

## City and Neighbourhood Services Department

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## City of Belfast International Rose Trials

Dear Sir/Madam

I am delighted to invite you to join the International Judging Panel for the 54<sup>th</sup> City of Belfast International Rose Trials on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

The Rose Trials are promoted as part of Rose Week, a major and popular annual event in Belfast. This year Rose Week runs from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019 to Sunday 21st July 2019.

The Rose Trials are organised by Belfast City Council in partnership with The Rose Society of Northern Ireland. Over 35,000 roses are planted in the rose garden at Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park creating one of Belfast's most colourful floral displays. The Rose Garden is the culmination of over five decades of rose growing and is among the finest in the world.

I hope you will be able to accept this invitation to join the International Judging Panel for this spectacular event. Please confirm your acceptance by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019 to Tracy Flaherty <u>flahertyt@belfastcity.gov.uk</u> or by calling Directorate Support 02890 320202. Ext 3662.

I can assure you of a warm welcome to Belfast and I am confident you will enjoy the splendid surroundings here along with our Northern Ireland hospitality. Should you wish to explore the surrounding area, more information can be found at <u>www.visitbelfast.com</u> or <u>www.discovernorthernireland.com</u> I look forward to welcoming you to Belfast. Please find enclosed Acceptance form and Itinerary.

Yours faithfully,

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