

BELFAST CITY COUNCIL

SUMMONS TO ATTEND SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

TO: THE LORD MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND THE COUNCILLORS OF BELFAST CITY COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a further special meeting of the Council, which has been called by the Lord Mayor following receipt of a requisition, will be held in remotely via Teams on Monday, 10th August, 2020 immediately following the meeting which has been summoned for 6pm for the transaction of the following business:

1. Summons
2. Apologies
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Motion - Establishment of an Independent Commission

In recent months our Party have received complaints from staff relating to harassment and bullying from Councillors and Political Parties. We recognise that all staff are owed a duty of care and that operating in a political environment does not change that fundamental legal requirement. We recognise that staff may be more fearful raising concerns because of the environment in which they work. There is no place for this behaviour in democratic society in which people's dignity and human rights should be protected. With this in mind, we call upon the Council to establish an independent commission to examine this issue and report the findings and make recommendations to ensure the protection of our staff.

The special meeting has been requisitioned by the following Members:

Signed:

Councillor Beattie	Proposer
Councillor McLaughlin	Seconder
Councillor Donnelly	
Councillor Gormley	
Councillor Maskey	

The Members of Belfast City Council are hereby summoned to attend.

Chief Executive