



Subject:	Motion – Clean Indoor Air
Date:	22nd September, 2023
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Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
	To bring to Members' attention a motion on Clean Indoor Air, which the Standards and Business Committee considered at its meeting on 29th August.
2.0	Recommendation
	The Committee is asked to consider the motion.
3.0	Main Report
	<u>Key Issues</u>
3.1	The Standards and Business Committee, at its meeting on 29th August, considered the following motion which had been received for submission to the Council on 4th September:

Clean Indoor Air

“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.”

The motion was proposed by Councillor Maghie and seconded by Councillor Smyth.

3.2 As 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, it was agreed that it 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.

Financial and Resource Implications

None at this stage.

Equality or Good Relations Implications / Rural Needs Assessment

This motion, if agreed, may have potential equality, good relations and rural needs implications and should be subject to our normal screening process as appropriate.

Documents Attached

None