



## Belfast City Council

<b>Report to</b>	Strategic Policy and Resources Committee
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Request for the Use of the Council Chamber</b>
<b>Date:</b>	24th May, 2013
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Officer (Ext 6314)

<b>1</b>	<b>Relevant Background Information</b>
1.1	The Council has received a request from the Belfast Policing and Community Safety Partnership for the use of the Council Chamber on Thursday, 24 <sup>th</sup> October in connection with a youth event.
1.2	The event will consist of group discussions, a question and answer session and a drama production, which will take place in the Great Hall, the Banqueting Hall and the Reception Room, and mini debates on various themes will be held between the hours of 10.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

<b>2</b>	<b>Key Issues</b>
2.1	The use of the Council Chamber for events other than the monthly Council meeting requires the approval of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee.
2.2	The proposed event has the support of the Partnership, which is of the view that the Chamber would be an ideal setting to explore various issues of relevance to young people and will provide attendees with an ideal opportunity to view the room where Council business is conducted. As such, it is considered that the request should be supported.

<b>3</b>	<b>Resource Implications</b>
	None.

<b>4</b>	<b>Equality and Good Relations Implications</b>
	None.

<b>5</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
5.1	The Committee is recommended to approve the use of the Council Chamber on Thursday, 24 <sup>th</sup> October for a youth event.

<b>6</b>	<b>Decision Tracking</b>
Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager March, 2013.	