

Belfast City Council

Report to: Parks and Leisure Committee

Subject: Mary Peters Track

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1 Relevant Background Information

The Committee will be aware that work is continuing to upgrade the Mary Peters Track.

As previously reported the new eight lane track has been laid and the infield area has been completed. The contractor has requested and been granted a contract extension to complete the spectator stand and this is scheduled to be completed by the end of February 2013. Following completion application will be made to Athletics UK and IAAF for accreditation which will permit the track to be re-opened, it is anticipated that this will be completed during March 2013.

2 Key Issues

The Committee is asked to note:

- The physical works are nearing completion, some minor adjustments are required and a snagging list has been produced. It remains our intention to re-open on during Easter Week, week of 1 April 2013;
- 2. It is intended to arrange an athletic event at the new facility on
- 3. 25 June to officially re-launch the facility. Work on this is ongoing on this in conjunction with Northern Ireland Athletics and further information will be brought to the Committee at its March meeting;

- 4. As reported previously the management agreement for the facility has been recently retendered. Two tenders have been received and these are currently be evaluated with a view to an appointment in February 2013.
- 5. Work on the statue of Dame Mary Peters is continuing and a procurement process is underway, it intended that the statue will be unveiled as part of the official opening on 25 June 2013.

3	Resource Implications
	<u>Financial</u>
	There are no additional financial implications.
	Human Resources
	There are no additional human resource implications

4	Equality and Good Relations Considerations
4.1	There are no equality implications

5		Recommendations
5.	1	The Committee is asked to note the report.

6	Decision Tracking
	A further report will be brought to Committee in March 2013.

7	Key to Abbreviations
	None

8	Documents Attached
	None