



Subject:	Application for Extended Hours – Orangefest Event, Woodvale Park
Date:	15th June, 2016
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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 a request from Woodvale and Cambrai Youth and Community Association to hold an outdoor musical event in Woodvale Park on 11th July 2016 and to permit entertainment to run beyond 11.00 pm to 1.00 am.
1.2	It is a standard condition of the Outdoor Entertainments Licence that all requests to operate beyond the permitted hours of entertainment must be considered by the Licensing Committee.
1.3	The event is part of the Association’s plan to hold a week long programme of cultural Orangefest celebrations in Woodvale Park from Monday 4th July to Monday 11th July 2016, culminating with a family event.
1.4	A location map is attached at Appendix 1.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	Taking into account the information presented and any representations received you are required to consider the request to extend the hours of entertainment and, subject to all technical requirements being met, either: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. agree if the event on the 11th July 2016 should be permitted to take place beyond the standard hours of licence to 1.00 am or;2. refuse to extend the hours as requested.

3.0	Main report
	<p data-bbox="244 241 400 277"><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p data-bbox="150 315 1420 479">3.1 Members are advised that a Seven-day Annual Outdoor Entertainments Licence and a Seven-day Annual Licence for a Marquee has been granted for Woodvale Park and both have been used to hold events in the past. The licences are held by the Parks Service of the City and Neighbourhood Services Department and are transferred to the organisers for the duration of their event.</p> <p data-bbox="150 517 1420 584">3.2 The days and hours during which entertainment may be provided both outdoors and in a marquee are Monday to Sunday from 11.30 am to 11.00 pm.</p> <p data-bbox="150 622 1420 689">3.3 In addition, the following special conditions are attached to both the Marquee and Outdoor licence:</p> <ol data-bbox="261 719 1342 1285" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="261 719 1342 786">1. maximum numbers will be agreed at the discretion of the Building Control Service and will vary depending upon individual concert set up proposals; <li data-bbox="261 815 1342 920">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; <li data-bbox="261 949 1342 1055">3. any requests to provide entertainment later than 23:00hrs must be considered by the Licensing Committee and therefore must be made at least 3 months in advance of the proposed event; and <li data-bbox="261 1084 1342 1285">4. should the Council receive a significant number of noise complaints for any event which has successive nights of entertainment permitted beyond 23:00hrs or if a complaint about an event beyond 23:00 hrs is of major concern, then those successive nights with later hours may be subject to reduction and the promoter should have appropriate arrangements in place should this occur. <p data-bbox="150 1323 1420 1420">3.4 The organisers have not yet finalised the running order for the event but they have confirmed that the week long programme is designed around interventions and seeks to engage local youths and the community in activity such as midnight soccer.</p> <p data-bbox="150 1458 1420 1554">3.5 The final day will see Woodvale Park play host to a family fun day celebration, which will consist of live entertainment being held within the park from a stage area. The event will also consist of bouncy castles, face painting and other similar activities.</p> <p data-bbox="150 1592 1420 1688">3.6 The organisers have requested that the Committee give consideration to permitting the last night of their week long programme of celebrations on 11th July 2016 to run beyond 11.00 pm to 1.00 am.</p> <p data-bbox="150 1727 1420 1823">3.7 As this is not an application to vary the terms of the outdoor licence but a request for Council's permission to extend the hours under an existing licence condition, there is no requirement for public advertisement in this case.</p> <p data-bbox="150 1861 1420 1957">3.8 The Committee has granted extensions beyond the standard hours of 11.00 pm for other events, most recently in May for Feile An Phobail in Falls Park and at in April for the Belfast City Blues Festival in Writer's Square.</p>

Event Documentation

3.9 The Service has not yet received event documentation for the cultural event. However, officers are currently liaising with the Council's Parks representatives and organisers to ensure that all technical requirements will be met and work is ongoing in this regard.

PSNI

3.10 The PSNI has been consulted and has confirmed that it has no objections to the event or request to provide entertainment to 1.00 am. It has also advised officers that the organisers have already engaged with them regarding the week long cultural event and have done so in previous years.

3.11 The PSNI has found the organisers to be responsible and organised and further advised that the event helps ease tension in the area. The PSNI will also be invited to all meetings associated with the event. A copy of its correspondence is attached at Appendix 3.

Health, Safety and Welfare Issues

3.12 Officers from the Service have recently engaged with the Council's Parks Service and the organisers. Over the coming weeks leading up to the event, we will continue to engage and work with the organisers to ensure that all technical matters regarding the health, safety and welfare of patrons are in place for the event.

3.13 The Service will holding meetings before the event with all agencies and relevant personnel to ensure agreed measures are in place for the event.

NIFRS

3.14 The Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service has been consulted in relation to the event and have confirmed that it has no objections. It will also be invited to attend any meetings associated with the event.

Noise Issues

3.15 The Environmental Protection Unit (EPU) has been consulted in relation to the event and the request to operate on the last night to 1.00 am. It has confirmed that it has no particular concerns with the request or event being proposed.

3.16 EPU is supportive of all events aimed at improving the attractiveness and diversity of the City and communities. It is committed to working with organisers to ensure events are successful and to achieve a balance between the rights of residents, the event, the promotion of the city and the wider benefits to the local economy.

3.17 An appropriate noise report will be developed in conjunction with the Council's Parks Service. The Unit has also confirmed that it is happy to review and work with Officers and the organisers to ensure noise break out and disturbance is kept to a minimum and that the agreed noise limit is in line with the relevant Code of Practice.

3.18 Members are reminded that the Clean Neighbourhood And Environment Act 2011 gives councils additional powers in relation to the control of entertainment noise after 11.00pm.

3.19 As part of the special conditions of the Entertainments Licence the organisers need to consult with residents of the area via an appropriate resident's notification letter. Officers will approve this letter and agree the extent of its delivery with the organisers to distribute and will also require a robust system for dealing with any complaints to be put in place.

<p>3.20</p>	<p><u>Applicant / Organisers</u></p> <p>Representatives from the Council's Parks Service will be available at your meeting to answer any queries you may have in relation to the application.</p>
<p>3.21</p>	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>Officers will be required to carry out inspections at the event but this is catered for within existing budgets.</p>
<p>3.22</p>	<p><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>There are no equality or good relations issues associated with this report.</p>

<p>4.0</p>	<p>Documents Attached</p> <p>Appendix 1 – Application Form</p> <p>Appendix 2 – Location map</p> <p>Appendix 3 – PSNI correspondence</p>
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