



<b>Subject:</b>	Request for The Use of Falls Park for Feile an Phobail.
<b>Date:</b>	5 June 2018
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Nigel Grimshaw, Strategic Director, City & Neighbourhood Services
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
<b>Is this report restricted?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?</b>	
<b>After Committee Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>After Council Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Some time in the future</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Never</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues</b>
1.1	<p>The Committee is asked to note that the Council has received a request from Feile an Phobail for the use of the facilities in Falls Park during the West Belfast Festival which is due to take place from 3 - 10 August 2018, with set up beginning 29 July 2018 and take down by the 19 August 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ The event will require the closure of all or a substantial proportion of the facility and will have alcohol on sale during some of the events.</li></ul>

<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	<p>The Committee is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Approve the Feile an Phobail application for the use and hire of the facilities at Falls Park and approve the use of the City Cemetery for guided tours with an appropriate charge, on the condition that : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Event Organisers resolve all operational issues to the Council's satisfaction.</li> <li>▪ An appropriate legal agreement is prepared by the City Solicitor.</li> <li>▪ The Event Organisers meet all statutory requirements including Public Liability Insurance cover, Health and Safety, Food Safety and licensing responsibilities.</li> <li>▪ The Event Organisers obtain licences for the sale of alcohol, in a timely manner through the appropriate channels.</li> <li>▪ The timely payment of the agreed charges and bonds as required in the legal agreements.</li> <li>▪ The Event Organisers shall consult with adjoining public bodies and local communities as necessary.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main report</b>
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>Since August 2006, Feile an Phobail has organised a number of West Belfast Festival events at Belfast City Council venues.</p>
3.2	<p>The West Belfast Festival has requested permission to organise a number of events in Falls Park. They may require the use of other Council facilities as the final list of events have not yet been finalised.</p>
3.3	<p>The events would be similar to previous years which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Carnival parade through Falls Park</li> <li>▪ Teddy Bears picnic in Falls Park</li> <li>▪ Feile family entertainment day in the park, music events and family entertainment.</li> <li>▪ An occasional licence will be applied for by the organisers for the sale of alcohol and an entertainment licence for the period of the event.</li> <li>▪ Guided historical tours in the City Cemetery which would be charged for appropriately by the tour provider.</li> </ul>

3.4	<p>This application will be supported by an Event Management Plan and will be subject to the organisers liaising with Council officers and meeting all statutory, legal and Health and safety requirements. Organisers will also be required to reinstate all Council property to its original condition after use. Organisers will be reminded that the current ground conditions and location of this event may have to change due to adverse weather conditions and failure to make good after previous Feile events.</p>
	<p><u>Financial &amp; Resource Implications</u></p>
3.5	<p>None</p>
	<p><u>Human</u></p>
3.6	<p>Staff may be required to work additional hours to cover the events outside normal hours and this will be charged to the hirer, in line with the process adopted in previous years.</p>
	<p><u>Asset and Other Implications</u></p>
3.7	<p>Council officers will liaise with organisers in relation to the potential environmental impact of this event. A reinstatement bond will be required to be paid to the council before the event to cover any reinstatement of grounds after the event; this bond will be £10,000.</p>
	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p>
3.8	<p>There are no known implications.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b>
	None