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BELFAST CITY COUNCIL

SUMMONS TO ATTEND A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

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

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the Council will be held online and in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Belfast on Thursday, 23rd April, 2026 at 6.00 pm, for the transaction of the following business:

1. Summons
2. Apologies
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Motion - Planning Enforcement (Bobby Sands Statue) (Pages 1 - 2)

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

John Walsh

Chief Executive

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Motion – Planning Enforcement (Bobby Sands Statue)

“This Council:

1. Condemns the unauthorised erection of a statue of Bobby Sands on public land in west Belfast, expresses serious concern at the decision not to pursue enforcement action, and calls for that decision to be reconsidered in line with the Council’s planning responsibilities and duty to apply the law consistently and fairly across all communities;
2. Requests full transparency in respect of this decision, including disclosure to Members of all relevant documentation, correspondence, internal communications, and the legal basis and rationale upon which the decision was made, subject to legal and data protection requirements.”

Proposer: Alderman Dean A. McCullough

Seconder: Councillor Sarah Bunting

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