Commencement of Meeting

The Chairman, Councillor S Carson, extended a welcome to all present. The Chairman proceeded to outline the evacuation procedures in the case of an emergency.

The Chairman asked that any Member entering or leaving the meeting alert him accordingly so that the Member Services’ Officer might accurately reflect arrival and departure times in the minutes.

1. Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance at the meeting were accepted and recorded on behalf of the Right Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor T Morrow; the Deputy Mayor, Councillor H Legge; and Councillor M Tolerton.
2. **Declarations of Interest**

The Chairman invited Members to declare any Interests they might have in relation to the business of the meeting and reminded them of the requirement that they complete Declaration of Interest forms in this regard which had been provided at the meeting.

The following declarations were made:

- Councillor A McIntyre declared an interest in Item 5.2.2, Anti-Slavery Day, on the basis that he was employed by Clifton House who were hosting the event
- Councillor A P Ewing declared an interest in items 5.2.6 and 5.2.9 on the basis that he was a member of the South Eastern Local Commissioning Group

The following declaration was made during the course of the meeting:

- Councillor D J Craig declared an interest in Item 5.2.1, Barnardos Speech & Language Initiative – Request for Nominations and Financial Assistance on the basis that he was a member of the Education Authority.

3. **Minutes of Meeting**

It was proposed by Councillor O Gawith, seconded by Councillor C Quinn, and agreed that the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 12th September 2017, as adopted by the Council at its meeting held on the 26th September 2017, be confirmed and signed.

4. **Confidential Report of Director of Service Support**

The Chairman advised that the reasons for confidentiality were as set out in the agenda.

It was proposed by Councillor C Quinn, seconded by Councillor B Mallon, and agreed that the confidential report of the Director of Service Support be considered “in Committee”, in the absence of members of the press and public being present.

It was proposed by Councillor A P Ewing, seconded by Councillor B Mallon, and agreed that the confidential report and recommendations of the Director of Service Support be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below and other items noted.
4.1 Land at Ballybeen Square

(Confidential for reason of information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information)

It was agreed to recommend that the decisions of the Leisure & Community Development Committee in relation to lands at Ballybeen Square be endorsed and that their (i) disposal and (ii) surrender of lease back to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive be progressed by Central Support Services Unit.

4.2 Mobile Phone Contract

(Confidential for reason of information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information)

It was agreed to recommend that the Council extend the current contract with Vodafone for a further 24 months in line with the tariffs outlined in the officer’s report.

4.3 Managed Print

(Confidential for reason of information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information)

It was proposed by Alderman S Martin, seconded by Councillor C Quinn, and agreed to recommend that the Preliminary Expenditure Application and Financial Appraisal Report for Managed Print Renewal be accepted.

4.4 La Mon Hotel Attack – 17th February 1978 – 40th Anniversary Commemorations

(Confidential for reason of information which was likely to reveal the identity of individuals)

It was agreed to recommend that the update and actions in relation to the 40th anniversary commemorations for the La Mon Hotel Attack be noted.

4.5 Cleaning and Procurement Contract – Report on Procurement

(Confidential for reason of information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information)

It was noted that, at the Committee meeting on 13 June 2017 ratified by Council on 27 June 2017, it had been agreed that the Corporate Services Committee be given delegated authority to award this Council wide tender.

It was proposed by Councillor C Quinn, seconded by Councillor O Gawith, and agreed that the report on the procurement for the provision of the 4 lots in respect of cleaning & security services be noted and that the recommendation
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therein be accepted, i.e. that the award of the contract to the most economically advantageous tenders be noted for each lot for a period of one year with the option for the Council to extend the contract for a further three periods of 12 months.

(Councillor N Anderson arrived at 7.09 pm)

4.6 Efficiency Review - Directorates

(Confidential due to information which is likely to reveal the identity of individuals)

It was agreed to recommend that the Council approve the amendments to the names of the Council directorates and to the job titles of the Directors within these directorates with effect from 1 November 2017 as follows:

- Service Delivery (Regulated Services) to be amended to Environmental Services
- Service Delivery (Non-regulated Services) to be amended to Leisure and Community Wellbeing.

4.7 Armed Forces Day 2018 (Regional Event)

(Confidential for reason of information relating to an individual.)

It was agreed to recommend that that the information on Armed Forces Day 2018 (Regional Event) be noted.

4.8 Efficiency Review – Voluntary Severance

(Confidential for reason of information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the Council or a Government Department and employees of, or office holders under, the Council)

It was agreed to recommend that the information in respect of the timeline for the consideration of formal applications for voluntary severance be noted.

4.9 Procurement of Agency Workers

(Confidential for reason of information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information)

It was agreed to recommend that the information in relation to the use of Matrix for the supply of agency workers from December 2017 be noted.
4.10 HR & OD Workforce Data

(Confidential for reason of information which was likely to reveal the identity of individuals.)

It was agreed to recommend that reports in respect of the following be noted, such reports being in accordance with the Council’s Strategic Workforce Plan 2015-2017:

- Workforce Profile – Headcount, Contract (permanent/fixed term/full-time/part-time) – Members noted that this report did not take account of the new structures and the transition of employees to these departments.
- Absence – Days lost per employee and percentage across the Council (includes “Total absence days per month”)
- Long Term Absence for employees absent due to long term sickness (over 12 weeks)
- Recruitment – Internal trawls and open competition

4.11 Single Status Update: Appeals

(Confidential for reason of information which was likely to reveal the identity of individuals.)

It was agreed to recommend that the progress report in respect of the number of job evaluation appeals outstanding from the former Councils' single status process and the percentages of appeals both successful and unsuccessful be noted.

4.12 Insurance Report

(Confidential for reason of information which was likely to reveal the identity of individuals.)

It was agreed to recommend that the report on insurance claims up to the 30th September 2017 be noted.

4.13 Freedom of Information Requests

(Confidential for reason of information relating to individuals)

It was agreed to recommend that the summary of Freedom of Information requests received in September 2017 be noted.

In response to a comment by Alderman S Martin regarding FoI requests from journalism students, officers were asked to contact Belfast Met to investigate other options for the provision of information.

It was proposed, seconded by Councillor C Quinn, seconded by Councillor D J Craig, and agreed to come “out of Committee” and normal business was resumed.
5. **Report of Director of Service Support**

It was proposed by Councillor C Quinn, seconded by Alderman A G Ewart, and agreed that the report and recommendations of the Director of Service Support be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below and other items noted.

It was agreed to consider the report of the Interim Head of Finance & IT at this stage in the meeting.

5.1 **Report of the Interim Head of Finance & IT**

The report was presented by the Interim Head of Finance & IT.

It was proposed by Alderman A G Ewart, seconded by Councillor A P Ewing, and agreed that the report and recommendations of the Interim Head of Finance & IT be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below and other items noted:

5.1.1 **Financial Statement**

It was agreed to recommend that the financial statement for the period ended the 31st August 2017 be noted.

(The Chief Executive left the meeting at 7.27 pm)

5.2 **Report of Head of Central Support Services**

The report was presented by Head of Central Support Services.

It was proposed by Councillor D J Craig, seconded by Alderman T Jeffers, and agreed that the report and recommendations of the Head of Central Support Services be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below and other items noted.

5.2.1 **Barnardos – Speech & Language Initiative**

**Request for Nominations and Financial Assistance**

Members had been provided with copy of an e-mail dated the 8th September 2017 from Barnardos regarding their Early Intervention Lisburn (EIL) new speech and language initiative.

It was proposed by Councillor B Bloomfield, seconded by Councillor O Gawith and agreed to recommend that Council fund an amount of £1,000 to deliver a conference to engage relevant stakeholders particularly at a high level across the voluntary and statutory agencies and also to cover meeting costs.

It was further proposed by Alderman A G Ewart, seconded by Councillor A P Ewing and agreed to recommend that the Party Group Leaders Forum be asked to consider the nomination of representatives to join the initiative’s
5.2.1 Barnardos – Speech & Language Initiative
Request for Nominations and Financial Assistance (Contd)

strategy group and that this issue be brought back to the next Committee
meeting for decision.

(Councillor A Grehan left at 7.37pm and Councillor B Mallon left at 7.38 pm)

5.2.2 Anti-Slavery Day 2017 – Thursday 19th October 2017
Event at Clifton House, 2 North Queen Street, Belfast

Members had been provided with details of an event being held on Anti-Slavery
Day, the 19th October 2017, at Clifton House, Belfast from 9.30 am – 12 noon.
The event was being organised by the Department of Justice (NI) and the UK’s
Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner and there was no fee.

It was agreed to recommend that the attendance of any Member at the Anti-
Slavery Day event being held on the 19th October 2017 in Clifton House,
Belfast, be approved.

5.2.3 Pancreatic Cancer UK
Pancreatic Awareness Day – 16th November 2017
Lighting Up Of Council Buildings in Purple

Members had been provided with copy of an e-mail dated the 29th September
2017 from Pancreatic Cancer UK asking the Council to light its offices in purple
on Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Day, the 16th November 2017, or on any day
in November which was Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month. The same
request had been acceded to in 2016.

It was agreed to recommend that the above request be acceded to.

5.2.4 Royal Ulster Rifles Association – Dinner at Lagan Valley Island

Members had been provided with copy of a letter received on the 28th September
2017 from the Secretary of the Royal Ulster Rifles Association (Lisburn Branch)
seeking Council support for a dinner to be held in Lagan Valley Island.

Members noted that a previous request for the Council to host a dinner at LVI in
October 2016 had been acceded to, with estimated costs for the event being
£850.00. Lisburn City Council had also supported the annual event on a number
of occasions.

It was agreed to recommend that the request from the Lisburn Branch of the
Royal Ulster Rifles Association be approved.

Items for Noting
5.2.5 Council Chamber

Members were advised that the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee, together with the Director of Service Support, the Head of Central Support Services and the PCSP Manager, had visited the Council Chambers of Newry, Mourne & Down District Council and Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council on the 27th September 2017 to view the services provided in their Council Chambers.

Members were advised that a report on this visit and options arising would be presented to a future meeting of Committee.

It was agreed to recommend that the update in relation to the Council Chamber be noted.

(Councillor A Grehan and Councillor B Mallon returned at 7.40 pm)

5.2.6 Health & Social Care Trust - Efficiencies

5.2.6.1 South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust

(Closing date: 5th October 2017)

In furtherance of previous decisions and further to the meeting of the Health Working Group on the 2nd October 2017, Members were provided with copy of the response to the above document as finalised by the Head of Central Support Services in consultation with the Chairman of the Health Working Group/Committee. The response had been submitted to the SE Trust by the stipulated closing date of the 5th October 2017.

It is agreed to recommend that the Council’s response to the SE Trust consultation entitled “2017/2018 Financial Planning Savings Plan” be noted.

5.2.6.2 Belfast Health & Social Care Trust

(Closing Date: 5th October 2017)

While the Health Working Group at its meeting on the 2nd October 2017 had made no specific response to the above document, comments made concerning budgets held by the Belfast Trust in relation to high cost drugs such as those used in the treatment of Multiple Sclerosis and also for regional facilities such as the Regional Fertility Centre, had been included in the response to the SE Trust document.

It was agreed to recommend that comments made by the Health Working Group in relation to regional budgets held by the Belfast Health & Social Care Trust be noted and to also note that they were included in the response to the SE Trust document.
5.2.7 Health Working Group

5.2.7.1 Minutes of Meetings

It is agreed to recommend that the minutes/report of the meetings of the Health Working Group held on the 24th March 2017 and 16th May 2017 be noted.

5.2.7.2 Meeting held on 2nd October 2017 - Decisions

Members were advised that a meeting of the Health Working Group had taken place on the 2nd October 2017 with the undernoted decisions having been taken. In order for action on these decisions to proceed, it was agreed to recommend that they be endorsed:

(a) South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust
Consultation document – “2017/2018 Financial Planning Savings Plan” and other health-related items

To endorse the decision to note the presentation by the SE Trust/

(b) South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust
Consultation Document on Efficiencies
Closing Date: 5th October 2017

To endorse the decision to report the agreed response to the Corporate Services Committee for information.

(c) Belfast Health & Social Care Trust
Consultation Document on Efficiencies
(Closing Date: 5th October 2017)

To endorse the decision that the any agreed response be reported to the Corporate Services Committee for retrospective approval.

d) Future of Health Working Group/Consideration of Health-Related Matters

To endorse the decisions that:-

- a report on health-related matters be submitted to the Corporate Services Committee on a regular basis but avoiding those months when the agenda for the Committee was traditionally heavy (ie January, June, September and December);

- the members of the Health Working Group be informed as to when the health report was on the agenda for the meeting of Corporate Services Committee;
(d) Future of Health Working Group/Consideration of Health-Related Matters (Contd.)

- the party group leaders be informed as to when the health report was on the agenda for the meeting of Corporate Services Committee.

(e) Regulation & Quality Improvement Authority

To endorse the decision to defer a presentation from the Regulation & Quality Improvement Authority pending receipt of the report by the Commissioner for Older People for Northern Ireland into Dunmurry Manor Care Home.

(f) UNISON - Health Care Service at Lagan Valley Hospital

To endorse the decision that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Health Working Group meet with Ms Fiona Jess, the UNISON Joint Branch Secretary (Lisburn) to discuss any issues she might wish to raise. Arising from that discussion, the Chairman would advise the Head of Service if a presentation was still being requested.

(g) “Contact NI: Campaign Call for a Suicide Prevention Bill for NI”

Request to make Presentation

To endorse the decision that, given that their subject content was of interest to all Members of Council, arrangements be made for Contact NI to be received by a Special Meeting of the Council.

(h) Autism Initiatives NI - Presentation

To endorse the decision that, given that their subject content was of interest to all members of Council, arrangements be made for Autism Initiatives NI to be received by a Special Meeting of the Council, if possible the same meeting as that receiving Contact NI.

(i) Mental Health First Aid Training

To endorse the decision to accept that the above matter would be dealt with as part of the Community Plan Action Plan discussions.

(j) Mental Health Charter/Advocate

To endorse the decision to note the report in respect of the above.
To endorse the decision to note the undernoted correspondence:-

- letter dated the 4th May 2017 from the Chief Executive of the Commissioner for Older People for NI advising that, as the investigation was required to be undertaken in private, it would not therefore be appropriate for the Commissioner to meet with the Health Working Group;

- the Terms of Reference of the investigation;

- the Summer 2017 update of the Commissioner for Older People for NI in which reference was made to the Commissioner's investigation into Dunmurry Manor Care Home.

To endorse the decision to note the receipt of the above report and that it was available for perusal from the office of Head of Central Support Services.

To endorse the decision to note the receipt of the above report and that it was available for perusal from the office of Head of Central Support Services.

5.2.8 Lisburn & Castlereagh Policing & Community Safety Partnership

5.2.8.1 Minutes of Meetings

It was agreed to recommend that the minutes of the following meetings of the Lisburn & Castlereagh PCSP be noted:

- Meeting in Private held on the 20th June 2016
- Special Meeting of the Independent Membership held on the 15th August 2017
- Meeting of Policing Committee held on the 15th August 2017
5.2.8.2 Schedule of Meetings

It was agreed to recommend that the schedule of forthcoming meetings of the Lisburn & Castlereagh PCSP be noted.

Additional Report by Head of Central Support Services

Presented by the Head of Central Support Services.

It was proposed by Alderman A G Ewart, seconded by Councillor B Bloomfield, and agreed that the additional report and recommendations of the Head of Central Support Services be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below and other items noted.

5.2.9 Health and Social Care Trusts – Efficiencies

5.2.9.1 Belfast Health & Social Care Trust consultation Document – “2017/2018 Financial Planning Savings Plan”
(Closing date: 5th October 2017)

Members were provided with copy of a response to the above document as finalised by the Head of Central Support Services in consultation with the Chairman of the Health Working Group/Committee, which had been submitted to the Belfast Health & Social Care Trust by the stipulated closing date of the 5th October 2017.

It was agreed to recommend that the Council’s response to the Belfast Health & Social Care Trust consultation entitled “2017/2018 Financial Planning Savings Plan” be endorsed.

5.2.10 Diabetes UK

World Diabetes Day – 14th November 2017
Lighting Up of Council Buildings in Blue

Members were provided with copy of an e-mail dated the 6th October 2017 from Diabetes UK requesting the Council to light its offices in blue on World Diabetes Day, the 14th November 2017, and to engage with Diabetes UK on other appropriate awareness raising initiatives. The same request had been acceded to in 2016.

It was agreed to recommend that the request from Diabetes UK for the Council to light its offices in blue on World Diabetes Day, the 14th November 2017, be acceded to.

(The Head of Central Support Services left the meeting at 7.42 pm)
5.3  Report of Acting Head of Human Resources and Organisation Development

Presented by the Acting Head of Human Resources & Organisation Development.

It was proposed by Councillor A McIntyre, seconded by Councillor C Quinn, and agreed that the report and recommendations of the Acting Head of Human Resources and Organisation be adopted, subject to any decisions recorded below and other items noted.

Items for Decision

5.3.1  Elected Member Development Steering Group: Charter

Members were provided with copy of the minutes of the Elected Member Development Steering Group meeting held on the 19th September 2017 together with copy of detail of the requirements for assessment against the Charter and copy of the proposed timeline for assessment for the awarding of Charter.

It was proposed by Alderman A G Ewart, seconded by Councillor A McIntyre, and agreed to recommend that the report and action notes from the Elected Member Development Steering Group meeting held on the 19th September 2017 be noted. It was further agreed to recommend that Council approve the proposal to proceed with the assessment of the Elected Member Development Charter on 11 January 2018.

(The Audit and Risk Manager left at 7.43 pm)

5.3.2  Volunteering Policy

Members were provided with copy of a Volunteering Policy, the purpose of which was to provide guidance for individuals and groups wishing to volunteer in a variety of areas within Council’s normal day to day work and at specific events.

It was proposed by Alderman S Martin, seconded by Councillor A Grehan, and agreed to recommend that the Volunteering Policy be progressed for consultation with Trade Unions prior to being implemented, at the next LCCC Joint Consultation and Negotiating Committee (JCNF).

Item for Noting
5.3.3 Investors in People – Silver Accreditation Celebration Event - 20th September 2017 - Belfast Castle

It was agreed to recommend that the update information regarding the Council’s Investors in People Silver Accreditation be noted.

(The Interim Head of Finance and IT and the Acting Head of Human Resources and Organisation Development left at 7.46 pm)

5.4 Christ Church Lisburn – 175th Anniversary Celebrations

Members were provided with copy of a letter dated the 6th September 2017 from Christ Church Lisburn regarding a weekend of celebrations to mark the Church’s 175th anniversary, which would include a celebration meal in the Parish Hall on Friday 17th November 2017 and a Service of Thanksgiving in the Parish Church on Sunday 19th November 2017.

It is agreed to recommend that the correspondence from Christ Church Lisburn in relation to their weekend of celebrations (17th – 19th November 2017) to mark their 175th anniversary be noted.

5.5 Royal Ulster Rifles Association (Lisburn) - 2018 Liberation Day Celebration – 9th May 2018 – Jersey - Request for Financial Assistance

Members were provided with copy of a letter received on the 21st September 2017 from the Secretary to the Lisburn Branch of the Royal Ulster Rifles Association seeking financial assistance towards their visit to Jersey for the 2018 Liberation Day Celebration on the 9th May 2018. Approximately 20 members hoped to participate.

Members were reminded that the Council had previously provided financial assistance in the sum of £1,000 for a similar visit to Jersey in 2016.

It was proposed by Alderman A G Ewart, seconded by Councillor R Walker and agreed to recommend that the request from the Lisburn Branch of the Royal Ulster Rifles Association for financial assistance towards their visit to the 2018 Liberation Day Celebration in Jersey on the 9th May 2018 be acceded to and that financial assistance in the sum of £1,000 be provided.

5.6 Elected Representative Event

Members were advised that the Chairman of Capital Projects Committee, Alderman D Drysdale, had proposed that the Council hold an event promoting its ambitious Investment programme which included the following:

- Investment Programme
- Community Plan
- The Local Development Plan
5.6 Elected Representative Event (Contd)

It was proposed to hold the event pre-Christmas and to invite MEPs, MPs, MLAs and all Councillors representing the LCCC area. Members were provided with a draft agenda and were asked to consider whether one event should be organised or two separate events, one in Lisburn Civic Centre and the other in Bradford Court.

It was proposed by Alderman A G Ewart, seconded by Councillor A Grehan and agreed to recommend that one event to promote the Council’s investment programme be organised and that it be held at Lagan Valley Island.

5.7 Estimates 2018/2019 – Programme of Meetings

Members were reminded of the Programme of Meetings for the Estimates process 2018/2019 which had been approved by Committee at its last meeting and, in particular, the schedule for Tuesday 9th January 2018 as follows:

5.00 pm Governance & Audit Committee
5.30 pm Capital Projects Committee
7.00 pm Corporate Services Committee

It was proposed that the Capital Projects Committee retain its date of Tuesday 9th January 2018 and that the Governance & Audit Committee meet on Tuesday 2nd January 2018 after the Leisure & Community Development Committee. This arrangement would allow time for each committee to consider their Estimates and was in line with the arrangement for when these two committees fell in the one month.

It was agreed to recommend that the revision to the programme of meetings for the Estimates process 2018/2019 be accepted.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 500th Anniversary of the Reformation – 31 October 2017

Lighting Up of Council Buildings in Red
Councillor N Anderson

It was agreed to recommend that the Council agree to the request by Councillor N Anderson that the Council buildings be lit up in red on 31 October 2017 to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.
6.2 **Lisburn Inter-Church Sunday School**  
Alderman S Martin

Alderman S Martin advised that 2017 would be the 25th anniversary of Lisburn Inter-Church Sunday School, which was held in Harmony Hill Presbyterian Church, and that it would also mark the end of service of the Sunday School.

It was proposed by Councillor D J Craig, seconded by Alderman A G Ewart and agreed to recommend that, in conjunction with the Mayor, a reception be organised to mark the end of service of the Lisburn Inter-Church Sunday School.

6.3 **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**  
Councillor R Walker

In response to a request by Councillor R Walker that the Council investigate opportunities to raise awareness of domestic violence issues across the Council area, it was agreed to refer this issue to the Director of Service Delivery (Regulated) and the Policing and Community Safety Partnership.

6.4 **Human Trafficking**  
Councillor N Anderson and Councillor A P Ewing

It was agreed to recommend that the Council investigate opportunities to alert Elected Members to the signs indicating the possibility that human trafficking might be taking place and it was agreed to refer this issue to the Community Safety Partnership.

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 7.59 pm.

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MAYOR/CHAIRMAN