



<b>Subject:</b>	Motion – Review of permission to Belfast City Airport to enter Victoria Park for the management of un-hatched eggs under licence from the Northern Ireland Environment Agency
<b>Date:</b>	6th October, 2020
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Sara Steele, Democratic Services Officer
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
<b>Is this report restricted?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<b>After Committee Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>After Council Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Some time in the future</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Never</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Call-in</b>	
<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/Summary of Main Issues</b>
1.1	To bring to the Committee’s attention the Motion in respect of the management of unhatched eggs which was referred to the Committee by the Council on 1st October.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
2.1	The Committee is requested to <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Consider the motion and take such action thereon as may be determined.</li></ul>
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
	<b><u>Key Issues</u></b>
3.1	The Council, at its meeting on 1st October, considered the following motion which had been moved by Councillor Flynn and seconded by Councillor M. Kelly.

3.2	<p><i>“The Council notes that the decision to grant Belfast City Airport permission to enter Victoria Park and carry out the management of the bird population, such as pricking and oiling of un-hatched eggs, has significantly reduced the greylag goose population in the park.</i></p> <p><i>The Council further notes that as the decision to grant permission for this activity was taken a number of years ago, technology and practices pertaining to managing bird populations in the vicinity of an aerodrome may have moved on.</i></p> <p><i>As such, this Council requests officers to carry out a review of this decision, engage with relevant environmental and wildlife organisations and produce a report for Councillors to consider options before the next confirmation of the permission is granted to the airport to carry out this activity in Victoria Park.”</i></p>
3.3	<p>In accordance with Standing Order 13(f), the Motion was referred without discussion to the People and Communities Committee.</p>
3.4	<p><b><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></b></p> <p>None.</p>
3.5	<p><b><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></b></p> <p>None.</p>
4.0	<p><b>Appendices - Documents Attached</b></p>
	<p>None</p>