



Subject:	Request to Present – Northern Ireland Water
Date:	18th September, 2026
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Restricted Reports	
Is this report restricted?	Yes ☐ No ☒
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?	
After Committee Decision	☐
After Council Decision	☐
Some time in the future	☐
Never	☐

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes ☒ No ☐

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
	To request that the Members of the Committee receive a presentation from Northern Ireland Water regarding a briefing on its emerging Business Plan for the Price Control period PC28 (2028 to 2033) and the implications for housing, economic development and environmental improvement within Belfast.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to: Consider the request to receive a presentation from Northern Ireland Water at a future meeting.

3.0	Main report
3.1	Correspondence has been received from Northern Ireland Water to present an update on the vital role that water and wastewater infrastructure plays in supporting housing, economic growth and environmental improvement within the Belfast area and across Northern Ireland.
3.2	This presentation will include: • An update on NI Water's investment programme and key projects within Belfast; • The importance of water and wastewater infrastructure as a key enabler of housing growth, economic development and environmental protection; • Current wastewater capacity constraints and the implications these may have for future development opportunities within Belfast; • An overview of NI Water's emerging PC28 Business Plan and the level of investment required to maintain services, improve resilience and support future growth; and • How investment in water and wastewater infrastructure can help unlock sustainable development and support the ambitions of local communities. The briefing will also outline the practical consequences of investment not keeping pace with identified needs, including impacts on environmental improvement objectives and wastewater network capacity, with potential implications for housing delivery, economic growth, and the resilience of essential services across Council areas and Northern Ireland.
3.3	In the past, Northern Ireland Water has presented to both the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee and the City Growth and Regeneration Committee. Therefore, the Committee may wish to consider if the invitation to this presentation is widened to include the City Growth and Regeneration Committee, or if a separate presentation is necessary.
3.4	Officers will request that the presentation is shared with Members in advance of the meeting.
4.0	Finance & Resource Implications
	There are no finance or resource implications associated with this report
5.0	Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment
	There are no Equality or Good Relation Implications/Rural Needs Assessment requirements associated with this report
6.0	Appendices
	None