



Subject:	Illuminate request to mark UN International Day of Human Rights/Irish Language
Date:	23 rd November 2018
Reporting Officer:	John Walsh, City Solicitor
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Restricted Reports	
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"/>

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	Members will be aware there are governance arrangements approved by the Committee for use of the ILLUMINATE LED lighting at the City Hall. Where a request does not meet the subsisting governance arrangements, the organisers are informed of this; however in circumstances where the organisers still wish to persue an application the request maybe placed before the Committee for approval, as below.
1.2	A request has recently been received from Cllr Beattie on behalf of Conradh na Gaelige to have the City Hall illuminated in red on the 10 th December which is the UN International Day of Human Rights. Conradh na Gaelige also want to use the special illuminate to help

	raise awareness of the Irish Language which they state is a basic Human Right for large sections of the community in Belfast and further afield.
1.3	Due to the Christmas Lights, it is not possible to do a special illuminate on the 10 th December and they have now asked that a special illuminate is allowed on a date to be decided in January 2019.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider the request to allow the special illuminate on a date to be decided in January 2019.
3.0	Main report
	<u>Key Issues</u>
3.1	The key issues in respect of this report are:
3.2	Whether or not the Committee wishes to grant permission for this request in light of the fact that it does not meet the subsisting criteria.
3.3	Whether or not the Committee wishes to grant permission for the illuminate to take place on a date which is not the recognised date for the UN International Day of Human Rights
3.4	Conradh na Gaelige will be using the illuminate to help promote the Irish Language
	<u>Financial & Resource Implications</u>
3.5	There are no direct resource implications in terms of staff time or additional costs associated with this request
	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u>
3.6	Recommendation that a Section 75 Assessment is undertaken prior to the illuminate
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None