

# Belfast City Council Notice of Motion Database

Ref	Type	Meeting Date	Duration	Motion Title	Proposed by	Reporting Committee	Reporting Officer	Lead Department	Status	Status Update
7	Notice of Motion	09/04/2018	5y 11m	<a href="#">Childcare Strategy</a>	Cllr Mal O'Hara	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	It was agreed at SP&R October 23 that this NOM would remain open, to allow for a further report to be submitted. UPDATE (March 2024): SP&R Committee agreed at its meeting on 23 February 2024 to request All-Party delegation meetings with each of the new NICS Ministers. The need for the Child Care Strategy and associated considerations will be incorporated within the agenda and areas for discussion with the relevant NICS Ministers and Departmental Officials.
23	Notice of Motion	01/07/2019	4y 9m	<a href="#">Removal of Banners and Paramilitary Flags in Belfast</a>	Cllr Ciaran Beattie	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	Consultation delayed due to Covid-19. Since the decision by SP &R in 2019, the FICT report commissioned by The Executive was published which covers similar issues. Extensive consultation was undertaken between 2016 - 19 on this and the contents of this report have the agreement of the 5 main political parties represented on the Commission  Report to be brought to CMT and potentially Party Group Leaders for discussion on way forward.
25	Issue Raised in Advance	23/08/2019	4y 7m	<a href="#">Abortion Imagery</a>	Cllr Aine Groogan	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	On 26 June 2023 the SP&R Committee agreed that the draft Bye Laws be issued for formal public consultation commencing in September 2023. At the Oct 23 Cttee it was agreed that this would remain open awaiting outcome of planned consultation. Consultation commenced on 27 November 2023 and concluded on 4 March 2024. There was an extremely high level of responses to this consultation and officers are currently working on analysing the responses in preparation for drafting a report on the consultation findings.
35	Notice of Motion	02/12/2019	4y 4m	<a href="#">Pridestrian Animation</a>	Cllr Matt Garrett	SP&R	John Greer	Place & Economy	Ongoing	As previously reported, Officers have engaged with external partners and developed a proposal for a piece of temporary public art. A paper for Committee's consideration will be presented in the coming months.
49	Notice of Motion	03/02/2020	4y 2m	<a href="#">Market Gardens and Urban Farming</a>	Cllr Seamas de Faoite	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	The Climate Team have established a Belfast Sustainable Food Partnership, which is currently developing a sustainable food strategy for the city and will consider the potential for market gardens and urban farming in the city as part of this. Also links with Right to Grow motion. The UPSURGE and UP2030 projects are also looking at the use of green space and nature based solutions, and will include community and urban food growing opportunities.

				<a href="#">Belfast Zoo</a>						Cognisant of the USI Visioning Masterplan, an ongoing programme of works and upgrades continues to progress across the zoo site, with recent works including the refurbishment of the Monkey House. The Assets Team are contributing to an Asset Audit and Development Plan which will result in development plans being produced for several key assets. If the zoo is selected as a priority asset, development plans will include options for improved site utilisation, identification of capital development requirements, interpretation and programming, operational considerations, high level costs and potential sources of financial support. In March 2024, the zoo received an Autism NI Impact Award.
50	Notice of Motion	03/02/2020	4y 2m		Cllr Conor Maskey	SP&R	John Greer	Place & Economy	Ongoing	
51	Notice of Motion	03/02/2020	4y 2m	<a href="#">Growth Deal</a>	Cllr Ciaran Beattie	SP&R	Sharon McNicholl	Corporate Services	Ongoing	To be progressed as resources become available.
				<a href="#">Disabled People and Older People</a>						10.01.23 Part one of this motion in relation to older people and inclusivity is now recommended for closure due to the above update. However there are further actions and updates to be gained in relation to accessibility and inclusivity with regards to disabled people and in a wider sense. Therefore this motion has been left as on-going until these further updates are obtained
74	Issue Raised in Advance	19/06/2020	3y 9m		Cllr Ross McMullan	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
131	Notice of Motion	02/11/2020	3y 5m	<a href="#">Sealing of the Records of Mother and Baby Homes</a>	Cllr Michael Collins	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	Response from Irish Gov still outstanding - 06/09/21
				<a href="#">World Environment Day</a>						The Climate Team is developing a calendar of key dates with Corporate Communications, ensuring appropriate messaging is developed in advance. The Communication Plan will be delivered through the BCC Climate Action Plan.
138	Notice of Motion	07/12/2020	3y 4m		Cllr Matt Garrett	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Recommend Close	
167	Notice of Motion	01/04/2021	3y 0m	<a href="#">Violence against Women and Girls</a>	Cllr Sian Mulholland	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	To be progressed as resources become available
				<a href="#">10 Per Cent Pay Increase for Council Workers</a>						Work continues to develop an updated Pay and Grading Structure in line with the rate setting process for FY 2024/25. It is anticipated that an update will be brought to SP&R on the P&G structure and assimilation ahead of finalising the rate. Proposals for an updated Pay and Grading Structure were brought to SP&R in February in line with the rate setting process for FY 2024/25. TU is in the process of balloting members on the formal offer."
171	Notice of Motion	01/04/2021	3y 0m		Cllr Matt Collins	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	
				<a href="#">Mater Hospital Services</a>						This motion related to provision of services during the pandemic - this was resolved with services returning to normal from November 2022. 12.03.23 This motion recommendation for closure was rejected at Feb SP&R and therefore remains on-going
176	Notice of Motion	04/05/2021	2y 11m		Cllr Fiona Ferguson	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
				<a href="#">Local Government Pension Scheme - Responsible Investment Strategy</a>						Letter sent 2/7/21. Meeting with NILGOSC requested by S P and R 20/8/21 - to be arranged
187	Notice of Motion	01/06/2021	2y 10m		Cllr Ryan Murphy	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
189	Notice of Motion	01/06/2021	2y 10m	<a href="#">PEACE IV to PEACE PLUS Programmes</a>	Cllr John Kyle	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	Letters sent 2/7/21. Response received from SEUPB 20/7/21 - TEO yet to respond
195	Notice of Motion	01/07/2021	2y 9m	<a href="#">Chat Bench and Tackling Loneliness</a>	Cllr Carole Howard	SP&R	Sinead Grimes	Property & Projects	Ongoing	To be progressed as resources become available. The NoM is wider than just physical projects.

197	Notice of Motion	01/09/2021	2y 7m	<a href="#">The Rights of Nature</a>	Cllr Brian Smyth	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	Research and engagement ongoing to understand related initiatives such as biodiversity net gain and nature positive as part of Council Climate Action Plan which will be brought to Council for approval in due course.
199	Notice of Motion	01/09/2021	2y 7m	<a href="#">Four-Day Working Week</a>	Cllr Matt Garrett	SP&R	Christine Sheridan	Human Resources	Ongoing	Management to bring a report to future SP&R committee regarding proposals for a 4 day working week pilot.
203	Notice of Motion	04/10/2021	2y 6m	<a href="#">Electric Charging Points</a>	Ald George Dorrian	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	Responses from Ministers being considered by officers
209	Notice of Motion	04/10/2021	2y 6m	<a href="#">Environmentally Sustainable Event Spaces</a>	Cllr Matt Garrett	SP&R	Sinead Grimes	Property & Projects	Ongoing	A report is required to SP&R Committee to outline the next steps. To be discussed at CMT.
225	Issue Raised in Advance	17/12/2021	2y 3m	<a href="#">City Centre Built Heritage</a>	Cllr Ryan Murphy	SP&R	Cathy Reynolds	Place & Economy	Ongoing	Work is ongoing.
228	Notice of Motion	10/01/2022	2y 2m	<a href="#">Playing Pitches in Belfast</a>	Cllr David Brooks	SP&R	David Sales	City & Neighbourhood Services	Ongoing	
235	Notice of Motion	22/02/2022	2y 1m	<a href="#">Energy Price Crises</a>	Cllr Brian Smyth	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	The Climate Team are currently developing an EV Strategy for Belfast which will consider community needs and opportunities. The Belfast Local Area Energy Plan is under development, due to complete in March 2024, this will consider opportunities for community energy initiatives. In parallel discussions are ongoing with projects such as Edenderry District Energy initiative, to explore opportunities to support community ambitions.
243	Notice of Motion	14/03/2022	2y 0m	<a href="#">Cost of Living</a>	Cllr Matt Garrett	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	UPDATE (March 2024) - the 2023/2024 £1m+ hardship programme will be completed on 31 March 2024, with monitoring information on deliverables to be submitted by delivery partners by the 10 May 2024. Correspondence issued to the Department for Communities seeking confirmation on whether hardship funding will be allocated for the 2024/2025 financial year.
257	Issue Raised in Advance	17/06/2022	1y 9m	<a href="#">City Cemetery - Bi-lingual Signage</a>	Cllr Ciaran Beattie	SP&R	Sinead Grimes	Property & Projects	Ongoing	The new City Cemetery visitor centre is open and operational. Dual language signage on the visitor centre is complete. External dual language signs are scheduled to be installation the end of March 2024.
264	Issue Raised in Advance	19/08/2022	1y 7m	<a href="#">Electric Vehicle Charging Points Strategy</a>	Cllr Michael Long	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	The Climate Team plan to present the draft Belfast EV Strategy to SP&R Committee for approval in May 2024 in advance of a public consultation in June. A Belfast EV City group will be established thereafter to support its
280	Issue Raised in Advance	21/10/2022	1y 5m	<a href="#">Fuel Poverty Hardship Fund</a>	Cllr Anthony Flynn	SP&R	David Sales	City & Neighbourhood Services	Ongoing	
283	Issue Raised in Advance	18/11/2022	1y 4m	<a href="#">Memorial to Baroness May Blood</a>	Cllr Micky Murray	SP&R	Sinead Grimes	Property & Projects	Ongoing	Discussed at the City Hall/City Hall Grounds Installations Working Group. To be considered as part of the City Hall statues project under the Capital Programme.
284	Issue Raised in Advance	18/11/2022	1y 4m	<a href="#">Use of the Ceremony Room, City Hall</a>	Cllr Michelle Kelly	SP&R	Sinead Grimes	Property & Projects	Ongoing	A report on the potential reinstatement of the Ceremony Room to be submitted to a future Committee meeting.
297	Notice of Motion	05/01/2023	1y 3m	<a href="#">Comber Greenway</a>	Cllr Anthony Flynn	SP&R	Sinead Grimes	Property & Projects	Ongoing	Project has significant resource and financial implications. Officers are starting the process of reengaging with Dfl on the Comber Greenway.

298	Notice of Motion	05/01/2023	1y 3m	<a href="#">School Street Schemes</a>	Cllr Seamas de Faoite	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	Letters issued to Dfl on 17 Apr 2023 in relation to Rosetta Way "quietway" and also to DAERA on 12 Feb 2024 re School Streets Air Quality but no letter specifically on School Streets Schemes appears to have issued to Dfl UPDATE (March 2024):
300	Issue Raised in Advance	20/01/2023	1y 2m	<a href="#">Levelling Up Fund</a>	Cllr Ronan McLaughlir	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Since the announcement of Levelling Up Fund Round 3 and the fact that this did not apply to Northern Ireland. The Northern Ireland Executive has been restored and has been given a spending settlement worth over £3.3 billion. Noting these developments, rather than apply a Levelling Up Fund Round 3 competition in Northern Ireland, ministers opted to fund one additional LUF culture project in Northern Ireland directly, drawing from the list of bids submitted in Round 2. Ministers opted to fund the highest-scoring cultural bid within the funding available from the list of unfunded projects submitted at LUF Round 2. From a list of all remaining unfunded Round 2 projects, the Shore Road Skills Centre was selected for NI at a value of £2.2 million to fund</li> </ul>
305	Notice of Motion	24/01/2023	1y 2m	<a href="#">Support for striking Health Workers</a>	Cllr Matt Collins	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	Adopted at Standards and Business Committee. Progress to be reported to SP&R
306	Notice of Motion	21/02/2023	1y 1m	<a href="#">Maternity Leave Provision for Mothers of Babies defined as Premature</a>	Cllr Gareth Spratt	SP&R	Christine Sheridan	Human Resources	Ongoing	Research and benchmarking complete, proposals have been developed consultation ongoing with management and trade unions in accordance with the IR Framework. Aim to have policy agreed at April JNCC.
308	Notice of Motion	21/02/2023	1y 1m	<a href="#">Overdose Prevention Facility in Belfast</a>	Cllr Mal O'Hara	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	At SP&R on 24th November the Committee agreed that, at the request of Councillor Smyth, that a report be submitted at its next monthly meeting with specific reference made to meetings held, legal advice sought and partners engaged with - see no. 346 for reference.
319	Notice of Motion	27/06/2023	0y 9m	<a href="#">CPR Training and Circuit</a>	Cllr Christina Black	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
325	Issue Raised in Advance	18/08/2023	0y 7m	<a href="#">Request for Artwork to Celebrate the Oscar Winning Film 'An Irish Goodbye'</a>	Cllr Christina Black	SP&R	John Greer	Place & Economy	Ongoing	As previously reported, Officers been considering how to meet this request from within existing programmes and budgets. A paper for SP&R Committee's consideration will be presented at a future date to secure appropriate funding.
326	Issue Raised in Advance	18/08/2023	0y 7m	<a href="#">Data Protection</a>	Cllr Ciaran Beattie	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
330	Notice of Motion	29/08/2023	0y 7m	<a href="#">Clean Indoor Air Motion</a>	Cllr Jenna Maghie	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
331	Notice of Motion	29/08/2023	0y 7m	<a href="#">Save West Wellbeing Suicide Awareness</a>	Cllr Michael Collins	SP&R	Trevor Wallace	Finance & Resources	Ongoing	Following discussion at Party Leaders and SP&R, and on the basis there were no funds available for reallocation, it was agreed that all requests for funding would be dealt with via the discretionary payments policy, which is currently being reviewed and revised. This was due to a specified reserve being available for this purpose. Following discussion at SP&R on 24th November, criteria to be revised slightly and a scoring matrix developed and brought back to SP&R in December. This will allow organisations to apply for funding

337	Notice of Motion	26/09/2023	0y 6m	<a href="#">Right to Food Campaign</a>	Cllr Paul Doherty	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	Response presented to S P and R 24/11/23 - Referred to Social Policy Working Group
341	Notice of Motion	24/10/2023	0y 5m	<a href="#">Childcare Provision</a>	Cllr Jenna Maghie	SP&R	David Sales	City & Neighbourhood Services	Ongoing	Report to be brought back to S P and R
342	Notice of Motion	24/10/2023	0y 5m	<a href="#">Mental Health Accessibility Audit</a>	Cllr Matt Garrett	SP&R	David Sales	City & Neighbourhood Services	Ongoing	Report to be brought back to S P and R
344	Motion	24/10/2023	0y 5m	<a href="#">Rugby World Cup</a>	Cllr Donal Lyons	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	Motion adopted at S P and R 24/11/23
351	Notice of Motion	28/11/2023	0y 4m	<a href="#">Right to Grow on Council owned land</a>	Cllr David Bell	SP&R	John Tully	City & Organisational Strategy	Ongoing	Internal cross-departmental discussions are taking place to understand how this might be taken forward in Belfast. Sustain who lead the campaign are running a 'good to grow week' in April and BCC is linking in as part of the UPSURGE project and the Belfast Learning Festival programme. Needs to be considered as part of community growing needs so is being integrated with this work programme, with a report and recommendations due to come back to the Council at a future date.
355	Issue Raised in Advance	15/12/2023	0y 3m	<a href="#">Trademarket Belfast - Future Location</a>	Cllr Micky Murray	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	letter sent to Linen Quarter Bid re Trademarket Belfast's request to take over the short-term lease of a portion of land on Bankmore Square
356	Notice of Motion	04/01/2024	0y 3m	<a href="#">Memorial Wall - Covid-19</a>	Cllr Emmett McDonou	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
359	Issue Raised in Advance	19/01/2024	0y 2m	<a href="#">Request for BCC to act as a Sponsor for a Community Asset Transfer for West Belfast Partnership Board</a>	Cllr Christina Black	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
360	Notice of Motion	23/01/2024	0y 2m	<a href="#">Transparency by Default at Belfast City Council</a>	Cllr Gary McKeown	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
361	Notice of Motion	23/01/2024	0y 2m	<a href="#">Rights-based Ethical Procurement Policy</a>	Cllr Bronach Anglin	SP&R	Nora Largey	Legal & Civic Services	Ongoing	
366	Notice of Motion	22/02/2024	0y 1m	<a href="#">Gender Pay Gap Recording and Reporting</a>	Cllr Tara Brooks	SP&R	Christine Sheridan	Human Resources	Ongoing	A meeting has been organised with the Local Government Staff Commission with a view to seeking support from ECNI on how the council might progress gender pay gap reporting. The meeting will take place 12 April 2024.
367	Notice of Motion	22/02/2024	0y 1m	<a href="#">Housing Crisis</a>	Cllr Aine Groogan	SP&R	Cathy Reynolds	Place & Economy	Ongoing	