



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Strategic Policy and Resources Committee
Subject:	BELB Works at Flora Street Walkway
Date:	22 March 2013
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1	Relevant Background Information
1.1	The Parks and Leisure Committee at its meeting on 14 March 2013, received a report (copy attached as Appendix 1) outlining a proposal to utilise part of Flora Street Walkway to provide contractor's access and a temporary contractor's compound, in connection with replacement of a boundary wall at Avoniel Primary School/Nursery School.
1.2	The report sought Committee approval for the grant of a Licence Agreement (for approximately 10 weeks) to Maurice Flynn & Sons who are the contractor to Belfast Education and Library Board for these works. The Director of Property and Projects will provide a verbal update on the outcome of the Parks and Leisure Committee.

2	Key Issues
2.1	The attached copy report and map refer to areas to be used for access and for a contractor's compound, at Flora Street Walkway. It is proposed these areas will be incorporated in a Licence Agreement between the Council and Maurice Flynn & Sons. It is proposed the Licence Agreement will be for a period of approximately 10 weeks subject to an agreed Licence Fee of £75 per week payable to the Council.

3	Resource Implications
3.1	<u>Finance</u> Licence Fee income of £75 per week. No revenue or capital costs to the Council.
3.2	<u>Human Resources</u> Resources in Parks and Leisure, Estates Management Unit and Legal Services involved in agreeing detailed terms, drafting and completion of proposed Licence Agreement.

3.3	<p>Asset and Other Implications</p> <p>The provision of a new retaining structure will stabilise the adjoining BELB site and prevent further collapse of the site on to the Council's land.</p>
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4	Equality and Good Relations Considerations
4.1	There are no equality or good relations issues associated with this report.

5	Recommendations
5.1	Committee is recommended to approve the grant of a Licence Agreement to Maurice Flynn & Sons to allow access over the area hatched orange on the attached map and the establishment of a contractor's compound on the area outlined blue/green on the map for a period of approximately 10 weeks, at a Licence Fee of £75 per week and subject to detailed terms to be incorporated in a legal agreement to be drawn up by the Town Solicitor.

6	Decision Tracking
Director of Property and Projects to ensure Licence Agreement is completed as soon as possible following Council ratification of Committee decisions.	

7	Key to Abbreviations
BELB – Belfast Education and Library Board	

8	Documents Attached
Appendix 1 – Report to the Parks and leisure Committee of 14 March 2013, including map appended thereto. The map shows the approximate proposed access area for contractor (hatched orange) and proposed contractor's compound (outlined blue/green).	