



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 existing streets 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 North Link, Tardree Park, Norglen Gardens, Avoca Close, Monagh Grove and Norglen Parade, the Committee is recommended to approve the applications.
3.0	Main report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> 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.

3.2 Members are asked to consider the following applications to erect a second street nameplates showing the names of the streets expressed in a language other than English. The second language is Irish.

3.3

English Name	Non- English Name	Location	Applicant	Persons surveyed
North Link	An Nasc Thuaidh	Off Benraw Road, BT11	Councillor Séanna Walsh	85
Tardree Park	Páirc an Aird Fhraoigh	Off North Link, BT11	Councillor Séanna Walsh	20
Norglen Gardens	Garraithe an Ghleanna Thuaidh	Off Norfolk Road, BT11	Councillor Séanna Walsh	61
Avoca Close	Clós Abhóca	Off Springfield Road, BT12	Councillor Séanna Walsh	19
Monagh Grove	Garrán na Móna	Off Monagh Road, BT11	Councillor Séanna Walsh	1
Norglen Parade	Paráid an Ghleann Thuaidh	Off Norglen Road, BT11	Councillor Séanna Walsh	353

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The translations were authenticated by Queens University, the approved translator for Belfast City Council and the Belfast City Council Irish Language Officer.

3.5

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.

3.6

North Link, BT11

65 people (77%) are in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate
 1 person (1%) is not in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate
 19 people (22%) did not respond to the survey

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Tardree Park, BT11

16 people (80%) are in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate
 4 people (20%) did not respond to the survey

<p>3.8</p> <p>3.9</p> <p>3.10</p> <p>3.11</p> <p>3.12</p> <p>3.13</p> <p>3.14</p>	<p>Norglen Gardens, BT11</p> <p>42 people (69%) are in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate 1 person (2%) is not in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate 18 people (29%) did not respond to the survey</p> <p>Avoca Close, BT11</p> <p>16 people (84%) are in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate 3 people (16%) did not respond to the survey</p> <p>Monagh Grove, BT11</p> <p>1 person (100%) is in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate</p> <p>Norglen Parade, BT11</p> <p>257 people (73%) are in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate 1 person (less than 1%) is not in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate 3 people (less than 1%) have no preference either way 92 people (1%) did not respond to the survey</p> <p>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> <p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>There is a cost of approximately £1200 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> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>There are no direct equality/rural needs implications.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Appendices – Documents Attached</p>
	<p>None</p>