



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Parks and Leisure Committee
Subject:	Sustrans Fundraising
Date:	14 April 2011
Reporting Officer:	Andrew Hassard, Director of Parks and Leisure

1. Relevant Background Information
<p>Last year at its meeting on 14 May 2010 the Parks and Leisure Committee granted approval to Sustrans to carry out fundraising within Clement Wilson Park over the Summer period commencing in June 2010. Sustrans is the charity behind the National Cycle Network and the fundraising at Clement Wilson Park was part of a wider fundraising initiative on sections of the National Cycle Network including Comber Greenway and the City Centre.</p> <p>A further request has been received from Sustrans to carry out the same fundraising initiative from July to September 2011 within Clement Wilson Park and also the towpath at the Gasworks site.</p>
2. Key Issues
<p>There is currently no policy in relation to charitable collections within Parks and Leisure estate therefore individual requests such as this one need to be considered and agreed by committee.</p> <p>The fundraising will be carried out by personal fundraisers who will ask cyclists and walkers if they wish to make a regular donation to Sustrans. No cash will be collected.</p> <p>Members will note that the Gasworks site is not within the Parks and Leisure estate however the Town Solicitor and Assistant Chief Executive has advised that the decision can be taken by the Parks and Leisure Committee and copied to the Director of Property and Projects for information.</p>
3. Resource implications
None.

4. Equality and Good Relations Implications
None.

5. Recommendations
It is recommended that approval be given to allow Sustrans to carry out fundraising within Clement Wilson Park and the towpath at the Gasworks site from July – September 2011.

6. Decision Tracking
Officer responsible: Principal Parks and Cemeteries Services Manager. Decision of the Committee to be notified to Sustrans by May 2011.

7. Key to Abbreviations
None.

8. Documents attached
None.