



Subject:	Motion – Million Trees
Date:	5th March, 2019
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Restricted Reports	
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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/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To bring to the Committee's attention a Motion regarding Million Trees, which will be presented to the Council at its meeting on 4th March.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is requested to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Consider the Motion and take such action thereon as may be determined.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> The following motion regarding Million Trees, which will be proposed by Councillor Heading, and seconded by Councillor Long, will be presented to the Council at its meeting on 4th March:

3.2	<p>“The importance of trees to the ambience, amenity and beauty of cities and to the wellbeing of their citizens is universally recognised, as is the role they play in promoting public health by combatting the air pollution that is linked to a range of medical conditions including asthma, heart and lung diseases, and early onset Alzheimer’s.</p> <p>Cognisant of these benefits, and consistent with this Council’s commitment to transform the way in which post-conflict Belfast is perceived by its citizens, potential investors, and visitors from home and abroad, the Council agrees to position Belfast as a leading sustainable, green city, by facilitating the planting of at least a million trees in Belfast over the next fifteen years.”</p>
3.3	<p>In accordance with Standing Order 13(f), the Motion was referred without discussion to the People and Communities Committee.</p>
3.4	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>None.</p>
3.5	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>None.</p>
4.0	<p>Appendices - Documents Attached</p>
	<p>None</p>