



Belfast City Council

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| Report to: | Adjourned Strategic Policy and Resources Committee |
| Subject: | Brighter Belfast Initiative 2008/2009 |
| Date: | 26 th February, 2008 |
| Reporting Officer: | Mr. Trevor Salmon, Director of Corporate Services |
| Contact Officer: | Mr Marcus Campbell (extension 3680) |

Relevant Background Information

The Council, at its meeting on 4th February, approved the Revenue Estimates 2008/2009.

This includes an amount of £1.5 million in the Waste Disposal Fund, which is to be allocated next year to finance the Brighter Belfast Initiative, Disability Access and the closure of Dargan Road.

The Health and Environmental Service Committee, at its meeting on 9th January, agreed the projects which would be included in the Belfast Initiative for 2008/2009 and recommended that the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee approve the undernoted levels of funding from within the Waste Disposal Fund (a copy of the minute in this regard is appended to the report):

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| Making Belfast Bloom | £ 50,000 |
| The Community in the City: A Public Art Project | £ 50,000 |
| Evening Economy | £ 90,000 |
| Greencare III | £150,000 |
| Pride of Place Competition | £ <u>7,000</u> |
| TOTAL: | £347,000 |

Key Issues

The Brighter Belfast Initiative is the Council's campaign to create a cleaner and more attractive City. This has been a key objective in the Corporate Plan since 2003.

The Waste Disposal Fund is managed by the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee and its approval is required for the allocation of the budget.

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| Resource Implications |
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| <u>Human Resources</u> |
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| There are no Human Resources implications associated with this report. |
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| <u>Financial</u> |
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| Funding of up to £347,000 will be required to undertake the Brighter Belfast Initiatives 2008/2009. |
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| Recommendations |
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| The Committee is recommended to approve the associated levels of funding for the Brighter Belfast Initiative 2008/2009 |
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| Documents Attached |
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| Appendix 1 – Extract from minutes of meeting of Health and Environmental Services Committee of 9th January, 2008 |
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