



Subject:	Update on Changing Places Facilities
Date:	13 June 2017
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After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To provide an update to Members on the provision of Changing Places facilities in Belfast.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to; <ul style="list-style-type: none">Note the report.
3.0	Main report
3.1	Key Issues Members will be aware that at the Committee meeting of 4 April 2017, further information was requested by way of a report to provide detail in respect of the provision of Changing Places facilities in the city.

3.2	<p>By way of background, Changing Places are facilities whereby people with profound and multiple disabilities can avail of toilet and personal hygiene amenities, designed specifically for their needs. Providing these facilities offers those with such conditions, and their carers, the same potential to participate in community activity and active citizenship which many of us take for granted.</p>
3.3	<p>Changing Places - Current Provision</p> <p>The Council's Public Convenience Provision presented to Members on 6 February 2013 outlined the role which Changing Places facilities could play in supporting city development. At the time of this report, there were three Changing Places in the city and presently there are six located at the following venues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Girdwood Community Hub (North Belfast) ▪ George Best Belfast City Airport (East Belfast) ▪ Mencap Centre (Newtownbreda – South Belfast) ▪ Northern Ireland Assembly (East Belfast) ▪ Divis & Black Mountain (West Belfast) ▪ Olympia Leisure Centre (South Belfast)
3.4	<p>For more detailed information on the above facilities, the Changing Places Toilet Map is the primary reference source and can be accessed at http://changingplaces.uktoiletmap.org/</p>
3.5	<p>Girdwood Community Hub and Olympia Leisure Centre are two relatively recent additions to the list and have been installed as a result of the Council's lead role in delivering these projects.</p>
3.6	<p>Changing Places - Future Provision</p> <p>As part of the redevelopment of the Leisure Centre estate there are proposals to install two further Changing Places at the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Robinson Centre (East Belfast due 2019) ▪ Andersonstown LC (West Belfast due 2019).
3.7	<p>Members will be aware that the City Hall is in the process of being upgraded and, as part of this development, there is a proposal to construct additional toilets including a Changing Places facility within the building. This currently sits at Stage 2 – <i>uncommitted project</i> of the Council's Capital Projects process.</p>

<p>3.8</p> <p>3.9</p> <p>3.10</p> <p>3.11</p>	<p>Additionally, there is a proposal for a Changing Places facility in a new pavilion which is being proposed at Cathedral Gardens. This new pavilion is an element of Belfast Streets Ahead public realm project and is expected to be delivered by the Department for Communities. It too is Stage 2 of the Council’s Capital Programme. Members are asked to note that, as Stage 2 projects, there has been no committed investment decision in respect of these projects.</p> <p>The Council will continue to engage with stakeholders delivering major city centre development projects in order to promote the installation of Changing Places facilities as appropriate.</p> <p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>There are no finance and resource implications associated with this report.</p> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>There are no relevant equality and good relations implications associated with this report.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Appendices – Documents Attached</p>
	<p>None</p>