



Subject:	Notice of Motion – Bike Bunker Trial
Date:	5th November, 2025
Reporting Officer:	Damien Martin, Strategic Director of Place and Economy
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Restricted Reports	
Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?	
After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To consider a motion in relation to a Bike Bunker trial, which was referred to the Committee by the Standards and Business Committee at its meeting on 23rd October, 2025.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	<p>The Committee is asked to note that, in accordance with Standing Orders, Notices of Motion which commit the Council to expenditure or fall within the remit of a particular Committee must be referred to the appropriate committee for consideration and report.</p> <p>At this stage, the Committee is asked to note that the notice of motion has been received and that, if agreed, a subsequent report will be brought back to the Committee outlining a detailed consideration of the motion and the potential cost implications.</p>

3.0	Main report
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>At the meeting of the Standards and Business Committee held on 23rd October, the following motion, which was proposed by Councillor Smyth and seconded by Councillor Groogan, was referred to the Committee for consideration:</p>
3.2	<p><u>Bike Bunker Trial</u></p> <p>“This Council notes the progress being made by Dublin City Council in regard to the Bike Bunkers Scheme and their recent trial of this project. They are a way to securely store bikes for those who don’t have easy access to off street storage, particularly in terrace housing.</p> <p>This Council will seek to commit to carrying out a trial to find where demand is across Belfast and where people can register their interest. As well as working collaboratively with our partners such as the Department of Infrastructure and cycling advocacy groups, as we look to find way to support and expand practical sustainable city living.”</p> <p>Proposer: Councillor Brian Smyth Seconder: Councillor Áine Groogan</p>
3.3	<p>The motion calls upon the Council to carry out a trial to find out demand for a Bike Bunkers Scheme across Belfast. A previous motion on Secured Serviced City Centre Civic Bicycle Parking Facilities was before the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee and subsequently the City Growth and Regeneration Committee, which agreed to look at how covered cycle stands could be incorporated into the Council’s existing programme of work.</p>
3.4	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>None at this stage as there is no commitment to proceed with the Notice of Motion. Details of any financial and resource implications will be reported at a subsequent meeting.</p>
3.5	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>None associated with this report.</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None.