



Subject:	Motion – High Speed Rail Connection
Date:	12th February, 2020
Reporting Officer:	Mr. H. Downey, Democratic Services Officer
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1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To consider a motion on High Speed Rail Connection, which was referred to the Committee by the Council at its meeting on 3rd February.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is requested to consider the motion and take such action thereon as may be determined.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	At the Council meeting on 3rd February, the following motion was proposed by Councillor S. Baker and seconded by Councillor Garrett: <i>“This Council welcomes the commitment in the ‘New Decade New Approach’ document which states that “The Irish Government is supportive of serious and detailed joint consideration</i>

	<p><i>through the NSMC of the feasibility of a high-speed rail connection between Belfast, Dublin and Cork, creating a spine of connectivity on the island.”</i></p> <p><i>As this is also a Council priority, the Council will seek a meeting with Irish Government officials, Council officers and party group leaders to discuss this proposition further.”</i></p>
3.2	<p>In accordance with Standing Order 13(f), the motion was referred without debate to the City Growth and Regeneration Committee.</p>
	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p>
3.3	<p>None associated with this report.</p>
	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p>
3.4	<p>None</p>
4.0	Documents Attached
	<p>None</p>