## PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE



Subje	ct:	Proposal for dual language street signs					
Date:		8 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022					
Reporting Officer:		Ian Harper, Building Control Manager					
Conta	ct Officer:	Roisin Adams, Business Coordinator					
Restri	cted Reports						
Is this	report restricted?		Yes No X				
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?							
After Committee Decision							
After Council Decision							
Some time in the future							
Never							
Call-in							
Is the	decision eligible for	Call-in?	Yes X No				
1.0	Purpose of Repor	t 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	Recommendation	Recommendations					
2.1	As at least two thirds of the total numbers of persons surveyed in the street are in favor						
	the proposal to erect a second street nameplate in Irish at Koram Ring, the Committee						
	recommended to approve the application.						
3.0	Main report	Main report					
	Key Issues						
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 Pro	ovisions) (NI) Order 1995.					

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.

3.3

English Name	Non- English	Location	Applicant	Persons
	Name			surveyed
Koram Ring	Fáinne	Off Bearnagh	Councillor	28
	Mhullach	Drive, Bingnian	Séanna Walsh	
		Drive and Dart		
	Cothrom	Hill, BT11		

- 3.4 The translation was authenticated by Queens University, the approved translator for Belfast City Council.
- In accordance with the Council's policy for the erection of dual language street signs surveys of all persons appearing on the Electoral Register plus owners or tenants in actual possession of commercial premises, for the above street were carried out and the following responses were received.

# 3.6 Koram Ring, BT11

- 22 occupiers (79%) were in favour of the erection of a second street nameplate
- 6 occupiers (21%) did not respond to the survey
- The Council's policy on the erection of a second street nameplate requires that at least two thirds (66.6%) of the occupiers surveyed must be in favour of the proposal to erect a second street sign in a language other than English.

#### Financial & Resource Implications

There is a cost of approximately £200 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.

### Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment

3.9 There are no direct equality/rural needs implications.

## 4.0 Appendices – Documents Attached

None