



<b>Subject:</b>	Notifications from statutory bodies
<b>Date:</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
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<b>Is this report restricted?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Is the decision eligible for Call-in?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report or Summary of Main Issues</b>
1.1	To bring to the attention of the Planning Committee two notifications received from the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) and Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE) (see <b>Appendix 1&amp;2</b> ). The notifications relate to the confirmation of an Abandonment Order for sections of footway between Peters Hill and Clifton Street and the extinguishment of a Public Right of Way at the rear of 17 Aughrim Park.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
2.1	The Committee is asked to note the notification correspondence received.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The Council has received the following notification from DfI:
3.2	<b>Confirmation of an Abandonment Order for sections of footway between Peters Hill and Clifton Street, Belfast</b> Received on 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 this notification confirms the abandonment of two sections of footway of the Bullring path – 727 square metres of footway extending north 270 metres from Peters Hill and 79 square metres of footway extending 30 meters from Regent Street to Clifton Street (see <b>Appendix 1</b> ).
3.3	Notification of a related proposed extinguishment of a Public Right of Way was brought to the Planning Committee on 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2023. This abandonment had been requested by the Department for Communities (DfC) to facilitate an Environment Improvement Scheme which will include a new pathway and general landscaping of the area. The associated planning application was approved by the Council in May 2021 (LA04/2020/0673/F). The land subject to the Abandonment Order is owned by DfI and is to be disposed of to Belfast City Council.
3.4	The Council has received the following notification from NIHE: <b>Notice of an extinguishment of a Public Right of Way at the rear of 17 Aughrim Park,</b>

	<b>Belfast</b>
3.5	Received on 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 this notification concerns the extinguishment of a Public Right of Way, the subject area of which is 22 square metres of existing public alleyway between Aughrim Park and Mermaid Street (see <b>Appendix 2</b> ).
3.6	This area will form part of a new, larger rear garden to 17 Aughrim Park to accommodate works for an extension as part of a disability adaptation which was approved by the Council on 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 (LA04/2024/0180/F). This planning approval was conditioned so that no work shall commence on site until the appropriate abandonment/extinguishment order is in place.
3.7	In considering these notifications other services within the Council were consulted – City & Neighbourhood Services, Estates and City Regeneration & Development and no issues or concerns were raised. There is no requirement for the Council to respond to these consultations and it is recommended that the Committee notes this report.
3.8	<u>Financial &amp; Resource Implications</u> There are no resource implications associated with this report.
3.9	<u>Equality implications or Good Relations implications / Rural needs assessment</u> None.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b>
	<p><b>Appendix 1:</b> Confirmation of Abandonment of footway between Peters Hill and Clifton Street</p> <p><b>Appendix 2:</b> Public Right of Way extinguishment at the rear of 17 Aughrim Park</p>