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 Wednesday, 3rd January, 2018 at 6.00 pm., for the transaction of the following business:

- 1. Summons
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Declarations of Interest
- 4. Minutes of the Council (Pages 1 10)
- 5. Request to Address the Council

To consider a request from a representative of County Antrim Boxing to address the Council on the Boxing Strategy and its funding in future years.

- 6. Official Announcements
- 7. <u>Strategic Policy and Resources Committee</u> (Pages 11 42)
 - a) Amendment to Standing Order 30

In accordance with Standing Order 64, to pass, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 15th December, a Resolution amending Standing Order 30 to read as follows: "A Member shall not impute motives or use offensive expression in reference to any person or section of society, including any such expression that shows contempt in relation to their race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, religious belief, age or disability."

- 8. <u>People and Communities Committee</u> (Pages 43 72)
- 9. City Growth and Regeneration Committee (Pages 73 100)
- 10. Licensing Committee (Pages 101 132)
- 11. Planning Committee (Pages 133 144)
- 12. Notices of Motion

a) Sustainable Food Policy for Belfast

Proposed by Councillor Mullan,

Seconded by Alderman Spence,

"Given the number of cities which have developed a sustainable food policy, this Council agrees to develop such a policy for Belfast, looking in particular at the opportunities which such an initiative could offer, including the employability potential."

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

b) Audio Recording of Area Working Group Meetings

Proposed by Councillor Mc Reynolds,

Seconded by Councillor O'Neill,

"This Council recognises the important role that transparency, accountability and openness play in strengthening the trust of the public in their representatives; notes the important role which the audio recording of Committee meetings since January 2016 has played in that process; acknowledges that the Area Working Groups perform a vital function in allocating sums of money to worthwhile projects across Belfast; and that they will have an additional important role with the upcoming local area plans.

Accordingly, the Council agrees to commence the recording of all Area Working Group meetings to demonstrate to the public that resources are being allocated openly, fairly and transparently."

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

c) Transparency of Council Funding

Proposed by Councillor McDonough-Brown,

Seconded by Councillor Long,

"In light of the recent recommendation from the Northern Ireland Audit Office report, this Council agrees to review the processes regarding the Local Investment Fund (LIF) and the Belfast Investment Fund (BIF) to consider the appropriateness and effectiveness of the method of funding projects. The Council believes that future Council funding should follow an open process with the advertisement of funding, have strategic objectives and have measurable outcomes."

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

d) Housing Provision in Belfast

Proposed by Councillor Armitage,

Seconded by Councillor Nicholl,

"This Council notes that, with the Belfast Agenda and the Local Development Plan coming into reality, there will be a need for 66,000 new housing units by 2035. This will need an imaginative response by all, including the Council.

The Council calls upon all statutory bodies to review their land ownership and to determine if any such land is surplus and suitable for housing. Subject to legal requirements, the Council asks that consideration be given to making that land available to meet any identified housing needs and projected needs in terms of growth.

The Council is committed to a shared future and, therefore, is committed to shared housing. This shared housing should consist of community background, private and social housing."

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

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

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