

**Minute of the Joint Group of Party Group Leaders Forum and Historic
Centenaries Working Group
Friday 16 November 2012**

Present: Cllr Hendron (chair), Cllr Jones, Cllr Kyle, Cllr Mallon, Cllr Maskey, Cllr McVeigh, Cllr Reynolds, Ald Rodgers and Ald Stalford.

In attendance: Ciaran Quigley, Assistant Chief Executive and Town Solicitor, Hazel Francey, Good Relations Manager, Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager and Caroline Wilson, Programme Manager (note-taker).

Agenda Item 1 – Routine Matters

1. An apology for inability to attend was reported from Cllr Attwood, Ald Browne, Cllr Hanna, Ald Ekin, Ald Humphrey and Ald Smyth. Ald Stalford was attending on behalf of Ald Humphrey; Cllr Mallon was attending on behalf of Cllr Attwood; Cllr Jones was attending on behalf of Ald Ekin.
2. The minutes of the previous meeting Thursday 18 October were agreed.
3. No declarations of interest were made.

Agenda Item 2 – Final decision report of EQIA on Belfast City Hall – Promoting an Harmonious Working Environment

4. Cllr Hendron welcomed Dr John Kremer to the meeting and invited him to present his final conclusions on the above-named EQIA.
5. Following a number of comments and questions from Members, the Joint Group **agreed** to re-affirm the principles contained within the report and acknowledged that the development of a properly resourced action plan was the critical next step in the process. H Francey indicated that a draft action plan with visuals was under preparation for presentation to the Joint Group in January.
6. Cllr Hendron thanked Dr Kremer for his report.

Agenda Item 3 – Final decision report of EQIA on Flying of the Union Flag

7. Cllr Hendron welcomed Denise Wheatley to the meeting and invited her to present her final conclusions on the above-named EQIA.
8. Following a number of comments and questions from Members, the Joint Group **agreed** to forward the report to the SP&R Committee for its consideration of the options contained therein.
9. Cllr Hendron thanked Ms Wheatley for her report and closed the meeting.

Chief Executive