

Devolution of Local Transport Powers

“This Council notes our ambitions as laid out in the Belfast Agenda, Bolder Vision and Resilience Strategy for a sustainable, well connected, vibrant and carbon neutral Belfast. We acknowledge that our ability to achieve these ambitions has been severely hampered by our reliance on Government Departments and Statutory Agencies who do not always share our vision or who lack the agility to deliver at the speed required.

This Council has already called for the devolution of regeneration powers to help meet the ambitions of this Council. We believe that the further devolution of local transport and infrastructure powers are also necessary if we are to bring the Belfast Agenda to fruition.

As such, we will initiate dialogue with the Department for Infrastructure, Department for Communities and the Northern Ireland Local Government Association to commence the process of devolving these key powers.”

Proposer: Councillor O'Hara

Seconder: Councillor Groogan