

### **Belfast City Council**

**Report to:** Parks and Leisure Committee

**Subject:** Proposed Contractor's Compound – Andersonstown

Leisure Centre

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### 1. Relevant Background Information

Engineering consultants from FP McCann, acting for the Department of Social Development (DSD) have approached the council seeking use of an area of council land at the rear of Andersonstown Leisure Centre. The area is approximately 409 square meters and adjoins the pitch to the rear of the centre (area shown outlined in red on the attached map – Appendix 1).

FP McCann are currently using the area shown on Appendix 1 as a contractors compound in connection with improvement works being carried out on the car park at Andersonstown Leisure Centre. This work is being undertaken by DSD as part of the Environmental Improvement Scheme which involves public realm improvements along Andersonstown Road. The works include landscaping, new street furniture and footpath resurfacing. FP McCann propose to continue to use this area as a contractors compound for the duration of the wider scheme and they envisage that it will be required for a period of approximately ten months with a likely commencement date in December 2011.

FP McCann is prepared to enter into a license agreement with the council at a fee of £100 per week. The license agreement would, among other things ensure appropriate reinstatement, site security, protection of adjoining council land and deal with insurance issues.

### 2. Key Issues

• Contractors compound sought by FP McCann on council land at the rear of Andersonstown Leisure.

- Area required for approximately ten months, commencing late 2011 in connection with the DSD's Environmental Improvement Scheme.
- A suitable licence agreement between the Council and FP McCann would regulate use.
- No negative impact upon the Leisure Centre.

## 3. Resource implications

#### Financial

Small monthly fee of £100. No outgoings by Council.

### **Human Resources**

No additional human resources required. Resources from Parks and Leisure Department, Estates Management Unit and Legal Services required to draw up appropriate licence agreement and monitor compliance.

### Asset and Other Implications

Temporary use only to be governed by a legal agreement to ensure no lasting detriment to the asset.

# 4. Equality and good relations implications

None.

#### 5. Recommendations

Committee is recommended to approve the granting of a license agreement at a fee of £100 per week payable by FP McCann. Detailed terms to be agreed by the Estates Manager for a period of 10 months for the use of the outlined area on the attached map (Appendix 1) as a contractors compound.

#### 6. Decision Tracking

If approved the Leisure Centre Manager will liaise with Estates Management.

#### 7. Key to abbreviations

DSD: Department for Social Development

#### 8. Documents Attached

Appendix 1: Map showing (outlined in red) area at Andersonstown Leisure Centre required by FP McCann for contractor use.