

## NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

## TO BE HELD IN THE RICHARD O'CARROLL ROOM - CITY HALL

## ON THURSDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 8.00 AM

## **AGENDA**

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1	Election of Chair of the Protocol Committee	
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3	Minutes of the meeting held on 28th June 2018 and matters arising:	5 - 6
4	Lord Mayors Receptions and Engagements of the Deputy Lord Mayor	7 - 10
5	Conferences:	
a)	Conferences Attended:  ➤ Councillors Dermot Lacey and Mary Freehill:  MacGill Summer School, "The Future of Ireland in a New Europe: The Challenges Ahead". Glenties, County Donegal. 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2018.	
b)	Conference Reports Received:  Councillors Dermot Lacey and Mary Freehill:  MacGill Summer School, "The Future of Ireland in a New Europe: The Challenges Ahead". 22nd – 27th July 2018.	11 - 14
6	Motion in the Name of Councillor Mannix Flynn referred by the South East Area Committee: (Managers Report Attached)	15 - 16
	"That this area committee calls on Dublin City Council (DCC) management to have City Hall reopened on Sundays. Thousands of tourists and citizens wish to visit this unique building. Sunday is the busiest day for tourists in the city. City Hall was closed during the downturn in the economy and the cutbacks in DCC. City Hall is now back making a profit from its many activities such as civil marriage ceremonies and corporate receptions and promotions.	

There should be just one day set aside, Sunday, for sole public and visitor use without any interference from private bookings or receptions etc. It also gives Councillors an opportunity to use the facility on this potentially quiet day."

7 Motion in the name of Councillor Greg Kelly:

"This committee calls on the Chief Executive to ensure that Dublin City Council through its Councillors keep their respective positions on the boards of outside bodies as they have in the past.

As some Boards are dissolved from outside bodies to form new boards, DCC have been left off the formation. An example of this is the new Children's Hospital Board who will have no DCC member even though DCC Councillors hold board positions on the current boards of Temple Street and Our Lady's Hospital Crumlin. This is further devaluing the role of a local councillor."

8 Motion in the name of Councillors Dermot Lacey and Mary Freehill:

"DCC regrets the decision of government to renege on promoting a directly elected mayor for Dublin. We are conscious of the seriously weak local government system in Ireland which is very much out of kilter with the rest of the EU and runs contrary to the principals of subsidiarity as stated in the Nice Treaty.

This Council is concerned about the many areas where the City Council is prevented from running the city effectively because of the lack of LA powers and we are disproportionately dependent on central government and very often the Courts to adjudicate on issues that should be within the normal power of the Council to resolve. Because the Government of the day is over burdened with their own agenda, despite several requests to amend legislation, nothing happens. Examples of where we are seriously hampered are noise, housing tenancy, traffic. There are many other areas where as a Local Authority, we are prevented from carrying out our normal functions in the interest of the city's wellbeing.

We propose therefore that the DCC CEO prepares a list of areas where minor amendments to legislation would free up the Council and allow it function more effectively. When we have a completed list of possible amendments, we can approach Government and suggest that the Senate be given a lead role in dealing with this piece of work. This approach could go some way to strengthen local government"

9 Proposal to amend Standing Order Number 1:

Monthly Meetings of the Council shall be convened for the first Monday in each Month unless it is otherwise fixed by Resolution of the Council or in exceptional circumstances by an Order of the Lord Mayor. No meeting shall be convened for a day which is a Public Holiday. Where the first Monday of the month is a Public Holiday, the Monthly Meeting of the Council shall be convened for the following Monday. No Meeting of the Council shall be convened during the month of August.

- 10 Kathleen Clarke Portrait Selection Panel
- 11 Web casting in Area offices
- 12 Procedure for the Changing of Street Names

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Approval for Councillor Attendance at the National Tourism Forum, "Let's Talk **27 - 28** Tourism" Conference on 9th November 2018 in County Kerry.

14	Request from the Irish Institute of Legal Executives to use the Council Chamber to hold a seminar in the Autumn of 2018
15	Correspondence from Wexford County Council referred to the Protocol <b>29 - 30</b> Committee by the City Council at its meeting of 3rd September 2018
16	Request from the UN High Commissioner for Refugees for Dublin City to sign a Statement of Solidarity #WithRefugees
	http://www.unhcr.org/withrefugees/cities
17	Managers Report
18	A.O.B.
19	Proposed date of next meeting: 1st November 2018 at 8am in the Richard O'Carroll Room, City Hall

Deirdre Ni Raghallaigh Senior Executive Officer 21st September 2018