

Belfast City Council

Subject:	Notice of Motion – Clean Indoor Air Motion
Date:	29th August, 2023
Reporting Officer:	Nora Largey, Interim City Solicitor/Director of Legal and Civic Services
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Restricted Reports				
Is this report restricted?	Yes No X			
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?				
After Committee Decision				
After Council Decision				
Sometime in the future				
Never				

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes X No

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To consider the Notice of Motion received for the meeting of the Council on 4th September
	in relation to a Clean Indoor Air Motion.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is asked to note that the motion will be referred to the Strategic Policy and
	Resources Committee.

3.0	Main Report	
	Key Issues	
3.1		mittee will be aware that Standing Orders 13 (m) to (r), as agreed by the Council at g on 4th October, are as follows:
	(m)	The Standards and Business Committee will have delegated authority to adopt or reject Notices of Motion. The Lord Mayor will indicate at the Council meeting those Notices of Motion that have been considered by the Standards and Business Committee and whether such Notices of Motion were rejected or adopted. In either case, the proposer only may speak on the issue at Council.
	(n)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer all Notices of Motion directly to a standing committee when the matter to which the Notice of Motion refers falls within the remit of that committee. At Council, the Lord Mayor will indicate that the Notice of Motion was received and referred. There will be no speakers on such Notices of Motion at Council.
	(0)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter.
	(p)	The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate.
	(q)	Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting.
	(r)	In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies.
3.2	The follow	ving motion has been received:
	<u>Clean Inc</u>	loor Air Motion
	"Having learned lessons of the importance of ventilation and clean indoor air for health and productivity during the Covid pandemic; and seeking to take all reasonable steps to enable use of all Council facilities by all citizens, including the most vulnerable and so further inclusion; and seeking to care for the health and wellbeing of Council employees, this Council will commit to signing and implementing The COVID Safety Pledge; to report on steps already taken to prioritise clean indoor air in Belfast City Hall and other Council owned and occupied premises, and on what further or additional steps could be taken to improve indoor air quality and information about indoor air quality for employees and service users; and to develop and promote advice that can be followed to provide clean indoor air at events supported by Belfast City Council."	
	Proposer:	Councillor Jenna Maghie
	Seconder	: Councillor Brian Smyth

3.3	The motion calls upon the Council, amongst other things, to prioritise clean indoor air in Belfast City Hall and other Council-owned and occupied premises. The motion should be referred in the first instance to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee which has responsibility for managing and maintaining the corporate land bank and city assets, including the City Hall.
3.4	Financial and Resource Implications None associated with this report.
3.5	Equality or Good Relations Implications/ Rural Needs Assessment None.
4.0	Documents Attached
	None.