

Environment, Development and Transport Committee

Report title:	Member Working Group Terms of Reference
Date of meeting:	9 November 2018
Responsible Chief Officer:	Tom McCabe – Executive Director, Community and Environmental Services
Strategic impact Working Groups enable a small group of Members to develop a more in-depth knowledge in a particular subject area and to focus on that subject area in a way that Committees would not have the time to be able to do so. As such, they have a useful purpose in assisting committees in the decision making process.	

Executive summary

At the Full Council meeting held 15 October 2018, Members unanimously carried a motion relating to issues of banning balloons and Chinese lanterns and single use plastic products. They asked this Committee to establish a Task and Finish Group to investigate.

This report sets out a proposal to establish the Task and Finish Group requested by Full Council.

Recommendations:

- 1. To establish a Member Task and Finish working group with Terms of Reference as set out in Section 2 of this report.**

1. Background

- 1.1. At the Full Council meeting held on 15 October 2018, the following motion was unanimously carried:

The Council reaffirms its commitment to the protection of the environment, in particular the marine environment, as we are a county with some 90 miles of coastline and acknowledge that we have a responsibility toward keeping it as pristine as possible.

Therefore, this Council resolves to ask Environment, Development and Transport Committee to establish a Task and Finish Group to investigate the issues of a balloon and Chinese lantern free charter and single use products including, but not limited to, single use plastics in council owner or operated buildings and report back with recommendations by April 2019.

2. Member Working Group

- 2.1. To address the request in the motion, it is proposed that the Committee establish a Task and Finish Member Working Group with the following terms of reference:
- To consider and investigate the issues set out in the motion to Full Council (as set out above);
 - To report back findings and recommendations to EDT Committee at the meeting in March 2019.
- 2.2. It is suggested that the working group should consist of four to six Members with the aspiration that at least three political parties are covered by the membership.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

4. Issues, risks and innovation

- 4.1. There are no other relevant implications to be considered by Members in establishing the Member Working Group.

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