



Subject:	Applications for the Renewal of Indoor Entertainments Licences with Previous Convictions – Glenowen Inn/Voodoo	
Date:	9th November, 2017	
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Call-in Is the decision eligible for Call-in? Yes

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues				
1.1	To consider applications for Entertainments Licences where the applicant has been convicted of an offence under the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions (NI) Order 1985 (the Order) within the previous five years.				
2.0	Recommendations				
2.1	Taking into account the information presented, you are required to consider the applications and to:-				
	1. approve the applications, or				
	 should you be of a mind to refuse any of the applications, or approve any applications with additional special conditions, an opportunity of appearing before and of being heard by the Committee must be given to the applicants. 				

3.0	Main Report					
	Key Issues					
3.1	The Committee is reminded that the normal process for dealing with Entertainments Licence applications which are not the subject of objections is that the licence will be granted as provided for in the Council's Scheme of Delegation.					
3.2	However, as each applicant has been found guilty of committing an offence within five years of the application for a licence being submitted to the Council, you are required to consider the following applications.					
	Premises and Location	Applicant	Application Type	Offence Details	Date of Conviction and Penalty	
				4 November 2011		
	Voodoo 9-11 Fountain Street Belfast BT1 5ED	Phoenix Wine and Spirits Store Limited	Renewal	Locked Fire exit Obstructed means of escape. Pre-entertainment checks had not been completed prior to entertainment taking place	4th September 2012 £270 and ordered to pay court costs of £69	
	The Glenowen Inn 108 Glen Road Belfast, BT11 8BH	The Keg Company (N.I.) Limited	Renewal	October 2015 A rear exit was blocked by combustible materials, including a table, music equipment and speakers. The rear exit alleyway was also partially obstructed by a parked vehicle. A number of exit signs were not operational. The Log Book for recording pre-event checks was not completed.	24th May 2016 £600 and £66 Court costs	

3.3	Notwithstanding the possibility of refusing an Entertainments Licence on any other grounds, the Council may refuse an application on the grounds that the applicant has been convicted of an offence under the Order.
	Application History
3.4	Previous applications for the aforementioned premises were considered by the Committee as follows:
	Voodoo
3.5	This is the fourth time an application for the premises has been considered by the Committee since the applicant was convicted on 4th September, 2012.
3.6	Three previous renewal applications have been considered by the Committee on 14th December, 2016, 16th September, 2015 and 21st August, 2013 and, after consideration, you agreed to renew the Entertainments Licence on each occasion.
3.7	Since you last considered the application, the premises have been subject to two further during performance inspections as well as a renewal inspection to ensure that there has been no recurrence of these or any other safety issues and we have found that management procedures are being implemented effectively.
	The Glenowen Inn
3.9	This is the second time that an application for the premises has been considered by the Committee since the applicant was convicted on 24th May, 2016.
3.10	The previous application was considered by the Committee on 10th November, 2016 and, after consideration, you agreed to renew the Entertainments Licence.
3.11	Since you last considered the application the premises have been subject to two further during performance inspections as well as a renewal inspection to ensure that there has been no recurrence of these or any other safety issues and we have found that management procedures are being implemented effectively.
	<u>Representations</u>
3.12	Public notice of the applications has been placed and no written representations have been lodged as a result of the advertisements.
	<u>PSNI</u>
3.13	The PSNI has been consulted and has confirmed that it has no objections to the applications. A copy of its correspondence is attached at Appendices 1A and 1B.
	<u>NIFRS</u>
3.14	The Northern Ireland Fire Rescue Service has been consulted in relation to each of the applications and has confirmed that it has no objections.

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	Applicants
3.15	The applicants and/or their representatives will be available at your meeting to answer any queries you may have in relation to their applications. Copies of the respective application forms for the premises are attached at Appendix 2A and 2B.
	Financial and Resource Implications
3.16	Officers carry out during performance inspections on premises providing entertainment which is catered for within existing budgets.
	Equality and Good Relations Implications
3.17	There are no equality or good relations issues associated with this report.
4.0	Documents Attached
	Appendices 1A and 1B – PSNI Correspondence
	Appendices 2A and 2B – Application Forms