Refugees - Report circulated
📎 *23.09 Asylum Seekers Funding (002).pdf* *Not included*

📎 *23.09 Appendix One - TEO Programme for Asylum Seekers Outline Proposal Nov 2022.pdf* *Not included*

📎 *23.09 Appendix Two - Draft Terms of Reference Sept 2023.pdf* *Not included*

6.2 Mid and East Antrim Sub-Committees and Appointments to External Organisations - Report circulated
📎 *Sub-Committees Report.pdf* *Not included*

- 📄 *Appendix 1 - Sub-Committee Memberships Final.pdf* *Not included*
- 📄 *Appendix 2 - Draft Schedule of Sub-Committees first meeting dates.pdf* *Not included*
- 📄 *Appendix 3 - Reporting Structure for Representatives on Various Outside Boards, Committees, Partnerships & Groups.pdf* *Not included*

6.3 Business Case Approval – Play Park Investment 2023/24 - Report circulated

- 📄 *Full Council Business Case Approvals - Play Park Investment 2023 24 Marine Gardens and Clough Play Parks.pdf* *Not included*
- 📄 *Business Case - Play Investment 202324 - Marine Gardens Play Park.pdf* *Not included*
- 📄 *Business Case - Play Investment 202324 - Clough Play Park.pdf* *Not included*

6.4 Approval to Progress Portglenone Outdoor Recreation Project - Bracknamuckley - Report circulated

- 📄 *Full Council Report Sept 2023 Approval to progress Portglenone Outdoor Recreation Project - Bracknamuckley.pdf* *Not included*
- 📄 *Appendix 1 CPG DAERA Environment Fund Multi-Year Strategic Fund.pdf* *Not included*
- 📄 *Appendix 2 Business Case - Bracknamuckley Trail Development 202324.pdf* *Not included*

7 MOTIONS

7.1 Notice of Motion proposed by Ald P Reid, seconded by Ald B Ashe, MBE

"That this council agree to rename Larne Memorial Garden and Ballycarry Green to Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Garden and Ballycarry Queen Elizabeth II Green. In recognition and devotion to over 70 years service to our nation."

7.2 Notice of Motion proposed by Cllr A Skinner, seconded by Ald Mrs B Adger, MBE

"This Council recognises the importance of inclusivity and accessibility for all residents of Mid and East Antrim. In order to ensure meaningful representation and engagement of individuals with physical and learning disabilities, we propose the establishment of a Disability Lived Experience Group as a stand-alone subcommittee.

The primary objective of this group will be to provide a platform for individuals with lived experience of disabilities to consult with elected members on adaptations and initiatives that can enhance accessibility throughout our community.

To achieve this, the Council directs its officers to develop a list of options for the formation of the Disability Lived Experience Group. The plan should ensure that the group represents a diverse range of disabilities.

The proposed aims of this group would be to

1. Conduct thorough assessments of existing infrastructure, facilities, and services within Mid and East Antrim.
2. Identify areas for improvement and recommend adaptations to enhance accessibility.
3. Consult and collaborate with elected members to ensure that the needs and perspectives of individuals with disabilities are considered in decision-making processes.
4. Provide feedback on proposed policies, projects and initiatives to ensure they align with the principles of inclusivity and accessibility.

The Council recognises the invaluable insights and expertise that individuals with disabilities can contribute to the development of a more accessible Mid and East Antrim. By establishing this group, we reaffirm our commitment to fostering a community that values and prioritises the needs and aspirations of all its residents.

We hereby request that the Council officers present options to establish a Disability Lived Experience Group/ committee at the earliest opportunity, with a view to its implementation and operation in a timely manner."

8 SEALING

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9 STRATEGIC ISSUES/ITEMS FOR DECISION - CLOSED COUNCIL

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