



Subject:	Update on Green Flag Parks
Date:	6th November 2018
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Restricted Reports	
Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?	
After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
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 update members of the recent success in achieving 19 Green Flags and to nominate Drumglass Park, to apply for the Green Flag award in 2019.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is recommended to; <ul style="list-style-type: none">Take note of the report and approve Drumglass Park to apply for a Green Flag award in 2019.
3.0	Main report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> 19 Belfast City Council Parks, Playing Fields and a Cemetery were Green Flag judged over the summer of 2018. The judging criteria is based on 8 elements;

- A welcoming place
- Healthy, safe and secure
- Well maintained and clean
- Environmental Management
- Biodiversity, Landscape and Heritage
- Community Involvement
- Marketing and Communication
- Management, including 3 year action plan.

3.2

All 18 Parks and 1 cemetery were awarded Green Flag status. This is a tremendous achievement and staff have been thanked for their hard work and efforts to achieve Green flag status in so many locations

The 19 Parks, Playing Fields and Cemetery awarded Green Flag are;

Barnett Demesne

Belmont Park

Botanic Gardens

Cave hill Country Park

Connswater Community Greenway

Dunmurry Park

Dunville Park

Falls Park

Grove Playing Fields

Half Moon Lake

Knocknagoney Linear Park

Lagan Meadows

Musgrave Park

Ormeau Park

Roselawn Cemetery

Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park

Tullycarnet Park

	<p>Waterworks</p> <p>Woodvale Park</p>
3.3	<p>Members are asked to note that the Connswater Community Greenway includes the full extent of the 15 kilometers and Victoria and Orangefield Parks, and that Botanic Gardens has received recognition for the opening of the Tropical Ravine with a prestigious Heritage Award.</p>
3.4	<p>In addition to all of the above Parks, Playing Fields and Cemeteries, Parks Officers, having evaluated the Green Flag criteria, are recommending Drumglass Park should also apply for a Green Flag Award.</p>
3.5	<p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>The cost of managing, maintaining and improving the parks to maintain Green Flag status are included in current revenue budgets. There is a charge of approximately £500 to have each park judged. This is included in current revenue budgets.</p>
3.6	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>There are no known implications</p>
4.0	Appendices
	None