## Belfast City Council – Decisions taken by the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on Friday, 22 May 2020

## Part A – Items considered in public

1	Declarations of Interest	
2a	Finance Update	Noted.
3a	Customer Focus Programme Update	<ul> <li>noted the update on the Customer Focus Programme;</li> <li>noted the progress to date on the development of the Council's new Website; and</li> <li>noted the arrangements in place to protect the investment and manage customer channels and supporting infrastructure effectively.</li> <li>A request made in respect of telephony and the ability to speak to an operator is being factored into the system design process.</li> </ul>
3b	Update on progress with the detailed assessment for nitrogen dioxide (NO2) and fine particulate matter (PM2.5) for the city	<ul> <li>noted the contents of the report concerning the likely requirements of completing a detailed ambient air quality review and assessment for NO2 and PM2.5 for the city;</li> <li>noted the offer of match funding in the 2020-2021 financial year by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs to support delivery of the project; and</li> <li>noted that a report, which would include proposed monitoring locations, would be submitted to Committee after the aforementioned technical assessment had been undertaken.</li> </ul>
4a	Contracts Update	<ul> <li>approved the public advertisement of tenders as per Standing Order 37a detailed in Appendix 1 (Table 1);</li> <li>approved the award of STAs in line with Standing Order 55 exceptions as detailed in Appendix 1 (Table 2); and</li> <li>noted that the Council had an existing contract with LPS for the provision of detailed property surveys and agreed (at the request of the LPS) that this contract would be extended for another year.</li> </ul>
4b	Inclusive Growth: Update on the development of a Social Value	Noted the work currently ongoing in relation to Social Value and Ethical Procurement.

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	Procurement Framework and an Ethical Procurement Policy	
5a	Request for Award of Freedom of the City	Agreed to award the Freedom of the City to our healthcare workers and all those that are working tirelessly on the frontline to care for vulnerable citizens and that a report to outline proposed arrangements for this would be submitted in due course.  The event would be a city wide recognition of all those frontline workers who had been engaged in the providing services through the current emergency with citizen and community participation.
6a	Equality and Diversity - Quarter 4 Equality Screening and Rural Needs Outcome Report	Noted.
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