



<b>Subject:</b>	Request to Film at the Council Meeting in November
<b>Date:</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> October, 2017
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager

<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
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"/>

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

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues</b>
1.1	To consider a request from Erica Starling Productions to film at the monthly Council meeting on 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 2017.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	The Committee is asked to; <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>consider the matter and to take such action as may be determined.</li></ul>
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main report</b>
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> Erica Starling Productions have been commissioned by BBC Northern Ireland to make a documentary about the decriminalisation of homosexuality in Northern Ireland. As part of

	that documentary, they are keen to film Councillor Dudgeon due to his involvement with the campaign for decriminalisation.
3.2	The production company have requested specifically to film Councillor Dudgeon during the monthly Council meeting on 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 2017. The company have been advised that, should permission be granted, they will be required to film from a static position at the rear of the Council Chamber. It is not anticipated that the filming will cause any disruption to the proceedings of the meeting.
3.3	In previous years, the Council has permitted filming of individual Members about whom documentaries were being made, although those documentaries were about the year in office of sitting Lord Mayors.
3.4	If the Committee is minded to accede to the request, then, following the ratification of the minutes of the meeting of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee at the Council meeting on 1 <sup>st</sup> November, representatives of the production company will require access to the Council Chamber to commence filming.
	<u>Financial and Resource Implications</u>
3.5	None associated with his report.
	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u>
3.6	None associated with this report.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b>
	None