

Subject:	Notices of Motion – Quarterly Update	
Date:	10 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	This report provides a quarterly update on the Notices of Motion that the City Growth &

	Generation (CG&R) Committee is responsible for, in line with the agreement of the Strategic Policy & Resources (SP&R) Committee that all standing committees receive regular updates.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	<ul> <li>It is recommended that the Committee:</li> <li>Notes the updates to all Notices of Motion that this Committee is responsible for as referenced in Appendix 1; and</li> <li>Agrees to the closure of seven Notices of Motion, as referenced in Appendix 1 and noted in paragraph 3.4 below.</li> </ul>
3.0	Main report
3.1	At the SP&R Committee meeting on 25th October 2019, members agreed "that this Council notes that other Councils produce a monthly status report in relation to Notices of Motion; and agrees Belfast City Council adopts a similar practice and produces a monthly Notice of Motion Update which will be brought to each full Council Meeting, detailing the following:  1. Date received 2. Notice of motion title 3. Submitted by which Councillor 4. Council meeting date 5. Committee motion is referred to 6. Outcome of committee where Notice of Motion will be debated 7. Month it will be reported back to committee 8. Other action to be taken."
3.2	It was subsequently agreed that quarterly updates would be brought to the council's statutory committees providing a regular update on the progress of each motion for which the committee is responsible for.
3.3	At the <u>SP&amp;R Committee on 20th November 2020</u> , members approved the arrangement for the future management of motions, which included recommendations that Notices of Motion could be closed for one of two reasons:
	Category 1 – Notice of Motion contained an action that has been completed.  All Notices of Motion within this category contained a specific task that has since been complete. It is worth noting that, when Committee agree to action a Motion, there are sometimes additional actions agreed alongside the Motion. As these are not technically part of the Notice of Motion, they are taken forward through normal committee decision making processes. The Notice of Motion can therefore be closed, but additional actions related to it will continue to be progressed and reported to the committee.

 Category 2 - Notice of Motion has become Council policy or absorbed into a strategic programme of work.

These Motions did not contain a specific task that could be completed but rather they are more strategic in nature and require changes in Council policy and/ or strategy for long term outcomes. Those listed within this category have all been agreed by Committee and are now either Council policy or are currently being implemented through a Council strategy that is managed by a Standing Committee through the corporate planning process.

There are presently 11 Notices of Motion and Issues Raised in Advance for which the CG&R Committee is responsible for. Members are asked to approve the recommendation to close seven motions (detailed below) and note status updates for the remaining four motions which remain open. Additional information is included at Appendix 1.

# Category 1 Recommended Closures:

- Review of the Belfast Bikes Scheme (ID = 72).
- Disabled Parking Accreditation Scheme (ID = 153).
- Translink Night-time provision of services (ID = 289).
- Support the network of WW2-era Pillboxes (ID = 303).
- Cathedral Quarter (ID = 318).
- Late Night Public Transport (ID = 349).

## Category 2 Recommended Closures:

Street Art Walls (ID = 329).

# 3.5 Financial & Resource Implications

There are no additional financial implications attached to this report. Finance and resource implications are considered by Committee when taking decisions on the specific Notices of Motion and Issues Raised by Members.

3.6 Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment

There are no equality, good relations or rural needs implications contained in this report.

# 4.0 Appendices – Documents attached

**Appendix 1:** Notices of Motion Live Database – CG&R Committee