



Belfast City Council

Report to: Parks and Leisure Committee

Subject: Proposed Event – Bloomfield Gospel Hall Outreach

Date: 10 March 2011

Reporting Officer: Andrew Hassard, Director of Parks and Leisure

Contact Officers: Philip Doherty, Park Manager

1. Relevant Background Information

The Committee is asked to note that the council has received a request from Bloomfield Gospel Hall Outreach to hold a series of gospel meetings in a portable wooden hall at Dixon Park Playing Fields. The proposed event will take place from Saturday 17 September 2011 to Sunday 22 October 2011. The times of the event will be, Sunday 7.00pm to 9.30pm and Monday to Friday 8.00pm to 9.30pm, there will be no Saturday night event. The meetings have occurred on this site before over the last few years with no reported incidents.

2. Key Issues

The event will set up on site on Saturday 17 September and event breakdown will occur on Sunday 22 October 2011. It is envisaged that the site will be clear by 12 noon on Sunday 22 October.

Car parking will be provided on site and will be supervised by the event stewards. PSNI have been notified of this proposed event.

The organisers of the event propose to erect Harris fencing around the hall for additional security and PSNI have been requested to monitor this. Power for the event will be provided by a generator.

3. Resource Implications

Financial

There are no financial implications for the Council.

Human Resources

All human resource implications will be met by the event organisers.

	<p>Asset and Other Implications Due care and attention will be given by the event organisers to ensure that no damage occurs on site.</p>
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4. Equality and Good Relations Implications	
	None.

5. Recommendations	
	<p>It is recommended that the committee grant authority for Bloomfield Gospel Hall Outreach to hold a gospel outreach event at Dixon Playing Fields on 17 September to 22 October 2011 subject to condition that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the event organisers resolve all operational issues to the council's satisfaction; (ii) the event organisers meet all statutory requirements, including compliance with Entertainment Licensing legislation; and (iii) an appropriate legal agreement is completed by the Assistant Chief Executive and Town Solicitor.

6. Decision Tracking	
	Officer responsible: Musgrave Park Manager.

7. Key to Abbreviations	
	None.

8. Documents Attached	
	None.