



## Belfast City Council

<b>Report to:</b>	Parks and Leisure Committee
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Northern Ireland Barrio Fiesta Committee (NIBFC) event in Lower Botanic Gardens</b>
<b>Date:</b>	11 April 2013
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Andrew Hassard, Director of Parks and Leisure
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	Stephen Stockman, City Park Manager (East)

<b>1.</b>	<b>Relevant Background Information</b>
	<p>The Committee is asked to note that the Council has received a request from Katrina Albarico, Chairperson of The Northern Ireland Barrio Fiesta Committee ( NIBFC ) to hold an event in Lower Botanic Gardens on 29 June 2013.</p> <p>The NIBFC represents Filipino volunteers in partnership with ABS-CBN Europe Ltd who propose to attract Filipinos from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland to the proposed event.</p>

<b>2.</b>	<b>Key Issues</b>
	<p>The key issues for the Committee to note are :</p> <p>The Council wishes to promote its parks and open spaces and where appropriate shall permit the use of these facilities for events:</p> <p>The Committee has received a request or use of Lower Botanic Gardens on the 29 June 2013 from 9.00am to 6.00pm.</p> <p>The total proposed timescale from setup to take down is 3 days, 28 – 30 June 2013.</p> <p>There shall be stalls at the event selling Philippine cuisine and products.</p>

	<p>Non alcoholic beverages shall be sold at the event</p> <p>It is envisaged that the total audience shall be approximately 1000 people of whom 60% shall be families.</p> <p>The event would be subject to the preparation of an event management plan which would cover all aspects of management including Health and Safety.</p> <p>A Legal Agreement will be provided by Legal Services.</p> <p>Consultation by NIBFC will be undertaken with other local stakeholders such as Queens University, Lyric theatre and local residents.</p>
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<b>3.</b>	<b>Resource Implications</b>
	<p><u>Financial</u> The Bond of Intent shall be waived but a Bond of reinstatement of £1000 shall be provided by the NIBFC.</p> <p><u>Human Resources</u> There may be overtime required by staff to assist with the management of the proposed event</p> <p><u>Asset and Other Implications</u> NIBFC shall ensure all minimal impact on Council property and shall provide a bond of reinstatement prior to the event.</p>

<b>4.</b>	<b>Equality Implications</b>
	<p>There are no equality implications as the proposed event promotes cultural diversity.</p>

<b>5.</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
	<p>Committee is asked to :</p> <p>Grant permission to NIBFC to provide a Philippine event in Lower Botanic Gardens subject to satisfactory terms being agreed by the Director of Parks and Leisure and on condition that :</p> <p>(1) The event organisers resolve all operational issues to the Council's satisfaction;</p> <p>(2) An appropriate legal agreement, to be prepared by the Assistant Chief Executive and Town Solicitor is completed; and</p> <p>(3) The event organisers meet all statutory requirements</p>

<b>6.</b>	<b>Decision Tracking</b>
	All actions will be completed by the City Park Manager (East)

<b>7.</b>	<b>Key to Abbreviations</b>
	NIBFC – Northern Ireland Barrio Fiesta Committee

<b>8.</b>	<b>Documents Attached</b>
	None