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Legal and Civic Services Department
Belfast City Council
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Belfast
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22nd August, 2022

#### STANDARDS AND BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Dear Alderman/Councillor,

The above-named Committee will meet in hybrid format, both in the Council Chamber and via Microsoft Teams, on Tuesday, 23rd August, 2022 at 5.30 pm, for the transaction of the business noted below.

You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,

John Walsh

Chief Executive

#### AGENDA:

#### 1. Routine Matters

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- (b) Minutes
- (c) Declarations of Interest

#### 2. Motions

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- (c) Notice of Motion GLL and Trade Unions (Pages 9 12)
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# Agenda Item 2a



Subje	ct:	Notice of Motion – Devolution of Local	Transport Powers	5
Date:		23rd August, 2022		
Repor	ting Officer:	Nora Largey, Interim City Solicitor		
Conta	ct Officer:	Jim Hanna, Senior Democratic Services (	Officer	
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1.0	Purpose of Repor	t/Summary of Main Issues		
1.1	To consider the No	otice of Motion received for the meeting of t	he Council on 1st	September
	in relation to Devol	ution of Local Transport Powers.		
2.0	Recommendation			
2.1	The Committee is a	asked to consider the motion and agree to e	ither adopt the mot	tion, refer it
	for debate at the C	ouncil meeting (with or without restrictions)	or reject the motion	n.

3.0	Main Report			
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3.1	The Committee will be aware Standing Orders 13 (m) to (r) as agreed by the Council at its meeting on 4th October is as follows:			
3.2	(m)	The Standards and Business Committee will have delegated authority to adopt or reject Notices of Motion. The Lord Mayor will indicate at the Council meeting those Notices of Motion that have been considered by the Standards and Business Committee and whether such Notices of Motion were rejected or adopted. In either case, the proposer only may speak on the issue at Council.		
	(n)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer all Notices of Motion directly to a standing committee when the matter to which the Notice of Motion refers falls within the remit of that committee. At Council, the Lord Mayor will indicate that the Notice of Motion was received and referred. There will be no speakers on such Notices of Motion at Council.		
	(0)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter.		
	(p)	The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate.		
	(q)	Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting.		
	(r)	In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies.		
3.3	The follow	ving motion has been received:		
	Devolution	on of Local Transport Powers		
		council notes our ambitions as laid out in the Belfast Agenda, Bolder Vision and note Strategy for a sustainable, well connected, vibrant and carbon neutral.		
hampered by our reliance on Government Departments		knowledge that our ability to achieve these ambitions has been severely red by our reliance on Government Departments and Statutory Agencies who always share our vision or who lack the agility to deliver at the speed required.		
	This Council has already called for the devolution of regeneration powers to help me the ambitions of this Council. We believe that the further devolution of local transp and infrastructure powers are also necessary if we are to bring the Belfast Agenda fruition.			

	As such, we will initiate dialogue with the Department for Infrastructure, Department for Communities and the Northern Ireland Local Government Association to commence the process of devolving these key powers."
	Proposer: Councillor O'Hara
	Seconder: Councillor Groogan
3.4	The motion calls for the devolution of transport powers – can be adopted, referred to the Council for debate (with or without restrictions) or rejected.
3.5	Financial and Resource Implications
	None associated with this report.
3.6	Equality or Good Relations Implications
	None.
4.0	Documents Attached
	None.



# Agenda Item 2b



::	Notice of Motion – Drink Spike Testing Kits in L	_iceiiseu f	remises
	23rd August, 2022		
ng Officer:	Nora Largey, Interim City Solicitor		
t Officer:	Jim Hanna, Senior Democratic Services Officer		
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ecision eligible for	Call-in? Yes	x X	No
Purpose of Report	/Summary of Main Issues		
To consider the No	tice of Motion received for the meeting of the Coun-	cil on 1st S	September
in relation to Drink	Spike Testing Kits in Licensed Premises.		
Recommendation			
The Committee is a	sked to note that the motion should be referred, in	the first in	stance, to
the Licensing Comr	nittee.		
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3.0	Main Report		
	Key Issue	<u>es</u>	
3.1		mittee will be aware Standing Orders 13 (m) to (r) as agreed by the Council at its on 4th October is as follows:	
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	(0)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter.	
		The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate.	
furnished at least one day in advance of going to the		Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting.	
	(r)	In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies.	
3.3	The follow	ving motion has been received:	
	Drink Spi	ike Testing Kits in Licensed Premises	
		ouncil, in a bid to make our night-time economy a safer place, will work with promises to introduce drink spike testing kits into their premises.	
	This will include training for staff on how to administer the kits, what to do in the even of a positive result, and promotional material promoting how customers can access the kits."		
	Proposer:	Councillor Murray	
	Seconder	: Councillor Maghie	

3.4	The motion calls upon the Council to work with licensed premises. The Licensing Committee			
	is responsible for the consideration of all matters pertaining to policy and legislation in relation			
	to licensing matters and should be referred, in the first instance, to that Committee.			
3.5	Financial and Resource Implications			
	None associated with this report.			
3.6	Equality or Good Relations Implications			
	None.			
4.0	Documents Attached			
	None.			



# Agenda Item 2c



Subjec	et:	Notice of Motion – GLL and Trade Unions			
Date:		23rd August, 2022			
Report	ting Officer:	Nora Largey, Interim City Solicitor			
Contac	ct Officer:	Jim Hanna, Senior Democratic Services Officer			
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Is the o	decision eligible for	Call-in? Yes X No			
1.0	1.0 Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues				
1.1	To consider the No	tice of Motion received for the meeting of the Council on 1st September			
	in relation to GLL and Trade Unions.				
2.0	Recommendation				
2.1	The Committee is a	asked to consider the motion and agree to either adopt the motion, refer it			
	for debate at the C	ouncil meeting (with or without restrictions) or reject the motion.			
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### 3.0 **Main Report Key Issues** 3.1 The Committee will be aware Standing Orders 13 (m) to (r) as agreed by the Council at its meeting on 4th October is as follows: 3.2 (m) The Standards and Business Committee will have delegated authority to adopt or reject Notices of Motion. The Lord Mayor will indicate at the Council meeting those Notices of Motion that have been considered by the Standards and Business Committee and whether such Notices of Motion were rejected or adopted. In either case, the proposer only may speak on the issue at Council. The Standards and Business Committee will refer all Notices of Motion directly to (n) a standing committee when the matter to which the Notice of Motion refers falls within the remit of that committee. At Council, the Lord Mayor will indicate that the Notice of Motion was received and referred. There will be no speakers on such Notices of Motion at Council. The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter. The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the (p) wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate. Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting. In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee (r) may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies. The following motion has been received: 3.3 **GLL and Trade Unions** "This Council recognises the importance of collective bargaining in the workplace and the central role of trade unions to this process, as representative voices for workers. Moreover, in a period where very many workers are opting to take industrial action, the Council recognises the right of workers to do so, and the role it can play in winning much needed pay increases during a cost-of-living crisis and while inflation continues to rise. The Council notes that there are ongoing issues in Council leisure centres across our city, which workers and their trade unions have been attempting to resolve. The Council also notes, with disappointment, that GLL do not officially recognise trade unions in Council leisure facilities, denying workers the ability to collectively bargain effectively.

	None.
4.0	Documents Attached
	None.
3.6	Equality or Good Relations Implications
	None associated with this report.
3.5	Financial and Resource Implications
3.4	The motion calls for the Council to undertake a number of actions – can be adopted, referred to the Council for debate (with or without restrictions) or rejected.
	Seconder: Councillor Michael Collins
	Proposer: Councillor Ferguson
	The Chief Executive of the Council will also convene a meeting with the relevant trade unions to hear directly about the issues facing workers in our leisure centres and commit to address them with GLL."
	This Council agrees that GLL should officially recognise trade unions in Belfast City Council leisure centres and will write to the leadership of the organisation to urge them to do so.



# Agenda Item 2d



Subje	ct:	Notice of Motion – Commonwealth Games sporting needs in the City	es success and female
Date:		23rd August, 2022	
Repor	ting Officer:	Nora Largey, Interim City Solicitor	
Conta	ct Officer:	Jim Hanna, Senior Democratic Services Of	ficer
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Is the	decision eligible for	Call-in?	Yes X No
1.0	Purpose of Repor	t/Summary of Main Issues	
1.1	To consider the No	tice of Motion received for the meeting of the	e Council on 1st September
	in relation to Comm	nonwealth Games success and female sporti	ng needs in the City.
2.0	Recommendation		
2.1	The Committee is a	sked to consider the motion and agree to eithe	er adopt part 1 of the motion,
	refer it for debate a	t the Council meeting (with or without restrict	ions) or reject the motion.
	The second part fal	ls within the remit of the People and Commur	nities Committee and should
	be referred to that (	Committee.	

3.0	Main Report		
	Key Issu	<u>es</u>	
3.1		mittee will be aware Standing Orders 13 (m) to (r) as agreed by the Council at its on 4th October is as follows:	
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	(n)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer all Notices of Motion directly to a standing committee when the matter to which the Notice of Motion refers falls within the remit of that committee. At Council, the Lord Mayor will indicate that the Notice of Motion was received and referred. There will be no speakers on such Notices of Motion at Council.	
	(0)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter.	
	(p)	The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate.	
	(q)	Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting.	
	(r)	In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies.	
3.3	The follow	ving motion has been received:	
	Common	wealth Games success and female sporting needs in the City	
	Comm	Council recognises the special achievements of Team Northern Ireland at the conwealth Games and the recent success with the Northern Ireland Women's team reaching the European Championships.	
		solve that the Belfast Mayor invites both teams to the City Hall to give them civic recognition for their successes.	
	City an NI, the focusso data as	ouncil also notes with concern a lack of capacity for female sports across the defect resolves to work in partnership with the Department of Communities, Sport Irish Football Association and any other relevant body to do an immediate and ed audit of female sporting needs across the City in an attempt to have as early a possible in terms of what is required to meet capacity for female sports across thing disciplines."	
	Proposer	Councillor Maskey	

	Seconder: Councillor McCabe			
3.4	The motion is in two parts:			
	<ul> <li>The first relates to an invitation by the Lord Mayor and can be adopted, referred to the Council for debate (with or without restrictions) or rejected</li> <li>The second, lack of capacity for female sports across the City, falls within the remit of the People and Communities Committee and should be referred, in the first instance to that Committee.</li> </ul>			
3.5	Financial and Resource Implications			
	None associated with this report.			
3.6	Equality or Good Relations Implications			
	None.			
4.0	Documents Attached			
	None.			



# Agenda Item 2e



Subje	ct:	Notice of Motion – Suspension of Govern those in receipt of benefits and universal		ecovery for
Date:		23rd August, 2022		
Repor	ting Officer:	Nora Largey, Interim City Solicitor		
Conta	ct Officer:	Jim Hanna, Senior Democratic Services Off	icer	
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Is the	decision eligible for	Call-in?	Yes X	No
1.0	Purpose of Repor	/Summary of Main Issues		
1.1	To consider the No	tice of Motion received for the meeting of the	Council on 1s	st September
	in relation to Suspe	nsion of Government Debt Recovery for thos	se in receipt of	benefits and
	universal credit.			
2.0	Recommendation			
2.1	The Committee is a	sked to consider the motion and agree to eith	er adopt the m	notion, refer i
	for debate at the Co	ouncil meeting (with or without restrictions) or	reject the mot	ion.

3.0	Main Report		
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	(n)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer all Notices of Motion directly to a standing committee when the matter to which the Notice of Motion refers falls within the remit of that committee. At Council, the Lord Mayor will indicate that the Notice of Motion was received and referred. There will be no speakers on such Notices of Motion at Council.	
	(0)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter.	
	(p)	The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate.	
	(q)	Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting.	
	(r)	In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies.	
3.3	The follow	wing motion has been received:	
		ion of Government Debt Recovery for receipt of benefits and universal credit	
		Council notes new research carried out by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation enting the alarming cost of living impact due to benefit deductions and debt ry.	
	work, a housel families becom	n receipt of means tested benefits and on Universal Credit, including many in are in bill payment arrears; taking on unaffordable debt; are going without hold essentials; and are unable to properly heat their homes or feed their s. With inflation continuing to rise and the hardship emergency predicted to be more extreme as we face into the winter months the situation for many is set sen in the absence of immediate intervention.	
	compo Goverr	t reductions to repay government and utility providers at unaffordable rates are funding the hardship crisis faced by many of those struggling the most. In ment departments are in some cases claiming back debts at higher rates than a creditors. Many people are unaware that they can receive debt reduction help.	

This Council will write to the Department of Communities' Minister requesting the immediate suspension of government debt recovery for those in receipt of benefits and universal credit. The Council also requests that the Department of Communities provide information on how many benefit and universal credit claims were subject to deductions in the most recent month for which data is available, broken down by Council area; how much on average was deducted in each Council area; what the total sum was of deductions in each Council area; and what proportion of each of those sums was deducted to repay advance payments." Proposer: Councillor Matt Collins Seconder: Councillor Ferguson 3.4 The motion calls for the Department of Communities to suspend government debt recovery for those in receipt of benefits and universal credit and requests also information from the Department in relation to benefits and universal credit claims – can be adopted, referred to the Council for debate (with or without restrictions) or rejected. 3.5 **Financial and Resource Implications** None associated with this report. 3.6 **Equality or Good Relations Implications** None. 4.0 **Documents Attached** None.



# Agenda Item 2f



Subje	ct:	Union — Support for Striking	Communication workers
Date:		23rd August, 2022	
Repor	ting Officer:	Nora Largey, Interim City Solicitor	
Contact Officer: Jim Hanna, Senior Democratic Services Officer		Officer	
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1.0	Purpose of Repor	t/Summary of Main Issues	
1.1	To consider the No	tice of Motion received for the meeting of the	ne Council on 1st September
	in relation to Suppo	ort for Striking Communication Workers Unic	on.
2.0	Recommendation		
2.1	The Committee is a	asked to consider the motion and agree to ei	ther adopt the motion, refer it
	for debate at the Co	ouncil meeting (with or without restrictions)	or reject the motion.

3.0	Main Report		
	Key Issues		
3.1		mittee will be aware Standing Orders 13 (m) to (r) as agreed by the Council at its on 4th October is as follows:	
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	(0)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter.	
	(p)	The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate.	
	(q)	Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting.	
	(r)	In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies.	
3.3	The follow	ving motion has been received:	
	Support 1	for Striking Communication Workers Union	
	"This Co to lift pa	ouncil supports the decision by communication workers to engage in strike action y.	
		will see significant strike action by workers in the Communication Workers Union, g staff from Royal Mail, BT and Openreach in a bid to improve staff wages.	
		cost-of-living spirals out of control, workers deserve a substantial pay increase to set rapidly escalating bills.	
	institutio	trikes are considered a last recourse for workers, in a context where the political ons have utterly failed to address the issue of poverty wages, and shareholder have been prioritised over pay rises for workers in line with inflation.	
	Recent	studies show that over half the population here now live in fuel poverty. Lifting	

wages would be a welcome step toward addressing fuel poverty, inequality, and improving the livelihood of those struggling to cope with rising costs. Belfast City Council supports these communication workers in their demands for an above inflation pay offer. Council resolves to write to senior management of Royal Mail, BT and Openreach encouraging them to present a fair, above inflation pay offer to workers. The Council also resolves to host an all-party meeting of Councillors, officers and representatives from CWU engaging in strike action, to explore ways in which Council can support their demands for a fair pay increase." Proposer: Councillor Michael Collins Seconder: Councillor Ferguson 3.4 The motion calls upon the Council to support the strike action by the Communications Workers Union - can be adopted, referred to the Council for debate (with or without restrictions) or rejected. **Financial and Resource Implications** 3.5 None associated with this report. **Equality or Good Relations Implications** 3.6 None. 4.0 **Documents Attached** None.



# Agenda Item 2g



Subjec	ot:	Notice of Motion – Herbicide Reduction Policy	у
Date:		23rd August, 2022	
Report	ting Officer:	Nora Largey, Interim City Solicitor	
Contac	ct Officer:	Jim Hanna, Senior Democratic Services Officer	
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Is the d	Is the decision eligible for Call-in?		
1.0	Purpose of Repor	t/Summary of Main Issues	
1.1	To consider the No	tice of Motion received for the meeting of the Cou	ıncil on 1st September
	in relation to Herbic	cide Reduction Policy.	
2.0	Recommendation		
2.1	The Committee is a	sked to consider the motion and agree to either ac	dopt the motion, refer it
	for debate at the Co	ouncil meeting (with or without restrictions) or rejec	ct the motion.

3.0	Main Report		
	Key Issue	<u>es</u>	
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	(0)	The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter.	
	(p)	The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate.	
	(q)	Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting.	
	(r)	In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies.	
3.3	The follow	ving motion has been received:	
	Herbicide	e Reduction Policy	
	loss, w	council notes that Northern Ireland ranks 12 <sup>th</sup> worst in the world for biodiversity with significant threats to our natural and native wildlife and habitats due to intervention.	
		er notes that a scientific study published in June stated that chemical pollution ssed the safe limit for humanity.	
	herbici	ouncil commits to the principle of herbicide reduction and will develop a de reduction policy for use across the council estate, in line with best practice ng weed control and land management."	
	Proposer:	Councillor Flynn	
	Seconder	: Councillor Smyth	

3.4	The motion calls for the Council to develop a herbicide reduction policy – as this matter falls within the remit of the People and Communities Committee, it should be referred, in the first instance to that Committee.
3.5	Financial and Resource Implications
	None associated with this report.
3.6	Equality or Good Relations Implications
	None.
4.0	Documents Attached
	None.

