

Standards and Business Committee

Tuesday, 25th March, 2025

MEETING OF THE STANDARDS AND BUSINESS COMMITTEE HELD IN THE LAVERY ROOM

Members present: Councillor Lawlor (Chairperson) and
The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor McCormick);
The High Sheriff (Councillor McAteer);
Aldermen McCullough and Rodgers; and
Councillors Bradley, Carson, P. Donnelly,
D. Douglas, Groogan, Kelly, Magee, Maghie,
McCallin, McDonough-Brown, R. McLaughlin
and Murphy.

In attendance: Ms. N. Largey, City Solicitor and Director of Legal
and Civic Services;
Mr. J. Hanna, Democratic Services and Governance
Manager, and
Mr. B. Flynn, Committee Services Officer.

Apology

An apology was reported on behalf of Councillor de Faoite.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 20th February were taken as read and signed as correct. It was reported that those minutes had been adopted by the Council at its meeting on 3rd March.

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Groogan declared an interest in item 2 (b) viz., 'Paramilitary Transition Scoping and Engagement Exercise' in that her position with Forward South Partnership was funded through the Executive Programme on Paramilitarism and Organised Crime (EEPOC Programme). She withdrew from the meeting whilst the matter was under consideration.

Motions

The Committee considered the following two motions which had been received in advance of the Council's meeting on 1st April:

Paramilitary Transition Scoping and Engagement Exercise

Moved by Councillor McLaughlin,
Seconded by Councillor Murphy and

Resolved – that the above-mentioned motion, which had been moved by Councillor Nelson and seconded by Councillor T. Brooks, be referred to the Council for consideration, with no restrictions placed upon the number of speakers.

Harm Reduction Campaign

The Committee agreed that the above-mentioned motion, which had been moved by Councillor Smyth and seconded by Councillor de Faoite, be referred, in the first instance, to the Licensing Committee for consideration.

Chairperson