

Report on	Request(s) to Illuminate Council Property - May 2022
Date of Meeting	Wednesday 4 th May 2022
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	<p>To consider requests received to illuminate and light up the Council's three designated properties to raise awareness for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parenting Week NI: Parenting Week 2022 (October) • In Solidarity with the People of Ukraine <p>Details on request received are set out below.</p>
2.0	Background
2.1	The Council has a policy and procedural arrangements in place to facilitate the illuminating/lighting-up of its designated properties from requests made by charitable organisations for charitable causes. The designated properties are the Bridewell, the Burnavon and Ranfurly.
2.2	The policy confirms that requests are considered by the Council's Policy and Resources Committee. Should the scheduling of the committee not permit requests being considered within the timeframes for determination, they can be presented to monthly Council.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>The Council has received correspondence from two organisations requesting that consideration be given to lighting up our three designated council properties. Requests for consideration and recommendation by Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monday 17th October 2022 for Parenting Week - Parenting NI 2. In Solidarity with the People of Ukraine - Ards & North Down Borough Council

	Scope of the Council Arrangements
3.2	The policy scope extends to requests made by charitable organisations for the promotion of its charitable cause on a given date or set of dates.
3.3	In reflecting on the requests received it has been determined that the request and correspondence received from Ards & North Down Borough Council calling upon councils to light up its buildings in support of and in solidarity with the people of Ukraine when there are no other scheduled lighting up commitments would fall outside the scope of the policy/procedural arrangements (refer to appendix A) Arrangements extend to requests made by charitable organisations for the promotion of their charitable causes only.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Not applicable
	Human: Not applicable
	Risk Management: Not applicable
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: Council policy and procedural arrangements have been referred to.
	Rural Needs Implications: Not applicable
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	That the Committee considers making recommendation to light up the designated properties on the dates specified to mark: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 17 October 2022 to highlight Parenting Week 2022 - colour purple
5.2	That the Committee notes the correspondence/request received from Ards & North Down Borough Council and determination made at 3.2 and 3.3 within the report, which Members may wish to consider
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix A - Letter from Ards & North Down Borough Council