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**Democratic Services Section
Chief Executive's Department
Belfast City Council
City Hall
Belfast
BT1 5GS**

20th June, 2019

MEETING OF STRATEGIC Policy and Resources Committee

Dear Alderman/Councillor,

In addition to those matters previously notified to you, the following items will also be considered at the meeting to be held at 9.30 am on Friday, 21st June, 2019.

Yours faithfully,

SUZANNE WYLIE

Chief Executive

AGENDA:

4. Governance

(d) Appointment of Members to Outside Bodies (Pages 1 - 8)

9. Operational Issues

(c) Use of City Hall – Destination Tourism (Pages 9 - 10)

10. Issues Raised in Advance by Members

(c) Report - "A Prison Without Walls - Asylum, Migration and Human Rights" - Councillor Michelle Kelly to raise

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Subject:	Appointment of Members to Outside Bodies
Date:	21 st June 2019
Reporting Officer:	Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager
Contact Officer:	

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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To make the appointments of Members to a range of Outside Bodies for the Council Term from 2019 to 2023.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	<p>The Committee is recommended to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note that the Council has agreed that all of the appointments to Outside Bodies will be grouped into one overall pool for the purposes of allocating positions. 2. Agree to nominate the representatives to NILGA as a separate one off exercise as set out in the report. 3. Note that the Council has agreed to use the Sainte Lague methodology to provide an order of party political choices of these positions.

	<p>4. Appoint the positions on Outside Bodies as set out in the Appendix.</p> <p>5. Agree that should any other requests be received for Council representation on Outside Bodies during the Council Term, the party or parties who would have had the next available choice(s) under the Sainte Lague table will be asked to nominate a representative(s).</p>
3.0	Main report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u>
3.1.1	Members will be aware that there are a number of Outside Bodies which request that a Member or several Members sit on the Board of their Body. As we start on the new Council term, we need to make these appointments.
3.1.2	Members should note that several appointments to Outside Bodies were determined by the Department of the Environment to fall within the process established in the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 for Positions of Responsibility. These were arc 21, the Partnership Panel, the Northern Ireland Housing Council, the Reserve Forces and Cadets Association and the Policing and Community Safety Partnership and its 4 District Partnerships. These appointments were determined using the D'hondt system of proportionality alongside the appointments for the Lord Mayor, the Deputy Lord Mayor and the Chairpersons and Deputy Chairpersons of the 5 Standing Committees of the Council.
3.1.3	In considering the requests for appointments to Outside Bodies which are not considered to be Positions of Responsibility, the Council is free to choose any methodology it so wishes. However, in keeping with the process of proportionality which is enshrined in the 2014 Act and which has been employed in the Council for a number of years, the Committee has approved of the use of the Sainte Lague system.
3.1.4	The process is for all of the appointments to Outside Bodies to be grouped together in one pool and the Party Leaders at a meeting on 14 th June have selected the positions set out in the Appendix.
3.1.5	In order for a process to be established which deals with any additional requests from Outside Bodies for Council representation during the Council Term, it is recommended that the party or parties who would have had the next available choice(s) under the Sainte Lague table will be asked to nominate a representative(s).
3.1.6	<u>NILGA</u> NILGA's Constitution requires that the Council's 10 nominations reflect the overall balance of the political parties on the Council. This would not be able to be achieved if the 10 positions were to be included in a larger pool of positions. Therefore, for that reason, the Party Leaders agreed that the 10 nominations are allocated using a separate Sainte Lague exercise.
3.1.7	The outcome of a Sainte Lague exercise provided for 3 Sinn Fein, 2 DUP, 2 Alliance, 1 SDLP, 1 Green and 1 PBPA nominations.
3.2	<u>Financial & Resource Implications</u>
3.2.1	None Associated with this report.

3.3	<u>Equality, Good Relations and Rural Assessment Implications</u>
3.3.1	None associated with this report.
4.0	Appendices
4.1	Appendix – List of Party Choices for Outside Bodies

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Appointments to Outside Bodies

14th June, 2019

National Association of Councillors

SF	Councillor Magennis
SF	Councillor Magee
DUP	Alderman Sandford
DUP	Councillor T Kelly
DUP	Councillor to be confirmed
PBPA	Councillor to be confirmed
UUP	Alderman Rodgers
ALL	Councillor to be confirmed

Northern Ireland Local Government Association (NILGA)

SF	Councillor Corr
SF	Councillor Garrett
SF	Councillor Murphy
DUP	Alderman Haire
DUP	Alderman Sandford
ALL	Councillor Howard
ALL	Councillor to be confirmed
SDLP	Councillor de Faoite
GREEN	Councillor Groogan
PBPA	Councillor to be confirmed

Belfast City Centre Management Board

Green	Councillor Flynn
SF	Councillor Corr

George Best Belfast City Airport Forum

DUP	Alderman Haire
PUP	Councillor Kyle

Visit Belfast

SF	Councillor Walsh
DUP	Councillor Cobain
ALL	Councillor Hanvey
SDLP	Councillor McCusker

Active Belfast Ltd Board

SF	Councillor Carson
SF	Councillor Corr
SF	Councillor McLaughlin
DUP	Councillor Newton

Association of Port Health Authorities – Executive Board

SDLP	Councillor Heading
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Belfast Hills Partnership

SF	Councillor Corr
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Board of the Ulster Orchestra Society Limited

SDLP	Councillor Whyte
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Cathedral Quarter Trust

ALL	Councillor McAllister
DUP	Councillor Pankhurst

Grand Opera House Trust

UUP	Alderman Copeland
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Groundwork Northern Ireland

DUP	Councillor Dorrian
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Lagan Canal Restoration Trust

SF	Councillor McAteer
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Lagan Rural Partnership Local Action Group

All	Councillor Nicholl
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Lagan Valley Regional Park Advisory Committee

ALL	Councillor Nicholl
SF	Councillor McAteer
DUP	Councillor Bunting

Linenhall Library Board

PBPA	Councillor to be confirmed
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Local Strategic Partnership on Travellers Issues

SF	Councillor Groves
PBPA	Councillor to be confirmed

Lyric Theatre Education Advisory Panel

ALL	Councillor McDonough-Brown
GREEN	Councillor Groogan

Northern Ireland Amenity Council

ALL	Councillor McReynolds
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Northern Ireland Rural Development Programme

DUP	Councillor Graham
DUP	Councillor Bunting

Somme Advisory Council

DUP	Councillor Graham
ALL	Councillor Long
SDLP	Councillor McKeown

Tall Ships

DUP	Alderman Kingston
SDLP	Councillor de Faoite

Sustainable Community & Demographics Working Group

GREEN	Councillor O'Hara
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NILGA Policy & Learning Network - Reform, Devolution and Improvement

SF	Councillor McAteer
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NILGA Policy & Learning Network - Local Economic Development, Investment and International Affairs

ALL	Councillor Hanvey
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NILGA Policy & Learning Network - Place Shaping and Infrastructure

SF	Councillor S Baker
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NILGA Policy & Learning Network - Elected Member Development

SF	Councillor Canavan
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NILGA Policy & Learning Network - Health, Social and Environmental Wellbeing

SF	Councillor Donnelly
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Subject:	Use of City Hall – Destination Tourism
Date:	21 June 2019
Reporting Officer:	John Walsh, City Solicitor / Director of Legal & Civic Services
Contact Officer:	Aisling Milliken, Functions and Exhibition Manager

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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To amend terms and conditions regarding use of City Hall to permit the hosting of events to promote destination tourism.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	<p>The Committee is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant delegated authority to the Director of Legal and Civic Services to approve the hosting of events as described. To also delegate to the Director the negotiation and charging of fees for such events.
3.0	Main report
3.1	Northern Ireland Tourist Board has been working in conjunction with a number of companies to promote Belfast as a showcase destination for tourists with a particular focus on tour operators and business incentive market (in which companies offer travel products as bonuses/incentives). This entails bringing a range of venues and attractions together and marketing them in a unique package. As an example last year City Hall was used to

	<p>host the Hosts Global Conference which has generated £4 million for the local economy to date. This type of market is very competitive and lucrative and the unique USP of a city is key to successful marketing and securing business. City Hall is regarded as a signature feature of the City and a major incentive in attracting business. Giving access to City Hall for events is a major selling point that many other cities cannot offer. NITB regard this type of business as of equal importance to conferencing in terms of bed nights and visitor spend in the City. It is further of the view that there is a serious risk that this business will be lost if City Hall cannot be made part of the offer. Under the current arrangements City Hall is permitted to be used for hosting events related to conferences but not the destination tourism type events described.</p>
3.2	<p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>The proposal will be income generating.</p>
3.3	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>None.</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None