

Belfast City Council

Report to:	Parks and Leisure Committee
Subject:	Container at Waterworks
Date:	10 April 2014
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1.	Relevant Background Information
	The Committee is reminded that it received a report at its meeting on 14 March 2013 which sought authority to install a container at Waterworks Park located adjacent to the upper pond. The report highlighted that the request had been initiated by the Fisherman's group, who had requested a container to be used for storage and as a dry area for the fishermen. The report further noted that funding had been sourced from Department of Culture Arts and Leisure.
	The funding was successfully drawn down and the container has been installed.
	The fishermen currently have a facilities management agreement in relation to the upper pond and this permits them to fish. The container was provided primarily to meet the needs and requirements of the fishermen. In order to permit the fishermen to use the facility, it is proposed that the existing facilities management agreement be varied to incorporate key holding and use of the facility. In return, the fishermen will be expected to retain the facility in good order and ensure it is kept clean and tidy and compliant with health and safety regulations. In return the Council will carry out any necessary maintenance to it and will incorporate public liability within its schedule, as was agreed by Committee in March 2013.

2.	Key Issues
	The key issue for the committee is to consider whether or not it is content to agree to the variation of the facilities management agreement to include use of the container which has been provided primarily for their use through funding from DCAL.

3. Resource Implications

Financial Implications

There are no additional financial implications at this time.

Resource Implications

There are no additional human resource implications.

Asset and Other Implications

This will help sustain the fishermen as a group and enable them to continue to make a positive contribution to the diverse range of activities in the park.

4. Equality Implications There are no equality implications

5. Recommendations

The Committee is asked to agree to the variation of the existing Facilities Management Agreement with the Fishermen's group.

6.	Decision Tracking
	Director of Parks and Leisure

7.	Key to Abbreviations
	None

8.	Documents Attached
	Appendix A – Previous Committee Report March 2013