



Subject:	Request for The use of C.S. Lewis Square
Date:	5th June 2018
Reporting Officer:	Nigel Grimshaw, Strategic Director of City & Neighbourhood Services Department
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Restricted Reports	
Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	The Committee is asked to note that the Council has received a request from Charter for NI to host “Youth Event with Gertrude Star Band” at C. S. Lewis Square on Saturday 7 July 2018 from 4pm to 6pm.
1.2	The Event Organiser has received £3,500 in funding from Belfast City Council’s Policing and Community Safety Small Grants for elements of their event.
1.3	The overall event includes a “Memorial Parade” on the Newtownards Road, a “Youth Event” at C. S. Lewis Square and the unveiling of Gertrude Memorial Star Plinth on the Newtownards Road.

2.0	Recommendations
2.1	<p>The Committee is asked to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • approve the “Youth Event with Gertrude Star Band” at C. S. Lewis Square on Saturday 7 July 2018, subject to the completion of the appropriate Event Management Plans and satisfactory terms being agreed by the Director of City & Neighbourhood Services and on the condition that the Event Organiser: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ resolves all operational issues to the Council’s satisfaction; ○ meets all statutory requirements including Public Liability Insurance cover, Health and Safety, and licensing responsibilities; and ○ shall consult with adjoining public bodies and local communities as necessary.
3.0	Main report
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>The Event Organiser (Charter NI) has engaged with the Gertrude Star Band, Belfast City Council and the PSNI over the last 3 years. The Event Organiser has also engaged with East Belfast Youth Practitioners Forum in the past year. This engagement has been to address the issues on the ground in East Belfast in relation to band parades in particular the Gertrude Star Flute Band Memorial Parade. Funding secured in the past has been from the Policing Committee Grant however the stakeholders involved want to make the event larger to include a number of activities that will help reduce anti-social behaviour on a much larger scale.</p>
3.2	<p>The Event at C S Lewis Square will entail youth diversionary activities such as music workshops, fitness sessions and refreshments (DJ workshops, drumming circle, bungee trampolines, old fashioned arcade games, pop up football skills, Sustrans cycling skills, ice cream and issue based educational awareness).</p>
3.3	<p>The Event will be attended by local Police and BCC community safety teams to carry out engagement with young people.</p>
3.4	<p>The Event Organiser will be required to submit an Event Management Plan to the Council prior to their event, in a timely manner and undertake the appropriate notifications, as necessary.</p>

3.5	<p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>Any reinstatement work carried out as a result of the event will be paid for by the Event Organiser.</p>
3.6	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>There are no known implications.</p>
4.0	<p>Appendices – Documents Attached</p>
	<p>None</p>