

Derry City and Strabane District Council

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Derry City and Strabane District Council held in the Council Chamber, Guildhall on Thursday 29 September 2016 at 4.00 pm.

Present:- Alderman McClintock (Mayor) (in the Chair), Aldermen Devenney, M Hamilton, R Hamilton, Hussey, Kerrigan, Ramsey, Thompson and Warke, Councillors Boyle, Campbell, Carlin, Carr, Cusack, Dobbins, Donnelly, Duffy, Fleming, Gardiner, Hassan, Hastings, Jackson, D Kelly, P Kelly, Logue, McCallion, McGinley, M McHugh, R McHugh, McKeever, McMahan, O'Reilly, Reilly, and Robinson.

In Attendance:- Chief Executive (Mr J Kelpie), Director of Business and Culture (Mr S Gillespie), Director of Environment and Regeneration (Mrs K Phillips), Director of Health and Community (Mrs K McFarland), Lead Democratic Services and Improvement Officer (Ms Ellen Cavanagh), Lead Legal Services Officer (Mr P Kingston), Democratic and Customer Services Officer (Mrs S Maxwell) and Committee Clerk (Ms N Meehan).

C257/16 Notice and Summons for Meeting.

The Chief Executive read the Notice and Summons for the Meeting.

C258/16 Webcast Announcement by the Mayor.

The Mayor read the Webcast Announcement for the Meeting.

C259/16 Apologies.

Apologies were received from Alderman Bresland, Councillors McGuire and Tierney.

C260/16 Declaration of Members' Interests.

There were no declarations of Members' interests.

Chairperson's Business.

C261/16 Welcome.

The Mayor welcomed Members back to Council following the Summer recess.

C281/16 Notice of Motion – Palestine Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Campaign.

The Mayor referred to the considerable number of Motions on the agenda for consideration at today's meeting some of which were more serious than others. She referred to Standing Order 19.11 which resolved that "A Member who speaks shall direct his/her speech strictly to the Motion under discussion, or an amendment thereof" and 19.12 which resolved that "A Member who has spoken on any Motion shall not speak again whilst it is the subject of debate" and advised that she would be strictly adhering to these points and to time constraints permitted. She further pointed out that where she felt a Motion was specific to a Committee she would be directing accordingly.

Councillor Jackson Moved, Councillor McCallion Seconded

That this Council affirms its support for the Palestinian people,

That this Council affirms its support for the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Campaign,

And that this Council investigates the most practical means of implementing this BDS Campaign.

The Motion on being put to the vote was declared carried their voting For – 27; Against - 9; Abstentions – 0.