





Subject:	Christmas lights on living Christmas tree in Belvoir open space
Date:	6 th November 2019
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Restricted Reports		
Is this report restricted?	Yes No	X
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?		
After Committee Decision		
After Council Decision		
Some time in the future		
Never		

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes X No

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To provide approval for Christmas lights to be erected on a living Christmas tree in Belvoir
	open space.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to;
	 provide approval for festive Christmas lights to be erected on a living Christmas tree
	in Belvoir Open Space, subject to Belvoir Area Residents Association receiving
	approval and license from Belfast City Council, as owner of the street light, for
	provision of public liability insurance from the contractor installing the cabling, lights.
	An application has been made to NIE by Belvoir Area Residents Association and a
	response is attached as Appendix 1.

3.0	Main report
3.1	Members are reminded that on 8th May 2018 the People and Communities Committee
	granted permission for the Belvoir Area Residents Association to erect a living Christmas
	tree on Belfast City Council land at Belvoir open space.
3.2	Belvoir Area Residents Association received external funding to purchase and plant the
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	Christmas tree. The tree will be planted during the month of November 2018. Belvoir
	Residents Association have received further external funding to supply festive Christmas
	lights on the tree.
	Key Issues
3.3	Committee approval is requested to grant license to connect to a council owned street light
	in Belvoir Park, subject to a successful application by the Belvoir Area Residents
	Association to NI Electricity to use the electricity supply.
	Financial & Descurse Implications
	Financial & Resource Implications
3.4	There are no financial implications for Belfast City Council. All costs will be the
	responsibility of Belvoir Area residents association including cost of electricity.
	Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment
3.5	There are no known implications.
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	Appendix 1 - Response from NI Electricity.