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 Thursday, 1st February, 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 Meeting of 3rd January, 2018 (Pages 1 8)
 - a) Amendment to Standing Order 30

To affirm the Council's decision of 3rd January to pass 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."

5. Requests to Address the Council

(To consider requests from a representative of the Belfast Islamic Community and of the Belfast Jewish Community to address the Council in relation to the motion on Inter-Faith being proposed by Councillor Armitage.)

- 6. Official Announcements
- 7. Strategic Policy and Resources Committee of 5th and 19th January, 2018 (Pages 9 64)
 - a) City Centre Social Outcomes Fund Update Proposed Recasting to Support the City's Growing Tourism Infrastructure (Pages 65 72)

In light of the legal opinion received, to adopt the minute of the meeting of 20th October, 2017, under the heading "City Centre Social Outcomes Fund Update – Proposed Recasting to Support the City's Growing Tourism Infrastructure", which was called in.

- 8. People and Communities Committee of 9th January, 2018 (Pages 73 96)
- 9. City Growth and Regeneration Committee of 10th and 24th January, 2018 (Pages 97 136)
- 10. Licensing Committee of 17th January, 2018 (Pages 137 142)
- 11. Planning Committee of 16th January, 2018 (Pages 143 154)
- 12. Belfast Waterfront and Ulster Hall Limited Shareholders' Committee of 22nd January, 2018 (Pages 155 158)

13. Notices of Motion

a) Dementia Friendly City

Proposed by the High Sheriff (Councillor Howard), Seconded by the Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Copeland),

"This Council supports making Belfast a Dementia Friendly City and, by doing so, would envisage each business and transport provider signing up to having a Dementia Champion and to take part in Dementia awareness training."

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

b) Room of Reflection in City Hall

Proposed by Councillor Boyle, Seconded by Councillor Mullan,

"This Council believes that Belfast should be a place where everyone feels welcome and safe, where they are treated fairly and with respect in a shared City that values diversity and encourages civic participation.

Accordingly, the Council agrees to provide in the City Hall a quiet room/room of reflection which can be used by persons of all faiths and none to facilitate those citizens of Belfast and further afield who wish to have a private time out of the hustle and bustle of City life."

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

c) Inter-Faith

Proposed by Councillor Armitage, Seconded by Councillor Lyons,

"This Council recognises the long history of all faiths in Belfast. The Council also appreciates the positive investment that each faith has placed in the City and celebrates the diverse cultural heritage that has been produced by all faiths and acknowledges the role of social justice that has enhanced Belfast.

As a City, we are keen to recognise the equality of all faiths, as well as those who describe themselves as atheists or agnostic.

It saddens this Council to see recent anti-religious actions, especially against the Jewish Faith and the Islamic Faith, and so we would like to honour the work of all faiths by inviting them to attend a civic reception hosted by the Lord Mayor."

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

d) Audio Recording of Council Working Groups

Proposed by Alderman Rodgers, Seconded by Councillor Johnston,

"This Council recognises the need for openness, transparency and accountability in how it transacts its business. In order for this to happen, the Council agrees to audio record all meetings of Council Working Groups not presently included in the policy, namely:

- Audit and Risk Panel
- Budget and Transformation Panel
- Party Leaders' Forum
- North Foreshore Members' Steering Group
- Reference Group on Older People
- Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Development Working Group
- Shared City Partnership and
- Historic Working Group."

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

e) Problem Parking

Proposed by Councillor Dorrian, Seconded by Councillor Lyons,

"This Council recognises the concerns of many communities across Belfast in respect to 'problem parking' in their neighbourhoods, primarily during day time work hours, and recognises the need for further substantive engagement to address and resolve this issue.

To date, strategies and campaigns have had minimal impact in solving these communities' difficulties.

In mind of ambitious investment and expansion plans contained in the Belfast Agenda, the Council calls for immediate, co-ordinated action to improve parking measures and notes the lack of enforcement action to date with respect to bus and cycle lanes.

This motion also reaffirms the Council's commitment to full implementation of its car parking strategy, delivering proper parking infrastructure and taking appropriate action against those who show daily disregard for local communities."

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

f) Support for People with Anaphylaxis

Proposed by Councillor Nicholl, Seconded by Councillor Long,

"This Council commits to seeking ways to better support people with anaphylaxis living within and visiting the City, including by considering ways to help raise awareness of the condition and reviewing support and facilities available for them in Council amenities."

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

g) Provision of Water Refill Points

Proposed by Councillor Milne, Seconded by Councillor Kyle,

"This Council notes that many cities in the UK and Ireland are taking action against plastic waste by implementing free water refill points. Notably, Bristol has been implementing a very successful refill scheme since 2015, and London has recently pledged to increase the availability of water refill points to help limit the amount of recyclable waste sent to landfill.

Not only will increasing the provision of free water refill points help reduce plastic waste, but increased access to water can contribute towards people living a healthier lifestyle.

The Council, therefore, agrees to assess the feasibility of implementing a bottle refill initiative. Additionally, it will write to the Belfast Chamber of Commerce seeking to determine whether local shops and businesses can work together to provide access to public drinking water. This could potentially increase footfall within local businesses and even further improve the public relations impact of our business community."

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

h) Leisure Transformation Programme

Proposed by Councillor Collins, Seconded by Councillor Milne,

"This Council notes with deep concern news that potential job losses are being considered across leisure services in 2018. In line with the trades union movement, the Council is opposed to any job losses as part of the leisure transformation programme, whether through voluntary or involuntary redundancy.

"Furthermore, the Council believes that it is vital that staff are protected and allowed to retain their terms and conditions throughout the leisure transformation programme. To this end, the Council is deeply concerned that, in regards to Andersonstown Leisure Centre, management are effectively preventing staff from returning to their workplace under their former terms and conditions. The Council considers it crucial that staff should be afforded the right to return to Andersonstown Leisure Centre after the redevelopment and under their current employment contracts, with no changes to their terms and conditions, if they so wish to."

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

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

Chief Executive

Suzame Wylie