LICENSING COMMITTEE



Subje	Subject: Applications for the Renewal of Entertainments Licences wi								
Date:		17th October, 2018							
Repor	ting Officer:	Stephen Hewitt, Building Control Manager, ext. 2435							
Conta	ct Officer:	Fiona Millen, Building Control Surveyor, Ext. 2572							
Restric	cted Reports								
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Call-in									
Is the c	decision eligible	for Call-in?	Yes		No	X			
1.0	Purpose of Re	port or 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	Recommenda	tions							
2.1		Taking into account the information presented, you are required to consider the applications and to:-							
	 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 Members are 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.
- 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.

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Premises and Location	Applicant	Application Type	Offence Details	Date of Conviction & Penalty
Flame Restaurant 46 Howard Street, Belfast, BT1 6PG	Charlotte Smyth	Renewal	July 2014 Entertainment without a Licence	3rd February 2015 £150 and £69 Court costs
Red Devil Bar 194-198 Falls Road Belfast, BT12 6AG	EMC Properties (NI) Limited	Renewal	November 2012 Locked roller shutter on a final exit and the Log book for pre-event checks was unavailable for inspection.	11th February 2014 £500 and £69 Court costs

3.4 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.

3.5 Application history

Previous applications for the aforementioned premises were considered by the Committee as follows:

3.6 Flame Restaurant

This is the fifth time an application for the premises has been considered since the applicant was convicted on 3 February 2015. Previous applications have been brought before the Licensing Committee on 17 September 2014, 21 October 2015, 17 August 2016 and 18 October 2017 and, after consideration, you agreed to renew the licence.

3.7 Since the previous renewal, the premises have been subject to one during performance inspection as well as the renewal inspection to ensure that there has been no recurrence of

the previous issue or any other safety issues and we have found that management procedures are being implemented effectively.

3.8 Red Devil Bar

This is also the fifth time an application for the premises has been has been considered since the applicant was convicted on 11 February 2014. Previous applications have been brought before the Licensing Committee on 17 September 2014, 21 October 2015 and 19 October 2016 and 18 October 2017 and, after consideration, you agreed to renew the licence.

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3.9 Representations

Public notice of the applications have been placed and no written representations have been lodged as a result of the advertisements.

3.10 | PSNI

The PSNI has been consulted and has confirmed that they have no objections to the applications.

3.11 | NIFRS

The Northern Ireland Fire Rescue Service has been consulted in relation to each of the applications and confirmed that they have no objections.

3.12 Applicants

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 as Appendix 2.

3.13 | Financial and Resource Implications

Officers carry out during performance inspections on premises providing entertainment which is catered for within existing budgets.

3.14 Equality and Good Relations Implications

There are no equality or good relations issues associated with this report.

4.0 Documents Attached

- Appendix 1 PSNI Correspondence
- Appendix 2 Application Forms