



Subject:	Notice of Motion: Capital Investments in Parks, Public and Open Spaces
Date:	9th August, 2022
Reporting Officer:	Sara Steele, Democratic Services Officer
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Restricted Reports	
Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?	
After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To consider a motion in relation to Capital Investments in Parks, Public and Open Spaces, which was referred to the Committee by the Standards and Business Committee at its meeting on 28th June.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Members of the Committee are asked to consider the motion and, if the proposal is agreed, to agree that a report on how this would be facilitated, resourced and managed will be brought back.

3.0	Main report
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>At the meeting of the Standards and Business Committee held on 28th June, the following motion, which was proposed by Councillor O'Hara and seconded by Councillor Groogan, was referred to the Committee for consideration:</p>
3.2	<p>“This Council recognises the importance of parks, public and open spaces across the city. We understand that during the pandemic, more and more people in our city realised the inherent value of these spaces. We support and recognise the Council’s ongoing work in developing our parks, public and open spaces but believe we need a step change in investment in these spaces.</p>
	<p>This Council has also passed a number of motions related to improving our parks and open spaces, including access to bins, late night opening, lighting schemes and also other motions supported by this Council on rewilding, enhancing urban biodiversity, sport development, youth diversion, health and wellbeing and employment opportunities.</p>
	<p>To build on these motions and other bodies of work, this Council will commit to a long-term investment in our parks, public and open spaces. This will replicate the capital investment programme undertaken in the transformation of leisure services and commits to sourcing funding and investment opportunities to achieve this.”</p>
3.3	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>None.</p>
3.4	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>This Notice of Motion, if agreed, may have potential equality, good relations and rural needs implications and should be subject to our normal screening process as appropriate.</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None.