Council

SPECIAL MEETING OF BELFAST CITY COUNCIL

Held in the Council Chamber, City Hall on Tuesday, 1st July, 2025 at 10.45 a.m., pursuant to Notice.

Members present: The Lord Mayor, Councillor Kelly (Chairperson);

The Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Doherty; The High Sherriff, Councillor McAteer; Aldermen Copeland, Lawlor, McCoubrey,

McCullough and Rodgers; and

Councillors Bower, Bradley, Brennan, R. Brooks, T. Brooks, Bunting, Cobain,

Collins, de Faoite, Doran, S. Douglas, Ferguson, Flynn, Long, Lyons, Maghie, McCallin, McCann, McCormick, McDowell, McKay, McKeown, I. McLaughlin, R. McLaughlin, Murphy, Murray,

Ó Néill, Verner and Whyte.

Summons

The Chief Executive submitted the summons convening the meeting.

Apologies

Apologies for inability to attend were reported from Councillors D. Douglas, Groogan and Smyth.

Battle of the Somme Anniversary

Moved by the Lord Mayor (Councillor Kelly) Seconded by the Alderman McCoubrey and

Resolved – That we, the Lord Mayor and Citizens of the City of Belfast, on the 109th Anniversary of the Battle of the Somme, desire again to record our feelings of gratitude to the brave men of the 36th (Ulster) Division, the 16th (Irish) Division and other forces who, by their glorious conduct in that battle, made an imperishable name for themselves and their people and whose heroism will never be forgotten.

The Council stood in silence for one minute as a mark of respect to all those who had lost their lives in the Battle of the Somme.

Lord Mayor Chairperson