

Corporate Plan 2009-2011



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Who we are

Our Role and Functions

The role and functions of local government are mainly set out in the Local Government Act (NI) 1972. This Act has been amended over the years but essentially the responsibilities of Council fall into three general categories:

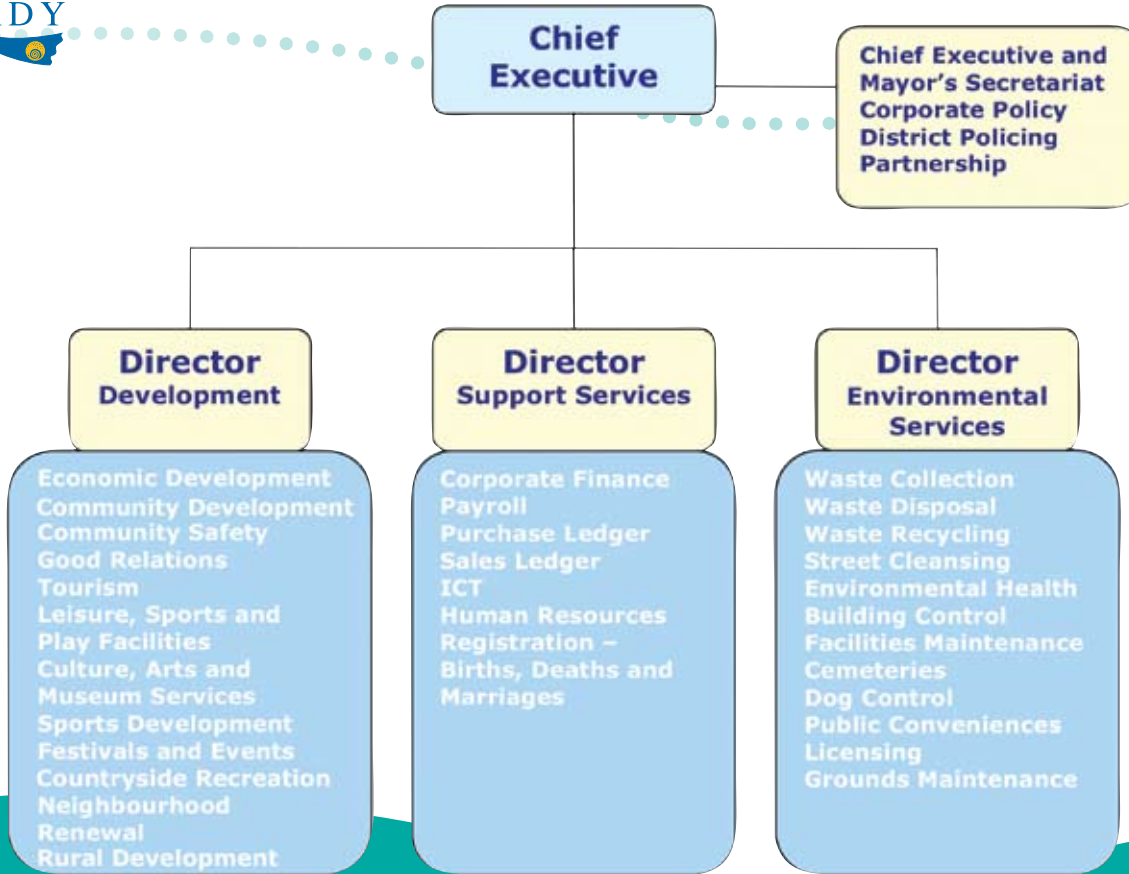
- ⇒ Provision of Direct Services
- ⇒ Representation on Various Statutory, Voluntary and Community Bodies
- ⇒ Civic Leadership

Our Councillors

Limavady Borough Council has 15 members representing the following parties:

Sinn Fein	6 Councillors
DUP	2 Councillors
SDLP	3 Councillors
UUP	2 Councillors
UUCP	2 Councillors

Councillors are elected for a 4 year term of office with 5 Councillors elected to represent each of the electoral wards of Limavady, Bellarena and Benbradagh.



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The Services We Provide

The Council provides a wide variety of services to those living, working and visiting the area.

These include:

- ⇒ A range of recreational, cultural and community facilities
- ⇒ Street cleansing, waste collection and disposal services
- ⇒ Promotion of arts, tourism, economic development, community development
- ⇒ Regulation of various public health and safety activities

Our Finances

Limavady Borough Council has a legal and moral obligation to use its resources in the most efficient and effective way. The Council primarily funds its services in three ways:

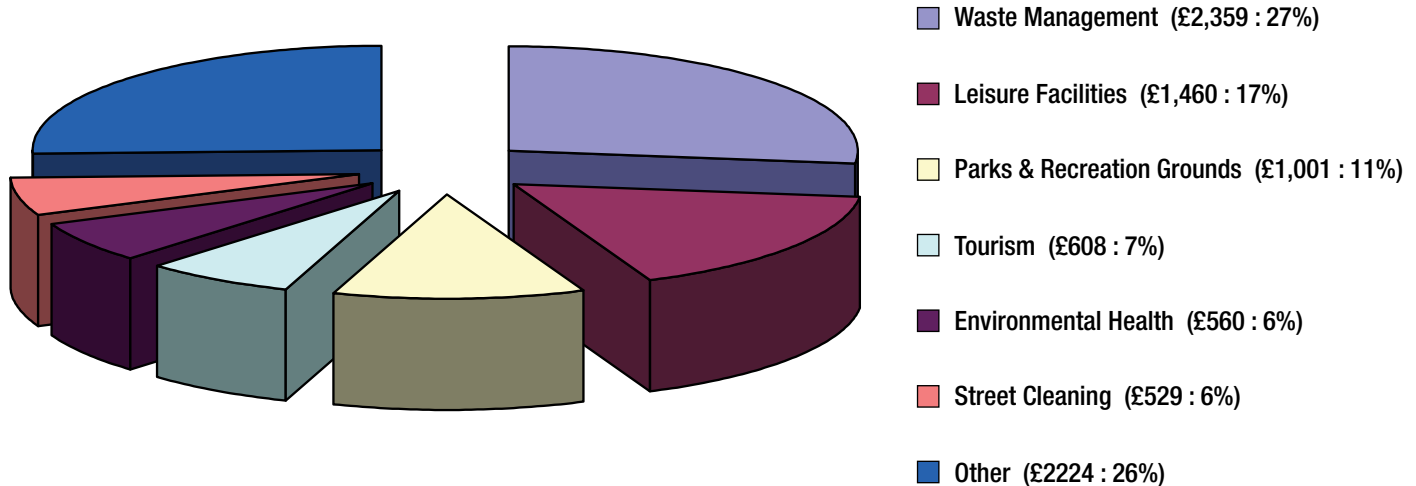
- ⇒ The District Rate
- ⇒ The General Grant
- ⇒ Charging for Services

The District Rate is set annually by the Council and provides the main source of funding for the finances necessary to achieve the objectives of the Corporate Plan. The pie chart outlines how the total net expenditure of £8,741,000 will be used by the Council in 2009/10.

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Rates Estimates 2009/10

NET EXPENDITURE (£000)
TOTAL = £8,741



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Our Future Challenges

The Review of Public Administration

The Review of Public Administration has introduced one of the most far reaching reforms of the public administration system in Northern Ireland. It has now been agreed that Councils will be reorganised with the existing 26 Councils restructured into 11 Councils. Limavady Borough Council will be joining with Ballymoney Borough Council, Coleraine Borough Council and Moyle District Council to create a new local authority to be known at this stage as the “Causeway Coast and Glens District Council”.

This new Council will have responsibility for a wider range of functions including planning, local roads, urban and rural regeneration and

some housing services. The Council will also be required to lead a community planning process, giving local people a say in how the area is developed. All other statutory agencies will be required to work with the new Council in developing and delivering these plans.

Limavady Borough Council will be working steadfastly to maintain and improve our services right up to the formation of the new Council structures and will ensure the needs of the Limavady Borough Council area will continue to be addressed under the new arrangements. This Corporate Plan reflects the work required in preparing to hand over to the new Causeway Coast and Glens District Council in May 2011.

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Our Corporate Plan

This is an exciting time for Limavady Borough Council. The challenges of becoming part of a new modern local authority are just around the corner and this will be the last Corporate Plan produced by Limavady Borough Council.

Our Corporate Plan, however, is a statement of the Council's commitment to the Borough of Limavady over the next two years. This Plan gives focus and direction to the Council, particularly in light of the challenges ahead of us. It is the foundation for our work in the future and will influence and shape what we do and how we do it until 2011.

The Corporate Plan themes and outcome statements have been drawn together following extensive consultation across the Council, elected members, statutory agencies and stakeholders from the community, business and voluntary sectors.

The Corporate Plan will form the basis for year on year annual Business Plans leading us to the formation of the new Council. The Council thanks all those who have contributed to this process.

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Our Vision

“The Limavady Borough
will be a place where people are proud to
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Our Mission

“Provide leadership,
deliver quality services and
promote the area for everyone”

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Everything we do is underpinned by the following values:

- ⇒ Leadership
- ⇒ Integrity
- ⇒ Excellence
- ⇒ Transparency
- ⇒ Fair and Unprejudiced Treatment for All
- ⇒ Respect for All Cultures and Traditions
- ⇒ Sustainability

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Our Corporate Themes

Following extensive consultation with internal and external stakeholders, the Council identified five corporate themes for our Corporate Plan 2009-2011:

- ⇒ Leadership and Governance
- ⇒ Legacy Planning
- ⇒ Quality of Life
- ⇒ People
- ⇒ Sustainable Environment

Outcome statements were also developed for each corporate theme and these focus on what we want to achieve against each theme.

Leadership and Governance

What This Means:

The Council will provide effective, strong leadership for the Borough and its citizens and will also hold itself accountable to its local community.

Outcome Statements:

- Limavady Borough Council will lead change and positively position the current Council area to benefit from opportunities presented in the new Council arrangement.
- Limavady Borough Council will continuously improve its systems and processes to ensure that they are fit for purpose.
- Limavady Borough Council will communicate in an open and transparent manner with its citizens and stakeholders.

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Legacy Planning

What This Means:

The Council will respond to the challenges of the development of new local authority structures and will support and address local needs and interests during this process.

Outcome Statements:

- Limavady Borough Council will support its citizens members and employees to be well placed to influence the new Council structures and benefit from them.
- Limavady Borough Council will establish or further develop joint working with its partner Councils in the new Council structure.
- Limavady Borough Council will have taken decisions which leave quality and sustainable capital assets which will benefit its citizens over and beyond the timeframe of the Council and its Corporate Plan.

What This Means:

The Council will aim to provide opportunities for improved health, well being and quality of life within the Borough.

Outcome Statements:

- The Quality of Life of our citizens will be enhanced through access to high quality green space, parks, sports and recreational facilities and services.
- Contribute to combating health inequalities throughout the Borough.
- Limavady Borough will be a safer place for our citizens to live, work and play.

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People

What This Means:

Council recognises the importance of involving and informing its citizens and developing its employees.

Outcome Statements:

- Our people will be more engaged with the Council and involved, where appropriate, with our planning and decision making processes.
- The Borough will be a place which respects diversity in all of its forms including culture, ethnicity, religion, age and gender.
- The Council will work in partnership to create opportunities for our people to develop their skills and capacity to contribute to the overall vision for Limavady.

Sustainable Environment

What This Means:

The Council will be environmentally responsible and will encourage others to adopt the same approach.

Outcome Statements:

- Limavady Borough Council will meet, and where possible exceed, its targets in respect of waste management.
- Limavady Borough Council will work in partnership, cross sectorally, to increase awareness of the environment, bio-diversity and a sustainable development ethos.
- Limavady Borough Council will reduce its carbon footprint.

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