



Subject:	Request for BCC support of North Belfast Hills Greenway Project
Date:	6 February 2018
Reporting Officer:	Nigel Grimshaw Director Of City And Neighbourhood Services
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Call-in</b>	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues</b>
	Ligoniel has requested formal support of an application for Heritage Lottery Funding through Council entering a partnership agreement.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	Members are asked to agree in principle, to enter into a Partnership Agreement with Ligoniel Improvement Association in support of their funding application to Heritage Lottery Fund Great Places for their North Belfast Hills Greenway Project.

	<p>This would be subject to consultation with Legal Services and Property and Projects Department and agreement of terms with the City Solicitor.</p>
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main report</b>
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>Ligoniel Improvement Association are seeking support for a Heritage Lottery Fund Great Places application for their North Belfast Hills Greenway Project.</p> <p>In essence the application is for £250,000 to promote and develop community activity and participation along the walking route from Ligoniel, through Ligoniel Park, across the Cave Hill to McArt's Fort and down to Belfast Castle. This will involve developing interpretation and extending the historical exploration of significant features along the route.</p> <p>Ligoniel Improvement Association's application for the North Belfast Hills Greenway project has been shortlisted in the first round and is now one of five finalists.</p> <p>Belfast Hills Partnership and Cave Hill Conversation Campaign have endorsed the project.</p> <p>The proposed Partnership Agreement is attached at Appendix 1. Members should note this is currently in draft form and will be subject to consultation with City and Neighbourhood Services, Property and Projects and agreement of terms with Legal Services.</p>
3.2	<p><u>Financial &amp; Resource Implications</u></p> <p>There are no known financial implications for Belfast City Council.</p>
3.3	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>There are no equality or Good Relations implications.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b>
	Appendix 1 - Partnership Agreement with Ligoniel Improvement Association.