

Closure of Ulster Bank

“We, the members of Belfast City Council, demand an urgent meeting with the Chief Executive Officer of Ulster Bank and the Nat West Bank Chairperson to discuss the recent revelations that NatWest is considering the complete closure of Ulster Bank, which could result in the loss of over 600 jobs based in Belfast, which directly service Ulster Bank in the Republic of Ireland.

The Council will therefore write to the Secretary of State, Branden Lewis MP, Shadow Secretary of State, Louise Haigh MP. and the four Belfast MPs requesting all-party meetings about Nat West’s proposals. The Council will also write to the Minister for the Economy, Diane Dodds and the Chair of the Assembly’s Economic Committee requesting they meet with representatives of the Financial Services Union.”

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(To be debated by the Council)