



Subject:	Application for the Grant of an Outdoor Entertainments Licence for Crusaders Football, Athletic & Sports Club
Date:	20 th May, 2015
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Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues						
1.1	To consider an application for the grant of a 14-day Occasional Outdoor Entertainments Licence for Crusaders Football, Athletic & Sports Club based on the Council's standard conditions to provide outdoor musical entertainment.						
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1.3	Members are advised that in accordance with the draft Standing Orders, adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Shadow Council on 24 th March, 2015 all applications for the grant of Outdoor Entertainments Licences shall be brought before Committee for your consideration.						
1.4	A copy of the Application form is attached as Appendix 1.						
1.5	A location map is attached as Appendix 2.						
2.0	Recommendations						
2.1	Taking into account the information presented and any representations made in respect of the application you are required to make a decision to either: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approve the application for the grant of the 14-day Occasional Outdoor Entertainments Licence, or2. Approve the application for the grant with special conditions, or						

2.2	<p>3. Refuse the application for the grant of the 14-day Occasional Outdoor Entertainments Licence.</p> <p>If the 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, outdoor entertainment may not be provided until any such appeal is determined.</p>
3.0	<p>Main report</p>
	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p>
3.1	<p>The standard days and hours for an Outdoor Entertainments Licence are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday to Sunday: 11.30am to 11.00pm.
3.2	<p>In addition, the following special conditions are usually attached to Outdoor Licences:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maximum numbers will be agreed at the discretion of the Building Control Service and will vary depending upon individual concert set up proposals. 2. Prior to any event taking place the promoters are required to demonstrate evidence of early consultation and have in place a robust system of dealing with any complaints, which has been agreed in advance with the Council. 3. Any requests to provide entertainment later than 11.00pm must be considered by the Licensing Committee and therefore must be made at least 3 months in advance of the proposed event. 4. Should an application to provide entertainment beyond 11.00pm be granted and the Council then receive a significant number of complaints regarding noise or the complaint is of such significant impact, authority is granted to the Director of Health and Environmental Services, in consultation with the Town Solicitor, to reduce the finishing time for any subsequent nights of the event, in which case the promoter will be required to make contingency arrangements.
3.3	<p>The purpose of the application is to facilitate the proposed Nathan Carter outdoor concert on 19th June 2015 on the football grounds. Nathan Carter will be supported by Hugo Duncan and his band. The concert is planned to start at 7.45pm and finish by 10.30pm.</p>
3.4	<p><u>Representations</u></p> <p>Public notices of the application have only recently been placed and therefore the statutory 28 day period, within which objections to the application must be considered, will not expire until 16th May 2015. No written representation has, as yet, been lodged as a result of the notices and you will be provided with an update on this situation at your meeting.</p>
3.5	<p><u>PSNI</u></p> <p>The PSNI has been consulted and has confirmed that they have no objection to the application. They have also attended a pre-event meeting with the applicant regarding the Nathan Carter event. The police will be consulted in advance of any other proposed event at the venue to consider traffic management and wider operational policing issues. A copy of their comments is attached as Appendix 3.</p>
3.6	<p><u>NIFRS</u></p> <p>The Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service, as with the PSNI and other partner agencies, will be invited to pre-event meetings and their views will be taken into consideration in advance of any planned event.</p>

	<p><u>Health, safety and welfare inspections</u></p> <p>3.7 Officers of the Service have met on several occasions with representatives of the club and their respective consultants regarding the planning of the proposed event. The meetings have been held to discuss all aspects of the event such as provisions to ensure the health, safety and welfare of those attending including determining a maximum safe capacity and exiting arrangements for the event.</p> <p>3.8 The Service will continue to engage with organisers and other interested parties to ensure that the appropriate documentation is developed and that all safety and technical requirements are met in advance of each specific event taking place.</p> <p>3.9 At the time of writing this report an appropriate Event Management Plan is being developed by the organiser following the submission of a draft plan. The organisers have advised that it is their intention to have this submitted by the time of your meeting.</p> <p><u>Noise Issues</u></p> <p>3.10 The Environmental Protection Unit (EPU) of the Department has been informed of the application and the proposed Nathan Carter event on the 19th June. As a result, they have also been involved in discussions with the organisers about the event and have attended a joint meeting to discuss their plans.</p> <p>3.11 As part of planning for the event a Noise Impact Assessment has been undertaken by the organisers and is currently being assessed by the unit. Comments regarding their assessment will be made available for your meeting.</p> <p>3.12 Another key issue in planning outdoor events is that of neighbourhood notification. This has been a central part of discussions with the organisers who have already notified residents of the area about the event on two occasions.</p> <p>3.13 The letters do not contain the specific detail about the event, such as the set-up and take down times and the running order; however, the organisers have confirmed that they will deliver another letter containing this information and will agree the content and extent of its delivery with Officers of the Service.</p> <p>3.14 The organisers have also advertised the event in local newspapers to promote the event and further inform residents.</p> <p>3.15 Copies of the letters already sent to residents are attached as Appendix 4.</p> <p>3.16 An Officer from EPU will be in attendance to answer any queries you may have.</p> <p><u>Applicant</u></p> <p>3.17 The applicant, or their representative, will be available at your meeting to answer any queries you may have in relation to the application.</p> <p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>3.18 Officers will be required to carry out inspections for each outdoor event and attend any planning meetings which are catered for within existing budgets.</p> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>3.19 There are no equality or good relations issues associated with this report.</p>
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4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appendix 1 – Application form• Appendix 2 – Location map• Appendix 3 – PSNI correspondence• Appendix 4 – Letters to residents