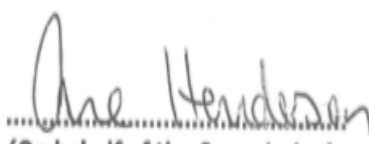

**DECISION MADE IN RELATION TO THE PARADE ORGANISED BY NOEL CLARKE
MEMORIAL FLUTE BAND NOTIFIED TO TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER
2020 IN LISBURN**

1. The following is the decision of the Parades Commission in relation to the Noel Clarke Memorial Flute Band parade notified to take place on Saturday 19th September 2020.
2. Section 8 (1) of the Public Processions (Northern Ireland) Act 1998, provides that:

“The Commission may issue a determination in respect of a proposed public procession imposing on the persons organising or taking part in it such conditions as the Commission considers necessary.”
3. The Commission has noted the details provided on the 11/1 form submitted on 19th August 2020 concerning the Noel Clarke Memorial Flute Band parade notified for Saturday 19th September 2020.
4. The Commission has given careful consideration as to whether to exercise its power under Section 8. It has done so within the relevant legal and statutory framework, constituted in the main by the 1998 Act, the various instruments made thereunder (in particular the “Guidelines” and the Human Rights Act 1998).
5. The proposed parade is notified for 30 participants, with 1 band. The named band is Noel Clarke Memorial Flute Band.
6. The notified route is "*Warren Park Avenue, Manor Park, Longstone street, Chapel Hill, Antrim Street*”
7. The parade is planned for Saturday night, 19th September, for two hours, from 6pm to 8pm. The purpose is stated as '*memorial parade.*'
8. The Commission understands that there is no Church service taking place when the parade is passing Chapel Hill.
9. The Commission has informed the organiser that responsibility for compliance with current Covid Regulations is a matter for the organiser and the relevant health and enforcement authorities.
10. The Commission has considered the potential disruption to community life arising from the parade.

11. The Commission has not received any representation about the proposed parade, and has therefore no evidence nor information regarding support for the parade, nor opposition to it.
12. The Commission has considered the need to issue a determination as outlined at paragraph 2 above against the factors outlined in its statutory guidelines, including the potential disruption to community life.
13. The Commission has decided that the imposition of conditions upon this parade at this time, is not appropriate.
14. As the public health risks of the parade are the responsibility of the organiser, the Commission has advised the organiser to consult with all relevant authorities regarding such public health risks.
15. The proposed parade has been brought to the attention of the Minister of Health, the Chief Constable of the PSNI, the Chief Medical Officer and the Chief Scientific Advisor.
16. This decision by the Commission does not confer approval of the proposed parade.

Signed: 
(On behalf of the Commission)

Date: 9th September 2020