

Press information

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The National Trust welcomes outcome of Moyle District Council meeting

The National Trust, Northern Ireland's largest conservation charity, this afternoon welcomed the decision by Moyle District Council that visitor facilities for the Giant's Causeway should remain in public ownership.

The Trust's Regional Director, Hilary McGrady, said:

"This decision by Moyle District Council reflects growing public opinion that visitor facilities at Northern Ireland's only World Heritage Site, the Giant's Causeway, should remain in public ownership. We believe that this is the only way to ensure that all surplus income from the site is re-invested in the conservation of the World Heritage Site and for the direct benefit of the surrounding area.

"The National Trust and Moyle District Council have been working in partnership with DETI and NITB since 2003 towards an agreed solution for world class visitor facilities. Today's decision by the Council is further confirmation of the importance of working together in partnership to achieve world class visitor facilities at the World Heritage Site," the Director concluded.

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