



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Parks and Leisure Committee
Subject:	Glasgow Rose Trials 23 and 24 August 2013
Date:	11 April 2013
Reporting Officer:	Andrew Hassard, Director of Parks and Leisure.
Contact Officers:	Fiona Holdsworth, Principal Parks and Cemeteries Officer.

1 Relevant Background Information

The City of Glasgow International Rose Trials will take place on 23 and 24 August 2013 and is acknowledged as a premier event within the international rose trial circuit. Belfast City Council has attended this event regularly over the years and is anticipating being invited this year by Glasgow City Council to participate in trial judging.

Representatives from Glasgow Council have reciprocated each year, by supporting the Council's Rose Trial event at Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park. Attendance at the trials has helped to promote links between the two Councils in the provision of judges enabling joint learning and discussion of future developments.

2 Key Issues

Attendance at the City of Glasgow International Rose Trials would provide an opportunity to promote Belfast to the many delegates who attend. It is proposed the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Parks and Leisure Committee and the Director of Parks and Leisure or their nominees attend the Glasgow Rose Trials on 23 and 24 August 2013.

3	Resource Implications
	<p><u>Human Resources</u> There are no Human Resource issues other than officer time.</p> <p><u>Financial Implications</u> Attendance at the Glasgow Rose Trials, including flights and accommodation for 1 night will cost approximately £300 per attendee.</p>

4	Equality and Good Relations Implications
	There are no known equality issues associated with this request.

5	Recommendations
	It is recommended that approval is given for the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Parks and Leisure Committee and the Director of Parks and Leisure or their nominees to attend the International Rose Trials in Glasgow from 23 to 24 August 2013.

6	Decision Tracking
	Responsible Officer: City Park Manager (South/West)

7	Abbreviations
	None.

8	Documents Attached
	None.