



Subject:	Business in the Community 2018 Responsible Business Awards
Date:	20 April 2018
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Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
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
1.1	The purpose of this report is to seek permission for council representatives to attend the 2018 Business in the Community Responsible Business Awards event on 24 May 2018.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	<p>The Committee is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agree to the council's attendance at the 2018 Business in the Community Responsible Business Awards event, on 24 May 2018.• Approve the attendance of the Chair or Deputy Chair of Strategic Policy & Resources Committee, or a nominee, the Chair of the Equality & Diversity Network (City Solicitor), or his nominee, and the Human Resources Manager.

3.0	Main report
<p data-bbox="164 360 209 389">3.1</p> <p data-bbox="164 663 209 692">3.2</p> <p data-bbox="164 965 209 994">3.3</p> <p data-bbox="164 1120 209 1149">3.4</p>	<p data-bbox="258 262 405 291"><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p data-bbox="258 360 1337 389">Invitation to 2018 Business in the Community Responsible Business Awards</p> <p data-bbox="258 461 1487 593">The council has been shortlisted as a finalist in the 'Diversity & Inclusion' category of the 2018 awards and invited to attend this year's awards event. The awards event is scheduled to take place on the evening of 24 May 2018 in Belfast Waterfront Hall.</p> <p data-bbox="258 663 1487 846">This nomination follows an increase in activity in recent years to support and raise awareness of diversity and inclusion issues externally and in the workplace. This is part of our ongoing work to fulfil the council's Section 75 and other legislative duties, as well as demonstrate civic leadership and best practice.</p> <p data-bbox="258 916 742 945">Financial & Resource Implications</p> <p data-bbox="258 965 1353 1048">Three individual places will cost £99 each. This cost will be met from the 2018-2019 organisational development budget.</p> <p data-bbox="258 1120 820 1149">Equality or Good Relations Implications</p> <p data-bbox="258 1169 1449 1296">Attendance at the awards event will demonstrate the council's continuing commitment to embrace equality & diversity and promote itself as an inclusive organisation to staff and the community.</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None