



<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Application for the Variation of 7-Day Annual Entertainments Licence for The Flint Hotel.</b>
<b>Date:</b>	16 October 2024
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Stephen Hewitt, Building Control Manager, Ext. 2435
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	Quintin Thompson, Senior Building Control Surveyor, Ext 2570

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

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues</b>						
1.1	<p>To consider an application for the variation of a 7-Day Annual Indoor Entertainments Licence for the hours during which entertainment may be provided at The Flint Hotel based on the Council's Standard Conditions to provide music, singing, dancing or any other entertainment of a like kind.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>Area and Location</b></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>Ref. No.</b></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>Applicant</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Flint Hotel 48 Howard Street Belfast BT1 6PG</td> <td>WK/202204429</td> <td>Victoria 1 Limited 12-13 Lower Crescent Belfast BT7 1NR</td> </tr> </table>	<b>Area and Location</b>	<b>Ref. No.</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	The Flint Hotel 48 Howard Street Belfast BT1 6PG	WK/202204429	Victoria 1 Limited 12-13 Lower Crescent Belfast BT7 1NR
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1.2	A location map is attached as Appendix 1.						
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>						
2.1	<p>Taking into account the information presented and any representations made in respect of the application you are required to make a decision to either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Approve the application for the variation of the 7-Day Annual Entertainments Licence to vary the hours during which entertainment may be provided as requested, or</li> <li>b) Approve the application for the variation with special conditions, or</li> <li>c) Refuse the application for the variation of the 7-Day Annual Entertainments Licence.</li> </ul>						
2.2	If an application is refused, or special conditions are attached to the licence to which the applicant does not consent, then the applicant may appeal the Council's decision within 21 days of notification of that decision to the County Court. In the case that the applicant subsequently decides to appeal, entertainment may not be provided to the later hours requested until any such appeal is determined.						
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main report</b>						
	<b><u>Key Issues</u></b>						
3.1	<p>The area currently Licensed to provide indoor entertainment and their maximum occupancies are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amelia Hall – 445 persons</li> </ul>						
3.2	<p>The days and hours during which entertainment may be provided under the terms of the current indoor Entertainments Licence are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday to Saturday: 11.30am to 1.00am the following morning,</li> <li>• Sunday: 12.30pm to midnight.</li> </ul>						
3.3	The variation application relates to a proposed extension to the hours during which entertainment can be provided to 2.00am the following morning every night of the week.						

3.4	Members are reminded that applications to provide indoor entertainment beyond 1.00am are subject to consideration by Committee.
3.5	The applicant has stated that the extension of hours to 2.00am is to allow more flexibility to provide late night music entertainment and this will be used in conjunction with the Article 44a extension to Liquor Licensing hours.
3.6	A layout plan for the premises is attached as Appendix 2.
	<b><u>Representations</u></b>
3.7	Public notice of the application has been placed in the newspaper and no written representation has been lodged as a result of the advertisement.
	<b><u>PSNI</u></b>
3.8	The Police Service of Northern Ireland have been consulted and have confirmed that they have no objection to the variation application.
3.9	A copy of their response is included as Appendix 3 to this report.
	<b><u>NIFRS</u></b>
3.10	The Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service have been consulted in relation to the application and has confirmed that they have no objection to the application.
	<b><u>Health, safety and welfare</u></b>
3.11	The premises has been subject to inspections as part of the licensing application process and all technical requirements and associated operational and management procedures have been checked and are satisfactory.
	<b><u>Noise</u></b>
3.12	This is a new premises which was granted an Entertainments Licence from 16 August 2024 and no noise complaints have been received by the Service since this date.
3.13	Members are reminded that the Clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act 2011 gives the council additional powers in relation to the control of entertainment noise after 11.00 pm.
	<b><u>Applicant</u></b>
3.14	The applicant, and/or their representative will be available at your meeting to answer any queries you may have in relation to the applications.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Financial &amp; Resource Implications</b>
4.1	None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</b>
5.1	There are no issues associated with this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b>

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Appendix 1 – Location maps</li><li>• Appendix 2 – Layout plans</li><li>• Appendix 3 – PSNI Response</li></ul> |
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