



<b>Subject:</b>	NICVA Summit 2026
<b>Date:</b>	24 April 2026
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	John Tully, Director of City and Organisational Strategy
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<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/Summary of Main Issues</b>
1.1	The purpose of this report is to inform Members of a request from NICVA requesting sponsorship of their upcoming NICVA Summit event. An overview of NICVA's proposal is attached at Appendix 1.

<b>20</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
2.1	Members are asked to consider NICVA's request for sponsorship of £20,000 for their 2026 Summit event.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	As outlined in Appendix 1, NICVA have requested a contribution of £20,000 from Belfast City Council to support the 2026 Summit, with the full delivery costs of the event estimated at over £70,000.
3.2	NICVA highlight that this investment will directly support the delivery of a 'vital platform for collaboration, learning and advocacy, ensuring that organisations across Belfast and beyond can participate and that the value of the voluntary and community sector is clearly demonstrated and strengthened'.
3.3	Council previously agreed to provide sponsorship of £10,000 to NICVA for their Future Thinking Summit which took place in October 2024 – a copy of this request is attached at Appendix 2.
	<b><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></b>
3.4	There is currently an allocation of £10,000 to support the NICVA Summit 2026 within existing City and Organisational Strategy departmental budgets.
3.5	Should Members be minded to approve the request for an additional £10,000, consideration of the source of the additional funding and potential realignment of City and Organisational Strategy budgets will be required.
	<b><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications / Rural Needs Assessment</u></b>
3.6	None.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices - Documents Attached</b>
4.1	Appendix 1 – NICVA Summit 2026 – case for support proposal Appendix 2 - NICVA Future Thinking Summit 2024 – SP&R Committee report