

## LISBURN & CASTLEREAGH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Special Meeting of Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council, held in the Island Civic Centre, Lisburn, BT27 4RL on Monday 12 June 2017 at 11.00 am.

### PRESENT

The Right Worshipful the Mayor  
Councillor B Bloomfield MBE

Deputy Mayor, Alderman Stephen Martin

Aldermen W J Dillon MBE, D Drysdale, A G Ewart, M Henderson MBE, T Jeffers, G Rice MBE and J Tinsley

Councillors N Anderson, J Baird, R T Beckett, J Craig, A P Ewing, O Gawith, A Givan, J Gray MBE, A Grehan, V Kamble, U Mackin, B Mallon, T Mitchell, T Morrow, J Palmer, N Trimble

### IN ATTENDANCE

Lord Lieutenant  
MP for Lagan Valley  
MLAs for Lagan Valley  
Lieutenant Colonel K L Frankland  
Colonel J W Rollins  
Mr R Corbett  
Mayoress

Chief Executive  
Director of Support Services  
Director of Leisure & Community Services  
Director of Environmental Services  
Director of Transformation Services  
Head of Service of Leisure and Community Services  
Head of Central Support Services  
Mayor's Secretary  
Attendance Clerk

### Commencement of Meeting

At the commencement of the meeting, The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor B Bloomfield MBE, welcomed Aldermen, Councillors and distinguished guests to the Special Meeting of the Council. He then invited Councillor T Mitchell to say the opening prayer prior to the beginning of business.

#### 1. Apologies

It was agreed to accept apologies from Aldermen P Porter and W Leathem, Councillors S Carson, J Gallen, A Girvin, B Hanvey, H Legge, J McCarthy, A McIntyre, L Poots, C Quinn, S Skillen, M Tolerton and R Walker.

## 2. Declarations of Interest

The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor B Bloomfield MBE, invited Members to declare any Conflicts of Interest they might have in relation to the business of the meeting and reminded them of the requirement to complete Declaration of Interest forms in this regard, which had been provided at the meeting. There were no Declarations of Interest.

## 3. Resolution

The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor B Bloomfield MBE invited the Chief Executive to read the resolution before the Council that Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council sign the Armed Forces Covenant. Following the Chief Executive's declaration The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor B Bloomfield MBE sought a proposer for the resolution.

It was agreed on the proposal of Alderman J Tinsley, seconded by Councillor T Morrow that Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council sign the Armed Forces Covenant.

The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor B Bloomfield MBE invited Lieutenant Colonel K L Frankland, Colonel J W Rollins and Mr R Corbett to come forward to sign the Armed forces Covenant. Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for County Antrim, The Rt Hon Sir Jeffrey Donaldson MP, Alderman J Tinsley, Councillor T Morrow, the Deputy Mayor and the Chief Executive were also invited to witness the signing of the Armed Forces Covenant.

Following the signing of the Armed Forces Covenant The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor B Bloomfield MBE reaffirmed the Council's cross party support for the local Armed Forces community. He stated it was an honour to sign the covenant on behalf of the Lisburn & Castlereagh community and was proud the Council was the first City Council in Northern Ireland to make this very formal commitment to our Armed Forces. The Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor B Bloomfield MBE went on to praise the Armed Forces for their selfless dedication to protecting us, our rights and civil freedom. He concluded by saying the Council looks forward to increased engagement with the Armed Forces community at local events, sports activities and at our Council events to specifically raise awareness of our armed forces.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 11.13 am.

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Mayor