



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Development Committee
Subject:	Request from Belfast Folk Town Initiative
Date:	Tuesday, 6 th November, 2012
Reporting Officer:	Mr. Barry Flynn, Democratic Services Officer (ext. 6312)
Contact Officer:	As above.

Relevant Background Information

Correspondence has been received from the Belfast Folk Town Initiative seeking permission to address the Committee to outline its proposals for the regeneration of an area of Belfast known historically as Folk Town.

Key Issues

The Folk Town Initiative seeks to regenerate Belfast's Folk Town, which consists of the following streets, viz., Castle Street, King Street, Berry Street, Marquis Street, Bank Street and Square and Chapel Lane. The project is managed by a steering committee which is comprised of members from a range of interested parties within the area.

The aim of the initiative is to promote business opportunities thus attracting more shoppers and visitors. Inherent within the plan is the promotion of high quality cultural events, such as markets, festivals and guided tours, to enhance the amenity of the area and to address issues such as anti-social behaviour.

Recommendation

The Committee is requested to consider the request and to take such action thereon which may be determined.

If the Committee agrees to receive the delegation, a ten minute slot could be allocated at the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 20th November.