



Subject:	Request for Approval of World Celtic Spey Casting event at Waterworks Park
Date:	10 th January 2017
Reporting Officer:	Nigel Grimshaw, Director City & Neighbourhood Services Department
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Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To advise the Committee of the second year of the Celtic Spey Casting event at Waterworks Park on 19 th -21 st May 2017, building on the success of the previous year's event and to seek Committee approval for hosting of the event and for additional funding to facilitate the event.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Agree to the hosting of the event on 19th-21st May 2017 at Waterworks Park, subject to completion of the appropriate Event Management Plans and on the condition that the Event Organisers meet all statutory requirements including Public Liability Insurance and provide relevant Health and Safety documentation and Risk Assessments.▪ Agree to additional funding support required by the Families at the Waterworks Club to host the event on 19th-21st May 2017 as outlined below.
3.0	Main report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> The proposed Celtic World Spey Casting Invitational Challenge Event at Waterworks will

	<p>be in its second year and has been planned by the Families at the Waterworks Fishing Club for 19th-21st May 2017.</p>
3.2	<p>Committee members at the club have applied for the Council Sports Event Grant Funding of £10,000 towards the event.</p>
3.3	<p>The event will help build experience and an evidence base for a potential World Championship bid in 2020.</p>
3.4	<p>The event is needed to promote the club and Waterworks Park, specifically the potential of the club to support local good relations through cross-community events whilst hosting events to develop the sport of fishing at Waterworks.</p>
3.5	<p>The Fishing Club has and is continually seeking to develop as a club providing positive, healthy recreation for local people from across the community spectrum. The club are particularly keen to attract and retain young people introducing them to the sport and the Waterworks as a shared space and not a divisive space. This event will help to underline this and if successful raise the profile of the Park and bring local communities together.</p>
3.6	<p>The Challenge event will bring World Class Fishermen from all over the globe for example America, Japan and Scandinavia together with Belfast and regional competitors with 50 competitors and 250 spectators estimated daily.</p>
3.7	<p>Friday 19th May will be a Cross Community Day with 300 young people of all ages and abilities from across North Belfast transported to Waterworks to undertake Fishing and Casting Try-It sessions with Good Relations as the focus. The competitors taking part in the event from around the World will interact with the local youths and cross-community activities shall be provided to fully engage all in the event.</p>
3.8	<p>Saturday and Sunday 20/21st May will be the main competition days and it is hoped to engage and attract large spectator numbers throughout the event which will be marketing as a showpiece for sport and good relations in the area.</p>
	<p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p>
3.9	<p>Committee is asked to consider additional support up to £7,500 from existing budgets which could not be attained through the Sports Event Grant yet is necessary for the</p>

	<p>successful staging of this World event at Waterworks;</p> <p>Medals, Welcome Gifts and Trophies - £2000</p> <p>Hospitality (Awards reception Belfast Castle and daily lunches) -£2000</p> <p>Transport for International Competitors - £1000</p> <p>Bouncy Castles for family engagement - £1000</p> <p>Toilet Hire - £500</p> <p>Compere for event and competition - £1000</p>
3.10	<p>The event organisers are actively seeking sources of funding therefore the amount of support requested may be reduced.</p>
3.11	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implication</u></p> <p>This event will help to greatly enhance cross community relations at Waterworks Park as a shared space</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
4.1	None