



Subject:	Request for the use of Parks for 2024 Events
Date:	Tuesday 4th March 2025
Reporting Officer:	David Sales, Strategic Director of City and Neighbourhood Services.
Contact Officer:	Stephen Leonard, Director of Resources, Fleet and OSS.

Restricted Reports	
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Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	The Committee is asked to note that Council has received a request to hold an event at Victoria Park from the Mae Murray Foundation - Move A Mile for Mae Murray.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	<p>The Committee is asked to grant authority to the applicants for the proposed event on the dates noted; subject to the completion of the appropriate event management plans and satisfactory terms being agreed by the Director of City & Neighbourhood Services and on the condition that the Event Organisers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. resolves all operational issues to the Council's satisfaction; II. meets all statutory requirements including Public Liability Insurance cover, Health and Safety, and licensing responsibilities; and III. shall consult with adjoining public bodies and local communities as necessary. <p>Please note that the above recommendations are taken as a pre-policy position in advance of the Council agreeing a more structured framework and policy for 'Events', which is currently being taken forward in conjunction with the Councils Commercial team.</p>
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>If agreed, the event organiser or promoters will be required in advance of the event to submit an event management plan for approval by the Council and all relevant statutory bodies. This will include an assessment of how the event will impact upon the surrounding area and measures to mitigate these impacts.</p> <p><u>Mae Murray Foundation – Move A Mile For Mae Murray – Victoria Park Pavillion</u></p> <p>3.2 Belfast City Council has received a request from Mae Murray Foundation a charity dedicated to promoting social inclusion for individuals of all abilities. Our mission is to ensure that everyone, regardless of their abilities, has equal opportunities to participate in all aspects of life, from recreational activities to social gatherings.</p> <p>3.3 To celebrate their 10th year anniversary, they would like to host a "Move a Mile for Mae Murray" event at Victoria Park. This event will feature a course with different sensory stations designed to engage participants in a fun, interactive way. The sensory stations will be placed away from the general public's path to ensure smooth movement for all attendees.</p> <p>3.4 The purpose of the event is to fundraise ongoing projects that support social inclusion for people with disabilities. Participants are invited to join the event at no cost, but they are encouraged to raise funds for the Mae Murray Foundation to help continue their important work.</p> <p>3.5 To ensure the event is accessible for all, they will be hiring a changing places toilet, which will provide a dignified toileting facility for individuals with more complex needs. This is a crucial part of making sure that the event is truly inclusive.</p> <p>3.6 The foundation looks forward to celebrating with the community and raising awareness and funds to continue their mission of social inclusion for all abilities. The event is for their</p>

<p>3.7</p> <p>3.8</p> <p>3.9</p>	<p>members who will be attending as families. It is anticipated that there will be up to 200 people in attendance.</p> <p>The key dates for the request are:</p> <p>Set Up – Sunday 25th May 1pm Main Event – Sunday 25th May 2-4pm 2025 De Rig – Sunday 25th May 5pm</p> <p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u> There are no known implications.</p> <p><u>Equality of Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u> There are no known implications.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Appendices</p>
	<p>None</p>