



Subject:	Motion – Residents’ Parking Schemes
Date:	8th September, 2020
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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 the Motion in respect of the Residents’ Parking Schemes which was referred to the Committee by the Council on 1st September.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is requested to <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consider the motion and if the proposal is agreed a report on how this would be facilitated, resourced and managed will be brought back.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> The Council, at its meeting on 1st September, considered the following Motion which had been moved by Councillor Black and seconded by Councillor McLaughlin.

3.2	<p>“This council recognises the recent changes in commuter travel patterns, including a greater emphasis on connectivity particularly for cycling and walking. However, this council is mindful that such changes are a result of decreased traffic volumes due to working from home and are likely to rise again with full re-opening, returns to work and education. Daily issues facing city centre surrounding communities related to excessive parking levels and dangerous practices remain and are increasing to a pre-lockdown hazardous level.</p> <p>This issue is prevalent in city centre surrounding communities and causes documented operational problems related to cleansing, access for emergency services, road safety for families, street layout, pedestrian access, connectivity, road and pavement surfacing, air quality and daily life. Belfast City Council, in line with the Belfast Agenda’s commitments related to good health and wellbeing, vibrancy, attractiveness and connectivity, must influence action to find realistic solutions to support densely populated urban residential communities. Flexibility and dynamism have been illustrated during the pandemic related to connectivity. This same level of expediency must be implemented to target this historical and highly contentious problem.</p> <p>As such this Council agrees to write to the Department for Infrastructure to invite representatives to attend the People and Communities Committee and to advance Residents’ parking schemes in urban affected communities”.</p>
3.3	<p>In accordance with Standing Order 13(f), the Motion was referred without discussion to the People and Communities Committee.</p>
	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p>
3.4	<p>None.</p>
	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p>
3.5	<p>None.</p>
4.0	Appendices - Documents Attached
	None