Dear Sir/Madam

Further to your letter of 3 October 2013 I can advise that Ballymena Borough Council, at its Monthly Meeting held on Monday 7th October 2013, adopted the following Resolution -

"That Ballymena Borough Council -

- 1. Recognises that human trafficking and exploitation is a growing problem in Northern Ireland;
- 2. Believes that existing statistics regarding the number of people trafficked in to Northern Ireland do not reflect the scale of the problem and are only the "tip of the iceberg" in regard to the scale of the problem;
- 3. Believes that no human being should be subjected to: sexual exploitation, enforced labour or domestic servitude and condemns those who engage in human trafficking;
- 4. Believes that more action should be undertaken to support those who have escaped from exploitation and to punish those who exploit them; and, accordingly
- 5. Calls upon the Northern Ireland Assembly to endorse the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Further Provision and Support for Victims) Bill."

I hope this is of use to you but should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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Anne Donaghy
Town Clerk & Chief Executive