

May 11th, 2026

To Each Member of Committee

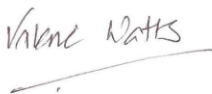
NOTICE OF MEETING

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the

Mid and East Antrim Planning Committee to be held on

Thursday, 14th May 2026 at 10:00 am 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 NOTICE OF MEETING

2 APOLOGIES

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.

4 SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

4.1 Planning Application No. LA02/2024/0899/F – Lands to the North of Premier Inn Hotel and East of Rodgers Quay, Carrickfergus Waterfront, Carrickfergus BT38 8BE - Circulated

Demolition of Existing building and redevelopment for residential comprising of 33 no Apartments (9no. 2 bed and 24no. 3 Bed) within 3 No. Three and half storey buildings including access, car parking, cycle parking, landscaping and all associated site works.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

Lead Officer: Gary McGuinness

📄 [LA02.2024.0899.F Swift Bar.pdf](#)

Not included

4.2 Planning Application No. LA02/2024/0900/DCA – Lands to the North of Premier Inn Hotel and East of Rodgers Quay, Carrickfergus Waterfront, Carrickfergus BT38 8BE - Circulated

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RECOMMENDATION: Approve

Lead Officer: Gary McGuinness

📄 [LA02.2024.0900.DCA Swift Bar DCA.pdf](#)

Not included

4.3 Planning Application No. LA02/2026/0140/F - 119 Broughshane Street, Ballymena, BT43 6EE - Circulated

Change Of Use from Dwelling to House of Multiple Occupation With 2nd Floor Rear Extension

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

Lead Officer: Gary McGuinness

📄 [LA02.2026.0140.F HMO.pdf](#)

Not included

4.4 Planning Application No. LA02/2025/0590/F - Ballylumford Power Station, Ferris Bay Road, Islandmagee, Larne, BT40 3RS - Circulated

300MW Battery Energy Storage System [BESS] facility comprising containerised battery units, transformer units, switch rooms, associated 275kv substation and control room building and all associated plant, equipment, machinery, drainage, underground cabling [including connection to existing 275kV NIE substation], internal access roads, CCTV, site fencing and ancillary development

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

Lead Officer: Henry McAllister

📄 [LA02.2025.0590.F BESS Ballylumford.pdf](#)

Not included

4.5 Planning Application No. LA02/2025/0766/F - Lands approx. 150m SE of No. 37 Ballyhampton Road, Larne, BT40 2ST - Circulated

Proposed Battery Energy Storage System [BESS] facility up to 17MW [4hr-duration] [amendment to previously approved BESS LA02/2022/0739/F] including electricity substation compound, access and ancillary development/site works

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

Lead Officer: Henry McAllister

4.6 Planning Application No. LA02/2025/0183/F - Lands at Lovers Lane, adjacent & South of 49 Gortgole Road, Portglenone - Circulated

Proposed sports and community hub comprising multipurpose pavilion, 4G playing field, play park, 2no. spectator terraces, car parking, landscaping, floodlighting, new access onto and upgrading of Lovers Lane, fencing and ancillary site works

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

Lead Officer: Sean O’Kane

5 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

5.1 Local Development Plan Progress – Elected Members Briefing - Verbal

6 PLANNING APPEALS UPDATE

6.1 New Appeals

- LA02/2026/0087/F - Site Adjacent to 64 Mansefield Heights, Portglenone, BT44 8JR – Infill Townhouse
- LA02/2023/0287/CA - Land at 38 Lisnahilt Road, Broughshane, BT42 4OT - Alleged unauthorised change of use from 1st floor games room in domestic garage to apartment

6.2 Appeal Decisions

- LA02/2024/0203/F - east of 79 Middle Road, south of 1 Town Lane and north and northeast of 1, 3 & 5 Gobbins Road, Ballystrudder

Appeal Dismissed

7 ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION/DECISION

7.1 Revised Statement of Community Involvement - Circulated

📄 *Statement of Community Involvement May 2026.pdf*

Not included

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 DfC Letter – Historic Environment and Site Selection in Local Development Plan Process - Circulated

📄 *DfC Letter LDP.pdf*

Not included