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**REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SAFETY & GROWTH SCRUTINY  
COMMITTEE****RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE INFRASTRUCTURE SAFETY & GROWTH SCRUTINY  
COMMITTEE - FIREWORKS****EXEMPT INFORMATION**

None

**PURPOSE**

To update Council and to make recommendations to it following consideration of matters by the Scrutiny Committee.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Infrastructure Safety & Growth Scrutiny Committee has made recommendations to full Council following the referral by full Council for discussion by Scrutiny of recommendations 3 and 4 of the Motion to Enjoy Fireworks Safely considered at full Council on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Infrastructure Safety & Growth Scrutiny Committee recommends to full Council that:

1. the Council look at all options with regards to visual aerial displays; and
2. the Leader of the Council write to the Minister with regard to:
  - online sales of fireworks and that this reflects the same legislation as shop sales of fireworks are guided by; and
  - the decibel level of fireworks available for the public's purchase be reviewed.

**OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

The Fireworks working group discussed the matters referred by full Council and set out in Minute 38 of the meeting dated 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

The main outcomes from the working group were:

1. That the emphasis should be on the authority to lead by example and look at what we could do with our own displays.
2. That the Leader of the Council, on behalf of the Council as a whole, should write to the Government Minister responsible for fireworks legislation.
3. To review the legislation applicable to the regulation of the sale of fireworks online, and to look at the impact on animals and how we could help.

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## **APPENDICES**

None