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**Democratic Services Section
Chief Executive's Department
Belfast City Council
City Hall
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2nd January, 2018

MEETING OF COUNCIL

Dear Alderman/Councillor,

In addition to those matters previously notified to you, the following motion, which was received within the requisite timeframe, will also be considered at the meeting to be held at 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 3rd January, 2018.

Yours faithfully,

SUZANNE WYLIE

Chief Executive

AGENDA:

12. **Notices of Motion**

(e) Bus Lanes

Proposed by Councillor Beattie,

Seconded by Councillor McVeigh,

“This Council shall submit to the Department for Infrastructure a corporate response to the Consultation on Bus Lanes within Belfast, as follows:

The Belfast Rapid Transport (BRT) lanes should not operate from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. from Monday to Saturday;

Operation hours of 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. from Monday to Friday is sufficient for the operation of the BRT lane without general traffic;

Ordinary drivers and businesses in the area will suffer badly, funerals processions will be affected and taxi drivers will find it increasingly difficult to earn a decent wage;

All taxis should be allowed into all BRT routes and all bus lanes in Belfast on a permanent basis; and

The recent twelve-week trial allowing all taxis to use the lanes in East and West Belfast and in the City centre was a success and made a noticeable improvement to traffic on these routes and should now be introduced across Belfast in all lanes permanently.”

**(To be referred, without discussion, to the
City Growth and Regeneration Committee)**