Standards and Business Committee

Tuesday, 28th November, 2023

MEETING OF THE STANDARDS AND BUSINESS COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE LAVERY ROOM AND REMOTELY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Members present: The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Groogan);

Aldermen Lawlor, McCullough and Rodgers; and Councillors Bradley, M. Donnelly, P. Donnelly, D. Douglas, Duffy, Kelly, Lyons, Magee,

G. McAteer, McCormick, McDowell and McMullan.

In attendance: Mr. C. Campbell, Divisional Solicitor;

Mr. J. Hanna, Senior Democratic Services Officer; and

Mrs. L. McLornan, Democratic Services Officer.

(Alderman Rodgers, Deputy Chairperson, in the Chair)

Apologies

Apologies for inability to attend were reported from Councillor McDonough-Brown (Chairperson) and Councillors F. McAteer and R. McLaughlin.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 24th October were taken as read and signed as correct. It was reported that those minutes had been adopted by the Council at its meeting on 1st November.

Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were recorded.

Schedule of Meetings 2024

The Committee agreed the following meeting dates for 2024, with all meetings to commence at 5.30 p.m.:

- Thursday, 4th January;
- Tuesday, 23rd January;
- Thursday, 22nd February;
- Thursday, 28th March;
- Tuesday, 23rd April;
- Thursday, 23rd May;
- Tuesday, 25th June;
- Thursday, 22nd August;

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- Tuesday, 24th September;
- Thursday, 24th October; and
- Thursday, 21st November.

Motions

The Committee considered the following six motions which had been received in advance of the Council meeting on 4th December:

Cost of School Uniforms and P.E. Kits

The Committee agreed that the motion, which had been proposed by Councillor Bunting and seconded by Councillor Kelly, be referred to the Council for debate, with no restriction to be placed on the number of speakers.

Feasibility Study into a Blackstaff Greenway

The Committee agreed that the motion, which had been proposed by Councillor T. Brooks and seconded by Councillor Murray, be referred, in the first instance, to the People and Communities Committee.

Regional Jobs and Investment Bill

The Committee agreed that the motion, which had been proposed by Councillor Doherty and seconded by Councillor Whyte, be referred, in the first instance, to the City Growth and Regeneration Committee.

Removal of the Maximum Capital Value Cap on Domestic Rates

The Committee agreed that the motion, which had been proposed by Councillor McDowell and seconded by Councillor Flynn, be referred, in the first instance, to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee.

Right to Grow on Council owned land

The Committee agreed that the motion, which had been proposed by Councillor Bell and seconded by Councillor Flynn, be referred, in the first instance, to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee.

Tiny Urban Forests

The Committee agreed that the motion, which had been proposed by Councillor Smyth and seconded by Councillor D. Douglas, be referred, in the first instance, to the People and Communities Committee.

Deputy Chairperson