



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Strategic Policy and Resources Committee
Subject:	Investment Programme: Wilmont House
Date:	22 June 2012
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1	Relevant Background Information
1.1	Wilmont House lies within Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park and is currently vacant and unused by the Council. Wilmont House is a Listed Building and preserving the structure from the effects of wind and rain continues to be a draw on Council resources.
1.2	Following responses to an Expressions of Interest advertisement, the Parks and Leisure Committee, at its meeting on 14 June 2012, received a report on potential future uses of the building and preparation of a Development Brief for further public advertisement. A copy of the report to Parks and Leisure Committee is attached as Appendix 1.

2	Key Issues
2.1	The Director of Property and Projects will provide a verbal update on the outcome of the Parks and Leisure Committee of 14 June 2012.
2.2	Members may wish to note that the refurbishment and regeneration of Wilmont House is an emerging project in the Council's City Investment Programme.

3	Resource Implications
3.1	<u>Financial</u> None at this stage.
3.2	<u>Human Resources</u> Dependent upon outcomes from Parks and Leisure Committee, see Appendix 1.

3.3	<p><u>Asset and Other Implications</u></p> <p>As noted in Appendix 1.</p>
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4	Equality and Good Relations Considerations
4.1	There are no equality or good relations issues at this stage.

5	Recommendations
5.1	<p>Members are asked to note that the Parks & Leisure Committee has been requested to approve the preparation and public advertisement of a Development Brief for the regeneration and refurbishment of Wilmont House on the basis as outlined in the enclosed report. The Director of Property and Projects will provide a verbal update on the outcome of the Parks & Leisure Committee.</p>

6	Decision Tracking

7	Key to Abbreviations

8	Documents Attached
	Appendix 1 – Copy of report to the Parks and Leisure Committee of 14 June 2012.