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**Democratic Services Section  
Legal and Civic Services Department  
Belfast City Council  
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8th January, 2025

## **MEETING OF COUNCIL**

Dear Alderman/Councillor,

In addition to those matters previously notified to you, the following item(s) will also be considered at the meeting to be held at 6.00 pm on Thursday, 9th January, 2025.

Yours faithfully,

John Walsh

Chief Executive

## **AGENDA:**

13. **Minutes of the Standards and Business Committee** (Pages 1 - 2)

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## Standards and Business Committee

Tuesday, 7th January, 2025

### HYBRID MEETING OF THE STANDARDS AND BUSINESS COMMITTEE HELD IN THE LAVERY ROOM AND REMOTELY VIA TEAMS

Members present: Councillor Lawlor (Chairperson) and Alderman Rodgers;  
Councillors Bradley, P. Donnelly, Carson, de Faoite, D. Douglas, Groogan, Kelly, Lyons, Maghie, Murphy, F. McAteer, McCormick, , McDonough-Brown and R. McLaughlin.

In attendance: Ms. N. Largey, City Solicitor and Director of Legal and Civic Services;  
Mr. J. Hanna, Democratic Services and Governance Manager, and  
Ms. C. Donnelly, Committee Services Officer.

#### **Apologies**

No apologies for inability to attend were reported.

#### **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of 21st November were taken as read and signed as correct. It was reported that those minutes had been adopted by the Council at its meeting on 2nd December.

#### **Motions**

The Committee considered the following two motions which had been received in advance of the Council's meeting on 9th January:

#### **Vital Role of Trees**

The Committee agreed that the motion, which had been proposed by Councillor Abernethy and seconded by Councillor Maghie, be referred, in the first instance, to the People and Communities Committee.

#### **Rates Break Sandy Row Business Community**

The Committee agreed that the motion, which had been proposed by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Councillor Bunting, be referred, in the first instance, to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee.

Chairperson

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