

## **Service Level Agreement between Belfast City Council (BCC) & The Belfast Hills Partnership (BHP)**

This AGREEMENT made the **DATE** day of **MONTH** 2021

**BETWEEN:-**

- (1) BELFAST CITY COUNCIL (hereinafter referred to as BCC) of City Hall, Belfast, BT1 5GS; and**
- (2) THE BELFAST HILLS PARTNERSHIP (hereinafter referred to as BHP) of 9 Social Economy Village, Hannahstown Hill, Belfast, County Antrim BT17 0XS**

**WHEREAS:**

The BHP undertakes conservation work across the Belfast Hills (Belfast, Lisburn, Antrim & Newtownabbey) including litter picking operations. The purpose of this Agreement is to clarify the roles and responsibilities of each party hereto in the disposal of this litter at BCC facilities.

This Agreement shall commence on 1 October 2021 until the 30 September 2023 and may be extended thereafter by annual extensions for a further two years with the mutual written consent of both parties.

1. BCC will provide a disposal site for the litter collected from the BCC catchment area.
2. The primary site for disposal of this waste will be Blackstaff Household Recycling Centre (HRC), although alternative sites may be available upon request.
3. It is estimated that the waste amounts to 2-3 black bags per week, approx. 12 per month and this waste is generally disposed of at the site on a monthly basis.
4. BCC reserves the right to refuse waste which does not meet the criteria of litter waste, for example; industrial wastes (brick/rubble), hazardous waste e.g. asbestos, Japanese Knotweed etc. in such an event the onus is on BHP to source alternative disposal arrangements.
5. As this waste is categorised as litter the current legislation would deem this to be household waste and will therefore be permitted to the site free of charge.
6. No BHP office waste (commercial waste) is to be deposited at the site. Should this occur, BCC has the right to terminate this agreement with immediate effect.
7. The sites will be closed on a number of public holidays throughout the year. BHP will make alternative arrangements on these dates.

8. BHP staff will be required to adhere to all site regulations and instructions issued by BCC site staff and all present and future conditions of entry to site users. These include any temporary restrictions due to adherence to Coronavirus public health regulations and guidelines and in particular any reference to online booking of BHP van.
9. BCC and BHP will each appoint one point of contact as Project Officers. These personnel will ensure the SLA operates as anticipated and any issue are resolved promptly or escalated as required.
10. This SLA may be terminated by either party with a minimum of one month's notice.

**This Agreement has been signed on behalf of the parties hereto in the matter herein under appearing:**

Signed on behalf of Belfast City Council:

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Name: Brendan Murray

Position: Waste Manager (Service Planning & Delivery)

Signed on behalf of The Conservation Volunteers:

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Name: Dr Lizzy Pinkerton

Position: Landscape Partnership Scheme Manager