



## Belfast City Council

**Report to:** Strategic Policy and Resources Committee

**Subject:** **Motion – Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Charter**

**Date:** 12th December, 2014

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<b>1</b>	<b>Relevant Background Information</b>
1.1	Members will recall that the Council, at its meeting on 1st December, referred the undernoted motion, which had been moved by Councillor E. Groves and seconded by Alderman Kingston, to the Committee for consideration:
1.2	<p>“This Council calls on all Members and officers to sign the Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Charter. This five-point charter recognises the rights and priorities of people living with MND and their carers, sets out what good care looks like for them and is designed to raise awareness and understanding of this devastating disease.</p> <p>The Council also requests the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee to give consideration to hosting a civic reception within the City Hall and for the City Hall to be illuminated for that event in appropriate colours to allow campaigners to raise awareness on this important issue.”</p>
<b>2</b>	<b>Key Issues</b>
2.1	It is matter for the Committee to consider the motion. In addition, it would be necessary to identify an appropriate amount from within existing budgets to oversee any reception that the Council might wish to host.
<b>3</b>	<b>Resource Implications</b>
3.1	To be determined.
<b>4</b>	<b>Equality and Good Relations Implications</b>
4.1	None

<b>5</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
5.1	The Committee is requested to consider the motion and take such action thereon which may be determined.

<b>6</b>	<b>Decision Tracking</b>
Democratic Services Section will follow up on any decision taken.	