



Subject:	Listing of Buildings – Malone Park and North Street
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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	Correspondence has been received from the Historic Environment Division (HED) regarding the proposed listing of buildings in Belfast. Article 80 (3) of the Planning Act (NI) 2011 requires the HED to consult with the Council before placing any building on the statutory list of buildings of special architectural or historic interest.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is requested to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• note the contents of Appendix 1; and• support the proposed listings of the buildings as detailed in paragraphs 3.6 and 3.9
3.0	Main report
3.1	The Second Survey of all of Northern Ireland's building stock, is currently underway, to update and improve on the first List of buildings of special architectural or historic interest which began in 1974. This second survey for Belfast is due to be completed in 2017.
3.2	In considering whether to include a building as Listed, the Historic Environment Division (HED) takes into account the architectural and historic interest of a structure and is also given the power to consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• any respect in which its exterior contributes to the architectural or historic interest of any group of buildings of which it forms part; and• the desirability of preserving, on the ground of its architectural or historic interest, any feature of the building which consists of a manmade object or structure fixed to the building or which forms a part of the land and which is comprised within the curtilage of the building.
3.3	Should the Department for Communities decide to list a property, this places certain responsibility on the owner, for example, a listed building has to be maintained in a way appropriate to its character and cannot be altered or demolished without prior approval.

3.4	The summaries set out in Appendix 1 for the proposed listed buildings are taken from the property evaluation and detail the main features alongside the recommended class of listing. The appendix also sets out the summary of the four categories (A to B2) for Listed buildings in Northern Ireland under the ongoing work as part of the Second Survey.
3.5	The proposed listing for 30 Malone park was considered at Committee on 15 August 2017 and deferred so that further clarification could be sought from the HED regarding the process that had been undertaken to list the property.
3.6	The Historic Environment Division has confirmed that their normal processes were followed in the consideration and subsequent recommendation to Council for the listing for 30 Malone Park. However, it should be noted that HED have agreed to outline the process for the consideration of listed building in a separate presentation to this Committee. It is recommended the Committee supports the proposed listing, of 30 Malone Park, in recognition of the heritage value set out in Appendix 1
3.7	In regard to the properties on North Street the Committee may wish to note that earlier this year Planning Service became aware that a number of building with potential heritage value were at risk of demolition. Following initial investigations and consultations Building Preservation Notices were placed on three properties at 150 to 174 North Street and HED were formally requested to consider the merits of listing the properties.
3.8	<p>The Department based on the completion of detailed surveys, is currently considering the listing of the two of the three properties and has requested the Council's comments in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 156 – 164 North Street, Belfast, BT1 1LF ● 166 – 174 North Street, Belfast, BT1 1QS
3.9	As outlined above Planning Service requested that the HED to consider the listing of three properties on North Street. It is, therefore, recommended that the Committee supports the proposed listing of 156 to 174 North Street, in recognition of the heritage value detailed in Appendix 1.
3.10	<p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u> None</p>
3.11	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u> None</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	<p>APPENDIX 1: Property Evaluations APPENDIX 2: Imagery</p>