

Belfast City Council

Report to: Parks and Leisure Committee

Subject: Proposed Event – Palestine Aid Sponsored Run

Date: 24 February 2015

Reporting Officer: Andrew Hassard, Director of Parks and Leisure

Contact Officer: Brian McKinley, Events Officer

1. Relevant Background Information

1.1 The Committee is asked to note that the Council received a request on 16 October 2014 from Palestine Aid to host a sponsored Park Run at the Waterworks. The event will have approximately 200 participants. The date proposed for the event is Sunday 29 March 2015, at 11am.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 The event organisers have confirmed that the run will be sponsored but that the sponsorship will be managed online and no money will be collected at the Waterworks.
- 2.2 Palestine Aid group is a charity recognised by the Inland Revenue and receives Gift Aid. They are in the process of applying to the Charity Commission for charity status.
- 2.3 The event organiser is required to ensure that there will be no flags or banners in the Waterworks other than those that advertise the event, which will be agreed with the Park Manager.
- 2.4 The event organisers will be required to complete the agreed event management plan. It will address all relevant issues including health and safety and Public Liability Insurance to the satisfaction of Council officers.

3.	Resource Implications
	<u>Financial</u>
	None.
	Human

None.
Asset and Other Implications
None.

4. Equality and good relations implications

The events policy for Parks and Leisure facilities and venues was previously screened as part of its consideration to Committee. The application of the policy is deemed to have no differential impact on any one group, given the diversity of applicant groups and range of events organised across the Council's properties.

5. Recommendations

The Committee is asked to approve the Palestine Aid Sponsored Run which will be held at the Waterworks subject to the completion of an appropriate event management plan to the satisfaction of Council officers.

6. Decision Tracking

All actions will be completed by Donal Grant-Stevenson, Community Parks Manager and Brian McKinley, Events Officer,

7. Key to Abbreviations

None.

8. Documents Attached

None.