



<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Notice of Motion – Holocaust Memorial Day</b>
<b>Date:</b>	6th January, 2022
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	John Walsh, City Solicitor
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<b>Call-in</b>	
<b>Is the decision eligible for Call-in?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues</b>
1.1	To consider the Notice of Motion received for the meeting of the Council on 10th January in relation to Holocaust Memorial Day.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
2.1	The Committee is asked to note that the motion should be referred, in the first instance, to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee, then on to the Shared City Partnership.

3.0	<b>Main Report</b>
	<p data-bbox="272 259 432 293"><b><u>Key Issues</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="164 327 1453 394">3.1 The Committee will be aware Standing Orders 13 (m) to (r) as agreed by the Council at its meeting on 4th October is as follows:</p> <p data-bbox="164 461 1473 1368">3.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="323 461 1473 629">(m) <i>The Standards and Business Committee will have delegated authority to adopt or reject Notices of Motion. The Lord Mayor will indicate at the Council meeting those Notices of Motion that have been considered by the Standards and Business Committee and whether such Notices of Motion were rejected or adopted. In either case, the proposer only may speak on the issue at Council.</i></li> <li data-bbox="323 663 1473 831">(n) <i>The Standards and Business Committee will refer all Notices of Motion directly to a standing committee when the matter to which the Notice of Motion refers falls within the remit of that committee. At Council, the Lord Mayor will indicate that the Notice of Motion was received and referred. There will be no speakers on such Notices of Motion at Council.</i></li> <li data-bbox="347 864 1473 965">(o) <i>The Standards and Business Committee will refer Notices of Motion for consideration by full Council when the Notice of Motion relates to a strategic or constitutional matter.</i></li> <li data-bbox="347 999 1473 1077">(p) <i>The Standards and Business Committee will not have the power to amend the wording of any Notice of Motion that is being referred to the full Council for debate.</i></li> <li data-bbox="347 1111 1473 1211">(q) <i>Any amendments to Notice of Motions to be proposed at the Council are to be furnished at least one day in advance of going to the full Council and will be circulated to Party Group Leaders in advance of the Council meeting.</i></li> <li data-bbox="347 1245 1473 1368">(r) <i>In referring any matter to the full Council, the Standards and Business Committee may determine to restrict contributions to the debate in relation to any Notice of Motion to one per political party. At the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor will clearly indicate if the restriction applies.</i></li> </ul> <p data-bbox="164 1424 802 1458">3.3 The following motion has been received:</p> <p data-bbox="272 1491 619 1525"><b><u>Holocaust Memorial Day</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="272 1559 1461 1738">“This Council agrees to formally mark Holocaust Memorial Day on an annual basis by lighting a flame on the front lawn of Belfast City Hall from 2022 onwards. The Council agrees to light the flame for a full day from dawn until midnight on Holocaust Memorial Day and also agrees to invite members of the Jewish Community and other relevant groups to take part in a short Memorial Service while the flame is lit.</p> <p data-bbox="272 1783 1461 1962">Furthermore, this Council recommits to vehemently oppose contemporary anti-Semitism, racism, and hatred in all its forms against Jews. To that end, we request that Council make this a public declaration and that a letter is sent to representatives of our Jewish brothers and sisters from the Lord Mayor reaffirming this City’s solidarity and commitment to stand with the Jewish people, both here in Belfast, and worldwide.”</p>

<p>3.4</p>	<p>Proposer: Councillor Pankhurst</p> <p>Seconder: Councillor McCullough</p> <p>The Committee should note that, amongst other things, the remit of the Shared City Partnership, through the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee, includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To promote good relations between people of different religious and political beliefs and different racial groups in every aspect of Council activities</li> <li>• To use the Council's influence as a democratically elected body, providing civic leadership to the City, to promote good relations throughout society</li> </ul> <p>3.5 Therefore, the motion should, in the first instance, be referred to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee.</p> <p><b><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></b></p> <p>3.6 None associated with this report.</p> <p><b><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></b></p> <p>3.7 None.</p>
<p><b>4.0</b></p>	<p><b>Documents Attached</b></p>
	<p>None.</p>