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| <b>Subject:</b>           | Pollinators and Neonicotinoid Pesticides |
| <b>Date:</b>              | 7th August, 2018                         |
| <b>Reporting Officer:</b> | Sara Steele, Democratic Services Officer |
| <b>Contact Officer:</b>   | Sara Steele, Democratic Services Officer |

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

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

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| <b>1.0</b> | <b>Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues</b>   |
| 1.1        | To update the Committee that responses have been received in relation to an issue that had been raised by a Member at the Committee held on 5th December 2017, in relation to the EU restrictions on neonicotinoid pesticide applications and seeking an assurance that these restrictions would be retained in the event of Brexit. |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b>Recommendations</b>   |
|            | The Committee is asked to <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Note the response and take any such action as may be determined.</li></ul>   |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>Main report</b>   |
|            | <u>Key Issues</u>  |
| 3.1        | At the meeting of the People and Communities Committee held on 5th December 2017, at the request of Councillor Milne, the Committee agreed to write to the Department for  |

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| <p>3.2</p> <p>3.3</p> <p>3.4</p> | <p>Environment and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and the Permanent Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (DAERA) to outline the Council's support for the proposed restrictions in relation to neonicotinoids and its agreement that such restrictions should be retained following Brexit.</p> <p>The Committee is advised that responses have now been received, a copy of which are attached. Both DEFRA and DAERA outlined in the responses that they too agree that the existing restrictions should be retained following the UK's withdrawal from the European Union.</p> <p><u>Financial &amp; Resource Implications</u></p> <p>None</p> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>None</p> |
| <p><b>4.0</b></p>                | <p><b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b></p>  |
|                                  | <p>Appendix 1 - Letter from the Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs<br/>Letter from the Department for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs</p>  |