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### MEETING OF THE STRATEGIC POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Dear Alderman/Councillor,

The above-named Committee will meet both online and in-person, in the Lavery Room, City Hall on Friday, 24th October, 2025 at 9.30 am, for the transaction of the business noted below.

You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,

John Walsh

Chief Executive

#### AGENDA:

#### 1. Routine Matters

- (a) Apologies
- (b) Minutes
- (c) Declarations of Interest
- (d) Request to Present Northern Ireland Water (Pages 1 2)

### 2. Restricted Items

- (a) Revenue Estimates 2026/27 and Medium-Term Financial Planning (Pages 3 8)
- (b) Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann (Report to Follow)
- (c) Update on Hardship Programme (Pages 9 34)
- (d) City Centre Regeneration Scheme (Assembly Rooms) (Report to Follow)

- (e) Update on Employees on Temporary Contracts and Agency Workers Quarter Two (Pages 35 52)
- (f) Organisational Reviews and Change Programme
- (g) Belfast Stories Update (Pages 53 114)
- (h) Supporting Area-based Community Planning and Community Wealth Building (Pages 115 150)
- (i) FIFA Women's World Cup (Report to Follow)
- (j) EV Update EV Charging Network on Council sites and Depot Charging Scheme
- (k) North Foreshore Giant's Park Belfast Limited: Leisure Led Development Update

#### 3. Matters referred back from Council/Motions

- (a) Motion Update National Famine Commemoration Day
- (b) Correspondence Translink Belfast Grand Central Station Update

# 4. Belfast Agenda/Strategic Issues

- (a) Belfast Agenda Statement of Progress (Pages 151 210)
- (b) Additional Budget Social Supermarket Fund 25/26
- (c) Site Visit to an Operational Heat Network Leeds City Council (Pages 211 214)
- (d) Paternity Pay Provisions (Pages 215 220)
- (e) Apprenticeship Programme Update (Pages 221 224)
- (f) Planning Information (Pages 225 242)
- (g) Renewal of the Scheme of Delegation for Planning (Pages 243 256)

## 5. Physical Programme and Asset Management

- (a) Physical Programme Update (Pages 257 288)
- (b) Asset Management

#### 6. Finance, Procurement and Performance

- (a) Contracts Update (Report to Follow)
- (b) Requests for Funding (Pages 289 296)

## 7. Equality and Good Relations

(a) Minutes of Shared City Partnership Meeting, 6th October (Pages 297 - 364)

## 8. **Operational Issues**

- (a) Minutes of the Party Group Leaders Consultative Forum, 16th October (Pages 365 370)
- (b) Requests for use of the City Hall and the provision of Hospitality (Pages 371 376)
- (c) Human Rights Day 2025 Flag Requests (Pages 377 378)
- (d) Minutes of the Cost of Living Working Group, 14th October (Pages 379 382)

# 9. <u>Issues Raised in Advance by Members</u>

(a) Levels of criminality and violence in the City Centre (Cllr Beattie to raise)