



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Parks and Leisure Committee
Subject:	Naming request in relation to the naming of the new shared facility in the Waterworks
Date:	16 January 2014
Reporting Officer:	Rose Crozier, Assistant Director of Parks and Leisure
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1.	Relevant Background Information
	<p>The Council has received part funding from DCAL to install a new facility in the Waterworks Park to be used by the local fishing club for storage and as a meeting venue. Part of the new facility will also be used by other groups within the site as a shared venue for holding meetings and classes etc.</p> <p>It is proposed that the new facility is named and at a meeting with the fishing club committee on the 19th December it was proposed that the facility be named "The Anglers' Cabin"</p>

2.	Key Issues
	<p>The Parks and Leisure Committee at its meeting in August 2008 agreed a policy framework for managing requests to (re)name parks and leisure facilities. The policy only applies to the (re)naming of entire parks and facilities. The policy further recommended that the policy apply only to local parks and leisure facilities.</p> <p>It was also agreed by Committee that if the Council decide that the proposed name change meets the criteria, the applicant will have to undertake consultation with users and the local community to show that there is widespread support for the name change. In summary 50% of the catchment area population of the park should be consulted and the applicant will have to demonstrate that 66% of the sample i.e. 50% of the catchment area population agrees with the proposed name change.</p> <p>Whilst the policy does not apply to (re)naming parts of parks or structures within them, the Committee may want to give some consideration to these</p>

	<p>criteria when considering this request. The criteria which relates to this request are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The name should provide a sense of place, reflecting the geographic location, community, neighbourhood or street where the park, facility or amenity is located. • The name should reflect the historical significance of the area or reflects unique characteristics of the site (unique flora / fauna) <p>The proposed name meets both of these criteria in that angling is a key activity within the Waterworks site.</p> <p>Members may decide that because this request is a request to name a structure within a park site rather than an entire park that in this instance consultation is not required.</p>
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3.	Resource Implications
	<p><u>Financial</u> There will be financial costs associated with the erection and maintenance of signage which is included in the site budget.</p> <p><u>Human Resources</u> There are no human resource implications at this stage.</p> <p><u>Asset and Other Implications</u> A new Council asset will be potentially named.</p>

4.	Equality Implications
	If Members decide to name the new facility it will be screened in line with the Council's Equality Process.

5.	Recommendations
	<p>Members are asked to consider:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. the request to name the new facility in the Waterworks Park the "Anglers' Cabin"; and ii. if they agree to the request, if consultation is required.

6.	Decision Tracking
	The Director will implement the Committee's decision as required.

7.	Key to Abbreviations
	DCAL – Department Culture Arts and Leisure

8.	Documents Attached
	None