

## BELFAST CITY COUNCIL

### SUMMONS TO ATTEND THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

**TO: THE LORD MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND THE COUNCILLORS OF BELFAST CITY COUNCIL**

Notice is hereby given that the monthly meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Belfast on Tuesday, 3rd January, 2017 at 6.00 pm, for the transaction of the following business:

1. Summons
2. Apologies
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council of 1st December, 2016 (Pages 1 - 8)
5. Official Announcements
6. Minutes of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee of 16th December, 2016 (Pages 9 - 54)
7. Minutes of the People and Communities Committee of 6th December, 2016 (Pages 55 - 78)
8. Minutes of the City Growth and Regeneration Committee of 7th December, 2016 (Pages 79 - 106)
9. Minutes of the Licensing Committee of 14th December, 2016 (Pages 107 - 132)
10. Minutes of the Planning Committee of 13th December, 2016 (Pages 133 - 150)
11. Notices of Motion
  - a) Irish Presidential Elections

Councillor Carson to move:

"This Council supports the call to implement the recommendation by the Constitutional Convention to extend the franchise to include all Irish citizens, regardless of their place of residency, to vote in the next and all future Presidential elections."

**(To be debated by the Council)**

b) Outcomes Based Accountability

Alderman Convery to move:

"Belfast City Council notes that the Programme for Government has been developed under the Outcome Based Accountability (OBA) principles.

Belfast City Council notes that two Outcome Based Accountability (OBA) pilots have been taken forward in Whiterock and Inner East, as part of the Belfast Agenda.

Belfast City Council agrees to embed the OBA principles in all Council decision making processes in the Council to make sure we achieve outcomes which show measurable improvements for people and communities in every part of the city.

**(To be referred to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee)**

c) Donations to Political Parties

Councillor Nicholl to move:

"This Council notes a motion passed in March, 2016, regarding the transparency of donations made to political parties, recognises the importance which the citizens of Belfast place on being able to trust their Elected Representatives to work for the common good, further recognises the corrupting influence which money can have on the political decision- making process and considers it unacceptable that donations to political parties continue to remain secret in Northern Ireland.

The Council notes correspondence which was received from the previous Secretary of State, dated 5th April, 2016, stating that the time was not appropriate to move to full transparency, however, given current low levels of public confidence in transparency of Government, it calls on the new Secretary of State to immediately lift the exemption to reveal all declared donations to political parties since January 2014 and calls also on all political parties to voluntarily publish donations from this time."

**(To be debated by the Council)**

d) Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme

Alderman R. Patterson to move:

"This Council notes the serious public concern amongst our constituents in relation to financial squander around the Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme.

The Council agrees to write to the Secretary of State, as public representatives, highlighting the huge public interest in relation to this matter and, accordingly, requests that he initiates a full public inquiry, pursuant to his discretion contained within Section 1 of the Inquiries Act 2005.

The Council agrees also to write to the Joint First Minister, Arlene Foster, expressing our belief, as a Council, that she should step aside pending a full public inquiry into this extraordinarily serious matter and the allegations of corruption which have been made by a former Government Minister from her own Party."

**(To be debated by the Council)**

- e) Concessionary Travel Pass

Councillor Heading to move:

"This Council notes the recent establishment of the Smart Pass Equality Campaign, endorses its call for the full fare concessionary travel pass to be issued to all people who are unable to drive for medical reason and agrees to write to the Minister for Infrastructure and the Minister for Finance urging them to implement this extension as soon as possible."

**(To be debated by the Council)**

- a) FIELD\_TITLE FIELD\_PAGE\_RANGE

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The Members of Belfast City Council are hereby summoned to attend.



Chief Executive