



Subject:	Appointment to Outside Body: Belfast Hills Partnership Board
Date:	24th January, 2025
Reporting Officer:	Nora Largey, City Solicitor/Director of Legal and Civic Services
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Restricted Reports

Is this report restricted? Yes No

Please indicate the description, as listed in Schedule 6, of the exempt information by virtue of which the council has deemed this report restricted.

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If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?

After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sometime in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in

Is the decision eligible for Call-in? Yes No

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To consider a request from the Belfast Hills Partnership to increase the Council's representation on its Board to 2 Councillors.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is asked to consider the request and to note that, if it is minded to agree, the nomination will be made in accordance with Committee's decision of 26th June, 2023 in relation to additional appointments to outside bodies.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Correspondence has been received from the Partnership Manager, Belfast Hills Partnership, indicating that its Articles of Association have been updated to allow for two Councillors from Belfast City Council to become Board members.
3.2	The Council currently has one position, and this is held by the Sinn Fein Party following the selection process for appointments to outside bodies under the St. Lague Order of Choices which was agreed at the Committee meeting held on 26th June, 2023.
3.3	Also at that meeting the Committee <i>"agreed a process to deal with any additional requests from outside bodies for Council representation during the Council term, in that the Party or Parties who would have had the next available choice(s) under the Saint Lague table would be asked to nominate a representative(s)"</i> .
3.4	Accordingly, if the Committee accepts the request the position will be offered in the first instance to the next Party on the list, namely, the Alliance Party.
	<u>Financial and Resource Implications</u>
3.5	None associated with this report.
	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u>
3.6	None associated with this report.
4.0	Appendices - Documents Attached
	None.