

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, 2nd May, 2017 at 6.00 pm., for the transaction of the following business:

1. Summons
2. Apologies
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Minutes of Council (Pages 1 - 10)
5. Official Announcements
6. Strategic Policy and Resources Committee (Pages 11 - 44)
7. People and Communities Committee (Pages 45 - 94)

a) Traffic Regulation Order (Northern Ireland) 2017

As required under Phase IV of the Council's Alleygating Scheme, to pass a resolution to make a Belfast City Council Traffic Regulation Order (Northern Ireland) 2017 for each of North, South, East and West Belfast, which will come into effect on 2nd May, 2017, prohibiting the use by vehicles and pedestrians of those streets in North, South, East and West Belfast, as set out within the minute of the meeting of the People and Communities Committee of 4th April, 2017.

8. City Growth and Regeneration Committee (Pages 95 - 144)
9. Licensing Committee (Pages 145 - 158)
10. Planning Committee (Pages 159 - 174)
11. Notices of Motion

a) Mental Health and Addiction Support Services

Proposed by Councillor O'Hara,
Seconded by Councillor McCabe,

"In recognition of the devastation that many families face when losing loved ones due to drug and alcohol misuse, or the impact of suicide within our communities, we recognise the need for a City wide response to support our communities in dealing with these issues.

As the Council has committed, through the Belfast Agenda, to 'design and deliver an integrated city programme to address health inequalities, including enhancing mental wellbeing and reducing social isolation', we agree to establish a forum with our strategic and community partners to address the critical issues of mental health and drug and alcohol addiction support services.

Through this discussion, we aim to identify current levels of provision across drug, alcohol, and mental health services through a mapping exercise, begin a strategic discussion about a dual diagnosis model and to develop a cohesive and co-ordinated strategy on positive mental health for our citizens.”

(To be debated by the Council)

b) Affordable Warmth Scheme

Proposed by Councillor Attwood,
Seconded by Councillor Heading,

“This Council notes that the Affordable Warmth Scheme, administered by the Council, worth almost £1.2m a year, which offers low-income households grants, has been slashed in half due to the failure to agree a budget.

The Council agrees that this fund is vital to improve energy efficiency through measures such as loft insulation and replacement boilers.

Accordingly, the Council agrees to write to Department for Communities to express its deep concern about these cuts and calls upon that Department to fully restore the fund.”

**(To be referred without discussion to the
People and Communities Committee)**

c) Use of Bus Lanes by Taxis

Proposed by Councillor Beattie,
Seconded by Councillor Reynolds,

“This Council supports the decision by the Department for Infrastructure to introduce the twelve week trial period permitting all taxis to use the Belfast Rapid Transit bus lanes and agrees to write to the Department for Infrastructure a letter of support to extend the duration of the trial period for an additional six months and expand the trial to include all Belfast bus lanes.”

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

d) Stained Glass Window - 321 Explosives Ordnance Disposal Company

Proposed by Councillor Graham,
Seconded by Councillor Johnston,

“This Council acknowledges the vital role which 321 Explosives Ordnance Disposal Company, Royal Army Ordnance Corps, has provided to our City and its citizens over a number of decades. Their sacrifice and dedication has saved many lives and helped preserve our city from those who would physically destroy it. The Council agrees to commission a stained glass window to acknowledge their dedication and service and install this in an appropriate location in the City Hall.”

**(To be referred without discussion to the
Strategic Policy and Resources Committee)**

e) Housing Provision in Belfast

Proposed by Councillor Collins,
Seconded by Councillor McCabe,

"This Council recognises the severe shortage in social housing across the City, and the detrimental effect which this is having on many citizens in Belfast. It also notes the important work that Belfast housing rights organisations and campaigners have done to highlight this problem in some of the most socially deprived areas of Belfast, by working with the homeless and people in poor housing to identify solutions to the housing crisis. One such solution is to maximise the use of available land right across the City for new build social housing.

In particular, the Council notes the concentration of housing stress in North Belfast and the ongoing campaign by residents and housing rights activists to ensure that a number of sites in North Belfast reach their full social housing potential. The Council calls for a reconsideration of the zoning of redevelopment sites to reflect the necessity to build social housing in North Belfast, in order to deliver a real reprieve to the acute housing crisis in this part of the City."

**(To be referred without discussion to the
Planning Committee)**

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



Chief Executive