



Subject:	Motion – 30 by 30 Biodiversity Campaign
Date:	12th January, 2021
Reporting Officer:	Sara Steele, Democratic Services Officer
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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/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To bring to the Committee's attention the Motion in respect of the 30 by 30 Biodiversity Campaign which was referred to the Committee by the Council on 7th January.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is requested to <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consider the motion and if the proposal is agreed a report on how this would be facilitated, resourced and managed will be brought back.
3.0	Main Report
	<u>Key Issues</u>
3.1	The Council, at its meeting on 7th January, considered the following motion which had been moved by Councillor Smyth and seconded by Councillor Michelle Kelly.

3.2	<p><i>“This Council recognises the positive steps made during this term to improve its environmental commitments. It is also aware of the 30 by 30 pledge made by 64 Nations at the UN Biodiversity Summit in September 2020, to return 30% of land and sea to nature by 2030, and signals an ambition to reverse biodiversity loss within the next 10 years. This Council also notes the increasing awareness of the citizens of this city to the climate crisis and their willingness to play their part, no matter how small and, in this context, welcomes progress on the Council working with others to assist residents in transforming their alleyways and open spaces”</i></p> <p><i>Building on this, the Council will develop and put together a 30 by 30 biodiversity campaign in collaboration with its partners that will educate, inform and support our citizens and communities to maximise the green spaces they have around their homes to support urban biodiversity throughout the city.</i></p> <p><i>We believe that a 30 by 30 Biodiversity campaign can deliver positive benefits and can help meet this Council’s legal obligations under ‘The Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011’ to further and strengthen biodiversity in this city for the decades to come.”</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><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>None.</p>
3.5	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>None.</p>
4.0	<p>Appendices - Documents Attached</p>
	<p>None</p>