## STRATEGIC POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE



Cubje	,01.	Request for Funding - Benast moor bowns olds					
Date:		17th December 2021					
Repo	orting Officer: Trevor Wallace, Head of Finance						
Contact Officer: Trevor Wallace, Head of Finance							
Restr	icted Reports						
Is this	s report restricted?		Yes	No.	X		
	If Yes, when will th	e report become unrestricted?					
After Committee Decision							
After Council Decision							
Sometime in the future							
	Never						
Call-i	n						
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?				<b>D</b>			
1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of main Issues						
1.1	The purpose of this report is to inform the Committee of a request for funding from the Belfast						
	Indoor Bowls Club.						
2.0	Recommendation						
2.1	The Committee is asked to consider the request for funding of up to £9,490.						
3.0	Main Report						
3.1	1 Belfast Indoor Bowls Club hosted the same event in March, 2017 and was successful receiving funding from the Council through the Support for Sport Grants Fund in the C						
	Events Unit. This was through an open call process, to which the club would have applied						
	been scored and assessed before award of grant. Unfortunately, no grant stream for Support						

	for Sport was opened in 2021/22 and, therefore, the club was not able to apply for grant funding.					
3.2	Belfast Indoor Bowls Club is now hosting the event in March 2022 and has written to the Council seeking financial assistance to help meet some of the costs associated with hosting the event. Any contribution from the Council would be recognised in the promotional material.					
3.3	The British Isles Indoor Bowls Council will provide a grant of £3,000 to the club to help offset the loss of green fees, which are estimated to be in the region of £5,500 to £6,000. The Club is also required to cover the remaining costs as set out below:					
	Hire of Tiered Seating	£2,240				
	First Aid – First aiders	£1,350				
	Advertising	£2,500				
	Promotional Material	£2,500				
	Subsistence for Volunteers/Stewards	£900				
	Total	£9,490				
3.4	There will be in the region of 350 competitors taking part and approximately 2,500 – 3,000 spectators over the 9-day event from the other nations creating a positive knock-on effect for tourism in the Belfast Area due to the need for overnight accommodation/meals, etc.					
3.5	The Committee is, therefore, asked to agree to fund up to the full amount of £9,490.					
	Financial and Resource Implications					
3.6	£9,490 which can be found within existing budgets.					
	Equality or Good Relations Implications / Rural Needs Assessment					
3.7	None					
4.0	Document Attached					
	Letter from Belfast Indoor Bowls					