



Subject:	Application for the Grant of a Seven-day Annual Entertainments Licence - Hawthorn Bar, 1-3 Hawthorn Street
Date:	14th December, 2016
Reporting Officer:	Stephen Hewitt, Building Control Manager, ext. 2435
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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	<p>To consider an application for the grant of a Seven-day Annual Entertainments Licence for the Hawthorn Bar, based on the Council's standard conditions to provide music, singing, dancing or any other entertainment of a like kind where objections have been received.</p> <table border="0"><tr><td>Premises and Location</td><td>Ref. No.</td><td>Applicant</td></tr><tr><td>Hawthorn Bar 1-3 Hawthorn Street Belfast BT12 7AQ</td><td>WK/201602055</td><td>Mr. Philip McCann 84 Glen Road, Belfast BT11 8BU</td></tr></table>	Premises and Location	Ref. No.	Applicant	Hawthorn Bar 1-3 Hawthorn Street Belfast BT12 7AQ	WK/201602055	Mr. Philip McCann 84 Glen Road, Belfast BT11 8BU
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1.2	Members are advised that the premises has never previously held an Entertainments Licence.						
2.0	Recommendations						
2.1	As the objections against the application were received outside the 28-day statutory period, you are required to determine if you wish to exercise your discretion to consider them and, if so, give the objectors and the applicant an opportunity of appearing before and being heard by the Committee.						
2.2	If you decide not to take the objections into account, then the application will be dealt with under the Scheme of Delegation.						
2.3	Should you exercise your discretion, you are required to receive the persons who made the representations, the applicant, and/or their representatives at a future meeting and, after having received their submissions, make a recommendation regarding the application.						

3.0	Main Report
	<p data-bbox="252 226 408 255"><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p data-bbox="150 293 1437 389">3.1 As a result of the public notices of application, written representation objecting to the application has been received. One petition with 10 signatures was received outside of the 28-day statutory period.</p> <p data-bbox="150 427 1437 658">3.2 The petition is from residents of Cavendish Street. The nature of the objections relate to the following:</p> <ul data-bbox="284 528 1437 658" style="list-style-type: none"> • the premises is situated in a highly populated residential area. • the premises already offers live entertainment without a licence. • the number of patrons, music and taxis already create an unacceptable, problematic amount of noise in this residential area. <p data-bbox="150 696 1437 831">3.3 In their letter, the objectors further advise that they have met with the applicant, one of his employees and community representatives to discuss the above issues along with other members of the community, the PSNI and the Council. However, many of the issues have not yet been resolved, despite promises made by the applicant.</p> <p data-bbox="150 869 1437 927">3.4 The objectors also state that granting a licence will not only add to the current problems and issues concerned but will create further issues.</p> <p data-bbox="150 965 1437 1023">3.5 Under the terms of the Order, the Committee, when considering an application, must have regard to any representation which is received inside the 28 day statutory period.</p> <p data-bbox="150 1061 847 1090">3.6 A copy of the petition of objection is attached.</p> <p data-bbox="252 1128 767 1158"><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p data-bbox="150 1196 331 1225">3.7 None.</p> <p data-bbox="252 1263 815 1292"><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p data-bbox="150 1330 331 1359">3.8 None.</p>
4.0	Documents Attached
	Petition of Objection