

Derry City and Strabane District Council

Dear Member of Derry City and Strabane District Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the reconvened Meeting of the **Derry City and Strabane District Council** (from 26 November 2020) to be held remotely on Friday 4 December 2020 at 4.00pm.

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 Notices of Motion**

Alderman Kerrigan to Move:

That this Council resolves to:

Require all public firework displays within the local authority boundaries to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people;

To actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks;

To write to the UK Government urging them to introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90db for those sold to the public for private displays;

To encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock 'quieter' fireworks for public display.

Councillor Harkin to Move:

Council reaffirms its opposition to privatisation of the Housing Executive. Council agrees the Housing Executive should remain a fully accountable public body. Council will write to the Minister for Communities and the entire Executive making clear our opposition to plans to restructure the Housing Executive away from a public body to a privatised mutual/co-operative model.

Council will invite NIPSA and Social Housing experts for a presentation on the deleterious impact moving to a mutual/co-operative model will have on the provision of social housing, tenant rights, workers' rights and accountability.

Councillor McCann to Move:

Council notes that around 13,000 people who fled the fire which destroyed the Moira refugee camp on the Greek island of Lesbos last month are living in dire conditions in makeshift settlements even as winter tightens its grip.

Families forced to abandon rag-tents and flimsy shelters in Moira now exist in even less humane and dignified circumstances in flung-up camps elsewhere on Lesbos, refugees twice over. Recognising their desperate situation, and in response to pleas from all over Europe, the Ministry for Migrants in Athens has undertaken to "accelerate" the Lesbos refugees' claims for asylum. However, this process depends on other countries' willingness to bid them welcome.

The #400Welcomes campaign was established to call for agencies across the island of Ireland to agree to welcome 400 women, men and children from Lesbos island – families, survivors of torture and gender-based violence, those with medical needs and those making the journey alone.

This Council agrees to support the #400Welcomes campaign; to write to the Home Office to outline our support; and to ask the Home Office to facilitate the early arrival of 40 of the #400 to the Derry City and Strabane area.

Open for Information

6 Responses to Motions (Pages 1 - 20)

7 Resolutions from other Councils (Pages 21 - 24)

8 Sealing List - November 2020 (Pages 25 - 26)

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9 Response to Motion (Pages 27 - 30)

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