



**Sister Cities Summit  
Belfast Programme  
19 – 20 April 2016**



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**Appendix One**

**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

**Tuesday 19 April**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Contact/Notes</b>
	Arrival of delegates to Belfast	
6.30pm	Travel to Welcome reception – by coach from City Hall and hotels	
7.00- 8.30pm	US Consul Residence Short speeches: US Consul General, Dan Lawton, Lord Mayor, Sean McGee ( Boston) and Nashville lead TBC  Return to hotels and City Hall by coach	

**Wednesday 20 April**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Contact/Notes</b>
9:30-10.45	City overview by Chief Executive, Suzanne Wylie and Director of Development, Donal Durkan. Banqueting Hall, City Hall	Note: Guests make own way to City Hall- 5 minute walk A coach will transport delegates for the rest of the day
11:00-12:30	NI Science Park and ECIT overview and tour including input from companies.  Dr Joanne Stuart - Northern Ireland Science Park Donal Durkan - BCC	Note: Officers will act as guide to indicate key developments in the City including SSE Arena, HMS Caroline, Belfast Met campus, US company investments, Titanic Belfast, Titanic Drawing Rooms, T13, Film Studios.
12:30 – 1.45	Working lunch with tourism overview and plans for Titanic Quarter. The Bridge, Titanic Belfast.  Aubrey Irwin - Tourism Ireland Kerrie Sweeney - Titanic Quarter Ltd	Overview of success of TB to date, development plans for remainder of Titanic Quarter and the redevelopment of Drawing Rooms



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	John McGrillen – Tourism NI Laurie Scott – Visit Belfast Donal Durkan - BCC	
2:00 -3:00	Waterfront Hall – tour and developments overview.  Geoff Fenlon – Waterfront Hall Susie McCullough – Waterfront Hall Donal Durkan - BCC	Overview of plans for the newly refurbished Hall and area context
3.30- 4.30	Visit to Girdwood Community Hub and overview of area and Hub.  Gerry Millar – BCC Donal Durkan _BCC Karen Trainor - BCC	Officers will refer to the Ulster University and Northside redevelopment plans including Royal Exchange and the Cultural Hub  Overview of the Peace funded shared space on a key City interface and impact of the iconic site already on the Community. Reference to Historic Crumlin Road Courthouse and Gaol as development opportunities
4.45-5.30	Tour of Innovation Factory  Donal Durkan – BCC Edel Mullan - BCC  Return to hotels past Queen's University, Queen's Quarter and Business district	Overview of EU/Council Invest NI-Funded Innovation Factory for small businesses, built on interface regeneration site
6.30	Drinks welcome reception – City Hall, Rotunda	Guests walk to City Hall Music by the Willis Clan
7:00- 10.00pm	Dinner – Banqueting Hall, City Hall	Music by the Willis Clan and best of Belfast musicians – TBC Return to hotels on foot