



## Belfast City Council

<b>Report to:</b>	Parks and Leisure Committee
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Glasgow Rose Trials 21 and 22 August 2014</b>
<b>Date:</b>	10 April 2014
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Andrew Hassard, Director of Parks and Leisure.
<b>Contact Officers:</b>	Fiona Holdsworth, Principal Parks and Cemeteries Officer.

<b>1</b>	<b>Relevant Background Information</b>
	<p>The City of Glasgow International Rose Trials will take place on 21 and 22 August 2014. The event 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.</p> <p>Representatives from Glasgow City 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.</p>

<b>2</b>	<b>Key Issues</b>
	<p>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 21 and 22 August 2014.</p>

<b>3</b>	<b>Resource Implications</b>
	<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 £325 per attendee.</p>
<b>4</b>	<b>Equality and Good Relations Implications</b>
	There is no known equality issues associated with this request.
<b>5</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
	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 21 to 22 August 2014.
<b>6</b>	<b>Decision Tracking</b>
	Responsible Officer: Fiona Holdsworth, Principal Parks and Cemeteries Officer
<b>7</b>	<b>Abbreviations</b>
	None.
<b>8</b>	<b>Documents Attached</b>
	None.