STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

The Business Improvement Districts (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014

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THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS (GENERAL) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2014

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SCHEDULE CONTENT OF BID PROPOSALS, RENEWAL PROPOSALS OR

- 1 ALTERATION PROPOSALS
- 1. (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) and (3), a BID proposal...

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- 2. The matters which shall be included in renewal proposals are—...
- 3. (1) Subject to sub paragraph (2), the matters which shall...

SCHEDULE RULES FOR BID BALLOTS, RENEWAL BALLOTS AND

2 ALTERATION BALLOTS

PROVISIONS AS TO TIME

Timetable

1. The proceedings of the ballot shall be conducted in accordance...

RULES FOR BALLOTS

Day of the ballot

2. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), the ballot holder shall secure...

Ballots – preliminary procedures

3. The ballot holder shall, at least 42 days before the...

Ballots – general

4. (1) Each ballot shall be a postal ballot.

Proxy voting

5. (1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, any person...

Requirement of secrecy

6. (1) Every person attending the proceedings in connection with the...

Notification of requirement of secrecy

7. The ballot holder shall make such arrangements as they think...

The ballot paper

8. (1) Nothing is to be printed on the ballot paper...

Prohibition of disclosure of vote

9. No person who has voted shall, in any legal proceeding...

Procedure on issue of ballot paper

10. (1) One ballot paper shall be issued in respect of...

Spoilt ballot papers

11. (1) If a voter has inadvertently dealt with their ballot...

Lost ballot papers

12. (1) Where a voter has not received their ballot paper...

Receipt of return ballot papers

13. (1) A postal ballot paper shall not be taken to...

The count

14. (1) As soon as practicable after the day of the...

Rejected ballot papers

15. (1) Where a ballot paper is received which bears the...

Decisions on ballot papers

16. The decision of the ballot holder on any question arising...

Declaration of result

17. (1) The ballot holder shall certify— (a) the total number...

Validity

18. (1) No BID ballot, renewal ballot, alteration ballot or re...

Retention of ballot papers

19. The ballot holder shall retain the ballot papers for 6...

SCHEDULE THE KEEPING OF THE BID REVENUE ACCOUNT

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PART 1 — Credits to the Account

1. For each year a district council which is required to...

Item 1: BID revenues

Item 2: Income from BID services and facilities

Item 3: reduced provision for bad or doubtful debts

Item 4: credit balance from previous year

PART 2 — Debits to the Account

2. For each year a district council which is required to...

Item 1: BID cost of collection

Item 2: BID expenditure

Item 3: provision for bad or doubtful debts

Item 4: debit balance from previous year

SCHEDULE [IMPOSITION], ADMINISTRATION, COLLECTION AND

- 4 RECOVERY OF BID LEVY
- 1. Interpretation
- 2. Service of demand notices
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- 4. Invalid notices

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