

Strategic Policy and Resources Committee

Thursday, 3rd July, 2025

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STRATEGIC POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Members present: Councillor Brennan (Chairperson);
Anderman McCoubrey;
Councillors Black, Bunting, Cobain,
de Faoite, R-M Donnelly, Ferguson, Garrett,
Long, Maghie, McDonough-Brown, I. McLaughlin,
R. McLaughlin, Murphy, Nelson, Ó Néill and Whyte.

Also attended: Councillor McCormick.

In attendance: Mr. J. Walsh, Chief Executive;
Ms. S. McNicholl, Deputy Chief Executive/Director
of Corporate Services;
Ms. N. Largey, City Solicitor/Director of Legal and
Civic Services;
Mr. D. Sales, Strategic Director of City and Neighbourhood
Services;
Mr. J. Girvan, Director of Neighbourhood Services;
Mr. P. Hamilton, Lead Officer – Community Safety; and
Ms. C. Donnelly, Committee Services Officer.

Apologies

Apologies for inability to attend were reported on behalf of Councillors Beattie and Smyth.

Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were reported.

Restricted Items

The information contained in the reports associated with the following two item is restricted in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014.

Resolved – That the Committee agrees to exclude the members of the press and public from the meeting during discussion of the following items as, due to the nature of the items, there would be a disclosure of exempt information as described in Section 42(4) and Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014.

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The Members were also reminded that the content of 'restricted' reports and any discussion which took place during closed session must be treated as 'confidential information' and that no such information should be disclosed to the public as per Paragraph 4.15 of the Code of Conduct.

Bonfire Update

The Committee was informed that the Bonfire Panel had requested that the bonfire located at Broadway Industrial Estate be referred to the Committee for its consideration.

The Chief Executive provided the Committee with an update on the site.

Proposal

Proposed by Councillor de Faoite,
Seconded by Councillor Whyte,

That the Committee approves the removal of asbestos from the Broadway Industrial Estate for the interest and well-being of residents.

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor Bunting,
Seconded by Alderman McCoubrey,

That the Committee agrees to accept the extra mitigations proposed by the NIEA in relation to the bonfire at Broadway Industrial Estate, together with the additional precautionary measures, specified at the meeting.

On a vote, sixteen Members voted for the amendment and two against and it was declared carried. The amendment was thereupon put to the Committee as the substantive motion and passed.

The Committee noted, in accordance with Standing Order 48 (a) (2) (c), that the aforementioned decision would not be subject to call-in.

Chairperson