



Subject:	Proposal For Dual Language Street Signs
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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To consider an application for the erection of dual language street signs for an existing street within the City.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	As at least two thirds of the total numbers of persons surveyed in the streets are in favour of the proposal to erect a second street nameplate in Irish at Slemish Way and the Committee is recommended to approve the application.

3.0	Main report										
	<p data-bbox="272 255 421 286"><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p data-bbox="165 309 1469 439">3.1 The power for the Council to consider applications to erect a second street nameplate in a language other than English is contained in Article 11 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1995.</p> <p data-bbox="165 510 1469 640">3.2 Members are asked to consider the following application to erect a second street nameplate showing the name of the street expressed in a language other than English. The second language is Irish.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="272 757 1431 1012"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="272 757 502 860">English Name</th> <th data-bbox="502 757 732 860">Non- English Name</th> <th data-bbox="732 757 962 860">Location</th> <th data-bbox="962 757 1198 860">Applicant</th> <th data-bbox="1198 757 1431 860">Persons surveyed</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 860 502 1012">Slemish Way</td> <td data-bbox="502 860 732 1012">Bealach Shliabh Mis</td> <td data-bbox="732 860 962 1012">Off Andersonstown Road, BT11</td> <td data-bbox="962 860 1198 1012">Councillor Séanna Walsh</td> <td data-bbox="1198 860 1431 1012">95</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p data-bbox="165 1115 1469 1200">3.3 The translations were authenticated by Queens University, the approved translator for Belfast City Council.</p> <p data-bbox="165 1249 1469 1402">3.4 In accordance with the Council’s policy for the erection of dual language street signs surveys of all persons appearing on the Electoral Register for the above streets were carried out and the following responses were received.</p> <p data-bbox="272 1469 544 1500">Slemish Way, BT11</p> <p data-bbox="165 1550 1246 1657">3.5 70 people (74%) are in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate 25 people (26%) did not respond to the survey</p> <p data-bbox="165 1720 1469 1850">3.6 The Council’s policy on the erection of a second street nameplate requires that at least two thirds (66.6%) of the people surveyed must be in favour of the proposal to erect a second street sign in a language other than English.</p>	English Name	Non- English Name	Location	Applicant	Persons surveyed	Slemish Way	Bealach Shliabh Mis	Off Andersonstown Road, BT11	Councillor Séanna Walsh	95
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3.7	<p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>There is a cost of approximately £500 to cover the cost of the manufacturing and erection of the dual language street signs. The cost for these street signs has been allowed for in the current budget.</p>
3.8	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>There are no direct equality/rural needs implications.</p>
4.0	<p>Appendices – Documents Attached</p>
	<p>None</p>