



Subject:	Notice of Motion - Amendment to Standing Order 30
Date:	15 th December, 2017
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After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
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	To consider a notice of motion in relation to amending Standing Order 30 which, in accordance with standing orders, was referred to the Committee by the Council at its meeting on 4 th December.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to <ul style="list-style-type: none">• consider the notice of motion and to take such action thereon as may be determined.
3.0	Main report
	<u>Key Issues</u>
3.1	At the meeting of the Council on 4 th December, the following notice of motion was proposed by Councillor O'Hara and seconded by Councillor O'Neill:

	<p>“This Council agrees that 'Standing order 30: “A Member shall not impute motives or use offensive expression in reference to any Member of the Council” be amended to read: “A Member shall not impute motives or use offensive expression in reference to any persons or sections of society, that shows contempt on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, religious belief, age or disability”.</p> <p>3.2 In accordance with Standing Order 13(f), the notice of motion was referred to the Committee for consideration.</p> <p>3.3 If the Committee is minded to agree to the amendment, it is suggested that the text of Standing Order 30 should read: <i>“A Member shall not impute motives or use offensive expression in reference to any person or section of society, including any such expression that shows contempt in relation to their race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, religious belief, age or disability.”</i></p> <p>3.4 It should be noted that <i>Standing Order 64 – Amendments to Standing Orders and repeals</i> – requires any alteration to Standing Orders to be agreed by resolution of the Council passed at one meeting and confirmed at another. Therefore, the resolution would need to be passed at the January meeting and confirmed at the following meeting in February.</p> <p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>3.5 None associated with this report.</p> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>3.6 None</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None