

Belfast City Council – Decisions taken by the People and Communities Committee on Tuesday, 3 March 2020

Agenda Item No	Topic		
Part A – Items considered in public			
1d	Request to present to People and Communities Committee	The Committee noted the request from No Arc-21 and agreed that the group be invited to present to a future meeting of the People and Communities Committee.	
2a	Partnership Funding	The Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • agreed the funding allocations to Belfast Hill Partnership, Lagan Valley Regional Park, ORNI and KNIB based on the recommended levels provided in the report; and • noted that a detailed report regarding the financial contributions to our partners aligned to the Belfast Agenda outcomes is being commissioned and will brought back to Committee as soon as possible. 	
3a	Motion - DNA Testing of Dog Fouling	The Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • agreed a report on how this would be facilitated, resourced and managed will be brought back; and • that the report include information on the current on current resources are being utilised, the number of dog wardens and the number of enforcements issued. 	
4a	Member Update on Local Air Quality Management Matters	The Committee noted the contents of the report; and agreed that as part of the Air Quality Action Plan review officers contact the WHO Breath Life Campaign to explore what joining it would mean regarding possible targets for the City and its partners new Plan.	
4b	Draft Committee Plan 2020-21	The Committee agreed the draft Committee Plan priorities for 2020-21.	
4c	Minutes of the Meeting of the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Working Group	The Committee approved and adopted the minutes and the recommendations from the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Development Working Group meeting held on 5th February 2020.	
5a	Voluntary Management Community Centres – White City & Carrick Hill	The Committee: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. granted approval for officers to commission a conditions report of the White City 	

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		<p>Community Centre to be undertaken to ascertain the current condition of the building and ascertain cost for immediate and ongoing maintenance requirements;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. granted authority for officers to liaise with the White City Community Centre to consider implications for asset transfer and ongoing community involvement, in consultation with Legal Services and Estates; 3. granted approval for a 'one off' payment of up to £15K to Carrick Hill Residents Association to fully implement the final identified works from the 2017 building conditions report; 4. granted authority for officers to liaise with the Carrick Hill Residents Association to consider how arrangements can be streamlined at Carrick Hill in line with other Council supported independently managed community centres; and 5. agreed that a further report be submitted to the Committee in relation to the outcomes of the above work and recommendations for moving forward and that both facilities be scoped in to the current external review of Independently Managed Community Centres.
5b	IFA Intermediate Football Restructure – Impact on Council Facilities	<p>The Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • noted the contents of the report bearing in mind that all costs are estimated and that no contractor had been appointed to formally survey the identified sites in the context of the changing IFA standard and the indicative costs presented had been informed by officers experienced in the operational management of the sites; and • agreed to await an update from the IFA before considering how it wished to proceed with the alignment of the 12 Belfast City Council pitches with the IFA's proposed new criteria for intermediate football, in light of the estimated costs.
6a	Financial Reporting – Quarter 3 2019/20	The Committee noted the report and the associated financial reporting pack.
7a	Proposed Improvements to Parks and Open Spaces- Opening Hours Pilot	The Committee noted the contents of this report and, subject to consultation, agreed to pilot the 24 hour opening of Ormeau Park, Falls Park and Woodvale Park for a trial period in the summer of 2020.

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7b	High Hedge Complaints - Fees	The Committee agreed to reduce the High Hedge fee of £350 down to £50.
A7	Update on grass cutting at sites not owned by Belfast City Council	<p>The Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • noted the proposals regarding sponsorship, with view to a report being brought to the Committee with final details; • agreed the piloting of a scheme at 2 sites (1 commercial sponsorship site and 1 community site) is trialled in each of the 4 neighbourhood areas in the city to be identified through the Area Working Groups; and • that the report contain details of all potential sites being considered, the financial implications and any associated liabilities.
7c	Update on the Reference Group on Older People	The Committee approved and adopted the minutes and the recommendations from the Reference Group on Older People meeting held on 24th February 2020.
8a	Breath Life WHO Campaign - Councillor O'Hara	See Item 4a.
8b	Potential opening of an entrance into Cherryvale Park from Knockbreda Road - Councillor Long	The Committee agreed to commence a consultation process with immediate neighbours and relevant stakeholders regarding the potential opening of an entrance into Cherryvale Park from Knockbreda Road.
8c	Youth Service - Invitation to address the Committee - Councillor McCusker	The Committee agreed that representatives of the Youth Service, the Northern Ireland Youth Forum and the Network for Youth be invited to a future meeting to address the Committee in relation the new funding streams and to discuss how the Education Authority is supporting young people operationally.
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