



Subject:	Request to film using a drone at Cave Hill Country Park
Date:	9 November 2021
Reporting Officer:	Ryan Black, Director of Neighbourhood Services
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Restricted Reports	
Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?	
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 purpose of the report is to advise Members that the Council has received a request from a company called Piranha Bar to film a commercial on behalf of Tourism NI at Cavehill Country Park, using a small unmanned aircraft / drone (SUA) during the week commencing 15 th November 2021 from 8am to 10am.
1.2	Members are advised that Council Officers are currently at the final stages of developing a new drones policy for the Council which, following consultation and agreement, will provide a framework for dealing with future drone flights request across the Council. In the interim all current requests are presented for consideration at Committee.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agree the request from Piranha Bar to film a commercial for Tourism NI using a SUA (Small Unmanned Aircraft/Drone) at Cavehill Country Park week commencing 15 November 2021 from 8am to 10am. however, note that due to timescale and

	<p>Council meeting that the decision of the committee will be implemented with immediate effect, subject to the organisers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resolving all operational issues to the Council's satisfaction; - Meeting all statutory requirements including Public Liability Insurance cover, Health and Safety, and licensing responsibilities; and - Adhering to Government Covid19 Regulations in place at the time of the event.
3.0	Main report
	<u>Key Issues</u>
3.1	Piranha Bar will be using the services of SUA Operator John McCreesh for the filming request. John McCreesh will be undertaking the drone filming of Belfast from Cavehill Country Park and has operational authorisation from the Civil Aviation Authority for this activity.
3.2	Piranha Bar wish to film a commercial for Tourism NI that will promote Belfast as a destination for people to visit.
	<u>Financial & Resource Implications</u>
3.3	The OS&SS Manager has no operational issues with these events and no additional staff are required.
	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u>
3.4	There are no known implications.
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None