

Belfast City Council

Report to: Parks and Leisure Committee

Subject: Contractor access to Ballysillan Leisure Centre grounds

for boundary improvement works

Date: 13 September 2012

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1 Relevant Background Information

DSD in its urban regeneration role has commissioned URS Limited to implement public realm improvements for a number of areas, including Ballysillan Road. It is proposed to improve the boundary treatment at Ballysillan Leisure Centre.

Parks and Leisure officers were approached for comments and are liaising with URS on the design. Contractor access to the Leisure Centre grounds will be required for carrying out the works. The period for works will be in the region of 30 days.

2 Key Issues

URS has sought an arrangement with Council to provide Contractor access for Whitemountain Quarries to the grounds of Ballysillan Leisure Centre. This is to undertake works in connection with public realm improvements to the boundary treatment at the Leisure Centre.

A suitable Licence Agreement between the Council and Whitemountain Quarries would regulate use.

3 Resource Implications

Financial

There will be no fee associated with the licence as it is to carry out improvement works which benefit the Council.

Human Resources

No additional human resources required. Resources from Parks and Leisure Services Services, Estates Management Unit and Legal Services required to draw up appropriate Licence Agreement and monitor compliance.

Asset and Other Implications

The Licence Agreement would seek to protect the Council's interest.

4 Equality and Good Relations Considerations

5 Recommendations

Committee is recommended to approve URS's request for access to the grounds of Ballysillan Leisure Centre, on the terms as outlined above, subject to a suitable location being agreed for ancillary facilities and subject to such occupation being regulated by an appropriate Licence Agreement to be prepared by the Director of Legal Services.

6	Decision Tracking
	Director of Property and Projects to ensure that the Licence Agreement is
	progressed.

7	Key to Abbreviations
	DSD – Department for Social Development

8	Documents Attached
	None.