



<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Notice of Motion – Graffiti Removal</b>
<b>Date:</b>	30th March, 2022
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
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<b>After Committee Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>Never</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<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 4th April in relation to Graffiti Removal.
<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 People and Communities Committee.

3.0	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	<p data-bbox="272 259 432 293"><b><u>Key Issues</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="272 327 1449 394">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="165 461 1481 1368">3.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="325 461 1481 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="325 663 1481 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="349 864 1481 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="349 999 1481 1066">(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="349 1099 1481 1200">(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="349 1234 1481 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="165 1424 804 1458">3.3 The following motion has been received:</p> <p data-bbox="272 1491 504 1525"><b><u>Graffiti Removal</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="272 1559 1481 1626">“With the growth of graffiti vandalism across the city, this council will consider investing in and expanding the in-house unit charged with tackling this problem.</p> <p data-bbox="272 1671 1481 1816">At present there is a team which deals primarily with sectarian, racist and homophobic graffiti. However there has been a noticeable growth in more general graffiti, which undermines efforts to keep our city clean. This is not a problem unique to Belfast but is one for which we should consider innovative solutions alongside traditional cleaning methods</p> <p data-bbox="272 1850 1481 1962">Council will also work in an inter-agency capacity to address issues around unwanted graffiti across the city. In doing so, Council should consider how its team can be made available to other agencies on a commercial basis.”</p> <p data-bbox="272 1995 651 2029">Proposer: Alderman Dorrian</p>

<p>3.4</p> <p>3.5</p> <p>3.6</p>	<p>Seconder: Councillor Newton</p> <p>This issue has been considered by the People and Communities Committee and the motion should be referred, in the first instance, to that Committee for consideration.</p> <p><b><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></b></p> <p>None associated with this report.</p> <p><b><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></b></p> <p>None.</p>
<p><b>4.0</b></p>	<p><b>Documents Attached</b></p>
	<p>None.</p>