

Derry City and Strabane District Council

Dear Member of Derry City and Strabane District Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the **Derry City and Strabane District Council** to be held remotely, on Thursday 29 October 2020 at 4.00 pm.

Yours faithfully



**John Kelpie
Chief Executive**

AGENDA

- 1 Notice and Summons of Meeting**
- 2 Member Attendance and Apologies**
- 3 Statement for Remote Meetings**
- 4 Declarations of Members' Interests**

Open for Decision

- 5 Chairperson's Business**
- 6 Confirmation of the Open Minutes of the Meeting of the Derry City and Strabane District Council held on Thursday 24 September 2020 (Pages 1 - 58)**
- 7 Matters Arising**
- 8 Adoption of the Open Minutes of the following Committees**
 - a Special Environment and Regeneration Committee held on Monday 21 September 2020 (Pages 59 - 60)**

- b Monthly Governance and Strategic Planning Committee held on Tuesday 6 October 2020** (Pages 61 - 92)
- c Monthly Planning Committee held on Wednesday 7 October 2020** (Pages 93 - 104)
- d Monthly Planning Committee (Reconvened) held on Thursday 8 October 2020** (Pages 105 - 108)
- e Monthly Business and Culture Committee held on Tuesday 13 October 2020** (Pages 109 - 122)
- f Monthly Environment and Regeneration Committee held on Wednesday 14 October 2020** (Pages 123 - 152)
- g Monthly Health and Community Committee held on Thursday 15 October 2020** (Pages 153 - 168)
- h Bi-Monthly Assurance, Audit and Risk Committee held on Monday 19 October 2020** (Pages 169 - 178)

9 Notices of Motion

Councillor Cusack to Move:

This Council supports the choice of students to wear trousers as opposed to skirts and vice versa as part of their regulation uniform. In this age of equality, fairness and indeed comfort, no girl or boy should be forced to wear an item of uniform which is traditionally gender related. This Council will make contact with all schools in the City and District of both primary and secondary level to encourage and promote that this choice be included in their uniform policy. Furthermore, to contact the Education Authority and Education Minister seeking their support in this matter.

Councillor Mooney to Move:

This Council notes with concern figures showing that over a quarter (27.5%) of those who died from Covid-19 were people living with dementia and this is the most common underlying health condition associated with deaths from the virus.

This Council welcomes the Minister for Health's stated commitment to reforming Adult Social Care and urges his Department to heed Alzheimer's Society's "The Fog of Support: An inquiry into the provision of respite care and carers

assessments for people affected by dementia” to ensure those living with dementia are better protected now and into the future, specifically allowing loved ones of care home residents to be given key worker status.

This Council will commit to build on the work of Alzheimer’s Society of creating Dementia Friendly Communities by hosting a virtual ‘Dementia Friendly Workshop’ which will increase the awareness and confidence of our staff to better relate to, support and communicate with people with dementia to help tackle stigma, establish best practice and reduce barriers for our ageing population within our Council area.

Councillor Cooper to Move:

Mar eochair-thionsnamh tosaigh den Aonad um Chruthú Jabanna agus Scileanna, go n-aontaíonn an Chomhairle seo oibriú i comhpháirtíocht le forais eile san earnáil phoiblí, le solathróirí seirbhíse don ógra agus leis an earnáil phríobháideach chun Clár Samhraidh Fostaíochta don Ógra a fhorbairt a bheidh dírithe ar an aoisghrúpa 14-21 bhliain, go príomha ó cheantair dhíth ilchineálach.

Soláthróidh an intéirneacht ar íocaíocht seo pá cóir do na rannpháirtithe, cuirfidh sé feabhas ar a scileanna, tabharfaidh sé taithí oibre thairbheach dóibh agus feabhsóidh sé deiseanna fostaíochta fadtéarmacha faoi choinne daoine óga ó chúlraí íos-shocheacnaimíocha.

Agus ba cheart don Chomhairle breathnú mar shamhail dea-chleachtais ar scéim fostaíochta don ógra i gcathair Bhostúin, a thairg 8,000 post do dhaoine óga ar fud chathair Bhostúin, fiú le linn na géarchéime Covid.

As a key first initiative of the proposed Job Creation & Skills Unit, that this Council agrees to work in partnership with other public sector bodies, youth service providers and the private sector to develop a Summer Youth Employment Programme aimed at 14-21 year olds primarily from areas of multiple deprivation.

This paid internship will provide participants with a decent wage, improve their skills, provide valuable work experience and improve long term employment opportunities for kids from lower socio economic backgrounds.

And that Council should look to the Boston City youth employment scheme, which even during the COVID crisis offered 8,000 posts to young people across the city of Boston. as a model of good practice.

Councillor Donnelly to Move:

Council will oppose, to the extent of its remit the implementation of the British Governments Covert Human Intelligence Source (Criminal Conduct) Bill, which provides authority to sanction or commit criminal acts with impunity. This is an

anti-democratic authoritarian Bill that extends the British governments right to break the law and breach human rights in the name of "National Security ". We would call on all those who have an interest in protecting human rights, including: Trade Unions, Advocacy Groups, Civil Liberties and Human Rights Organisations and other bodies which promote the democratic process to do all in their power to voice their concerns and oppose this Bill.

Councillor Jackson to Move:

Aithníonn an Chomhairle seo na fadhbanna lena gcaithfidh cónaitheoirí bheith ag plé i bhforbraíochtaí príobháideacha fud fad na cathrach agus cheantair seo. Éilíonn muid go n-athbhunófaí an Grúpa Oibre um Shráideanna Príobháideacha, le ligint d'iniúchadh bheith déanta ar na fadhbanna a eascraíonn as seo agus na roghanna uilig atá oscailte don Chomhairle a phlé le dul i ngleic leis an fadhbanna seo ar son ár gconáitheoirí.

This Council recognises the issues faced by residents living in unadopted developments throughout this city and district.

We call for the re-establishment of the private streets working group, to allow it to explore the many issues that this presents and explore all options open to Council to address them on behalf of our residents.

Councillor Duffy to Move:

Calls on Derry City and Strabane District Council to instigate a "Shop Derry and Strabane " campaign for Christmas.

Council should do all it can to assist our local traders and local shops throughout this difficult period, it should explore opportunities to promote local businesses through advertising, online presence and social media. This should include our shops and our small cottage industries with traders working from their homes.

We need to commit to supporting our local traders to get them and their families through Christmas so they can continue to trade in the New Year.

Iarrtar ar Chomhairle Chathair Dhoire agus Cheantar an tSraitha Báin tús a chur le feachtas "Shop Derry and Strabane" don Nollaig.

Ba chóir don Chomhairle gach rud gur féidir a dhéanamh le cuidiú a thabhairt dár dtrádálaithe agus siopaí áitiúla i rith na tréimhse deacra seo. Ba chóir don Chomhairle deiseanna lenár ngnóthaí áitiúla a chur chun cinn trí fhógraíocht, láithreach ar líne agus na meáin shóisialta a phlé. Ní mór dár siopaí agus dár dtionscail thinteáin ar a bhfuil a dtrádálaithe ag obair ón bhaile a bheith curtha san áireamh anseo chomh maith.

Caithfidh muid geallúint a dhéanamh le tacaíocht a thabhairt dár dtrádálaithe áitiúla le go bhfaighfidh siad agus a dteaghlaigh fríd an Nollaig ionas gur féidir leo leanúint ar aghaidh leis an trádáil sa Bhliain Úr.

Councillor McGuire to Move:

This Council, recognising we are in a climate emergency and being aware of the environmental damage caused by fracking and all forms of exploration and extraction of fossil fuels, calls on the Minister for the Economy to place an immediate moratorium on all licences and further calls on the Minister for Infrastructure to urgently implement changes to deny permitted development rights to any company seeking to prospect for oil and/or gas.

Aithníonn an Chomhairle seo go bhfuil muid i ngéarchéim aeráide faoi láthair agus go bhfuil muid eolach faoin damáiste timpeallachta a ndéantar de bharr fraiceáil agus gach cineál taiscéalaíocht agus eastóscadh de bhreoslaí iontaise. Mar gheall air seo, iarrann an Chomhairle seo ar an Aire Geilleagair moratóir a chur ar gach ceadúnas láithreach agus chomh maith leis sin, iarrtar ar an Aire Bonneagair athruithe a chur i bhfeidhm ar an toirt le cearta forbartha atá ceadaithe a shéanadh do chomhlacht ar bith atá ag iarraidh sirtheoireacht a dhéanamh le haghaidh ola agus/nó gáis.

Councillor McCann to Move:

Council will recall that a motion was moved at the December 2019 Council meeting calling for action to combat poor air quality in the Council area. Officials advised at that time that the motion was premature, given the imminent publication of a report which might have a bearing on the motion. Council notes that the report has since been produced but does not have a bearing on the motion.

Council endorses the thrust of the December 2019 motion as now resubmitted: Council acknowledges that poor air quality has harmful effects on human health, especially on the health of the elderly, the infirm and young children;

Council recognises that urgent action needs to be taken to tackle air pollution. Council commits to increasing its air quality monitoring across its council area, including of harmful PM2.5s, PM10s and ammonia;

Council will create an air quality action plan and adopt World Health Organisation standards for PM2.5;

Council will bring forward draft policy options for discouraging the installation of fossil fuel heating and wood burning stoves in all new planning projects. Council

will devise a set of criteria to be agreed by Members above which an air quality assessment will be required to accompany planning applications;

Council will organise a series of seminars to upskill members on Current Air Quality issues. Council will write to all other councils urging them to pass a similar air quality motion;

Council will write to the Northern Ireland Executive asking for an update on the effectiveness of the air quality monitoring station at Brooke Park since the station was moved from its original location at the junction of Creggan Road and Marlborough Terrace;

Council will underline to the Executive the urgent need for a NI Clean Air Act to include WHO threshold for PM2.5

Councillor Durkan to Move:

This Council recognises that the Covid-19 pandemic has significantly impacted upon the health, safety and survival of people all around the world, with the populations of the poorest countries being forced deeper into poverty.

Council notes that this is an unprecedented time of multiple crises- with the pandemic coinciding with the global economic recession and escalating climate emergency.

Council notes that the continuing global debt problem is a barrier to people's survival, fight against inequality and the realization of human rights.

Council calls for urgent action from governments, international institutions and relevant agencies and lending bodies to address the debt crisis to include:

- The cancellation of debt payments for the world's poorest countries;
- Resources freed from debt to address immediate needs for vital healthcare, social protections, rights protections and to undertake urgent climate action.
- Review and Restructuring of lending, borrowing and payment policies aimed at preventing the re-accumulation of unsustainable and illegitimate debt.

Alderman Guy to Move:

That this Council supports those involved with our local youth radio station River FM;

recognises their efforts in putting the youth of our council area first by offering opportunities to work in local media;

supports their ambition to obtain a non-profit FM community radio licence from Ofcom;

and writes to request that Ofcom reverse their decision not to allow River FM the same opportunities that it has afforded other regions of the UK and NI in providing a needs based community youth station on the FM spectrum which River FM facilitates in our council area.

Councillor Harkin to Move:

Council notes with great disappointment the decision of Infrastructure Minister Nicola Mallon to grant continued commercial dredging of the European protected area Lough Neagh. Environmental campaigners Friends of the Earth said, "The minister's decision has made a mockery of our environmental designations and our protections." This decision amounts to an assault on our ecology that will, if unchecked, lead to an environmental wasteland. Council will write to the Minister expressing our objection on the basis of our Climate Emergency Declaration and Pledge. Council will support efforts to reverse the decision. Council will invite representatives from Friends of the Earth and the Environmental Gathering for a presentation on the ramifications of this decision.

Open for Information

- 10 Responses to Motions** (Pages 179 - 212)
- 11 Resolutions from Other Councils** (Pages 213 - 218)
- 12 Seal - October 2020** (Pages 219 - 222)

Confidential for Decision

- 13 Confirmation of the Confidential Minutes of the Meeting of Derry City and Strabane District Council held on Thursday 24 September 2020** (Pages 223 - 226)
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15 Any Other Relevant Items

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