



<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Notice of Motion – Feasibility of a Dedicated Scrambler Site and Programme</b>
<b>Date:</b>	7th October, 2025
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	David Sales, Strategic Director of City & Neighbourhood Services
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	Barry Flynn, Committee Services Officer.

**Restricted Report**

Is this report restricted? Yes ☐ No ☒

**Call-in**

Is the decision eligible for Call-in? Yes ☒ No ☐

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues</b>
1.1	To draw the Committee's attention to the above-mentioned motion which the Standards and Business Committee referred to the Committee on 23rd September.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
2.1	The Committee is requested to consider the motion and to take such action thereon as may be determined.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The following motion, which had been moved by The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Doherty) and seconded by the Councillor de Faoite, was referred to the Committee for its consideration:
3.2	<p><b><u>Feasibility of a Dedicated Scrambler Site and Programme</u></b></p> <p>This Council recognises the serious risks and community concerns associated with illegal and reckless scrambler use across Belfast, where incidents have endangered lives, damaged public spaces, and affected community wellbeing. Accordingly, this Council agrees that officers prepare a report for Committee which will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Explore the feasibility of identifying a dedicated site for a scrambler programme in Belfast which aims will be to divert young people away from offending behaviour, rehabilitate those caught up in crime, provide vocational training and learning opportunities and create a safe, managed environment that works to remove scramblers from our streets and parks;</li><li>2. Undertake a land audit of Council-owned sites to assess potential suitability;</li></ol>

	<p>3. Identify potential stakeholders and collaborators, including relevant Stormont departments, the PSNI, youth and community organisations, and training providers; and</p> <p>4. Outline preparatory requirements, indicative timelines, and opportunities for partnership to inform Members of the potential for taking such a project forward.”</p>
4.0	<p><b><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></b></p>
5.0	<p>None at this stage as there is no commitment to proceed with the Notice of Motion.</p> <p><b><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></b></p> <p>This motion, if agreed, may have potential equality, good relations and rural needs implications and should be subject to our normal screening process as appropriate.</p>