

# Place and Economy Department

## Building Control

Our reference: WK/202001572

Being dealt with by: Quintin Thompson

Your reference:

Ext: 07711022146

Date: 30th September 2021

Mr Richard Weir,

Dear Mr Weir,

### ***ENTERTAINMENTS LICENSING – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OBJECTION*** **Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985**

#### **RE: Boucher Road Playing Fields, Boucher Road, Belfast, BT12 6E**

Thank you for your email of September 29th in respect of representations you wish to make in connection with the Renewal of an entertainments licence for the aforementioned premises. As the objection was not received within the statutory 28-day period from the date of application being made the Council are not bound to consider it.

The Licensing Committee, which deals with all matters relating to objections to Entertainments Licences, has a discretionary power to consider your representation and in doing so will take the following into account:

- Does the representation provide substantially different additional information to that already contained within representations that have been received within the 28-day period;
- How far outside the 28-day period were the representations received;
- The proximity of the objectors to the premises;
- The number of other representations received outside the 28-day period;
- Whether any other material considerations would warrant consideration of the objection;

In order to progress the matter the Committee must first be provided with a reasonable explanation, in writing, by you as to why your representation was not made within the 28-day period. You should also include any additional information, in line with the points outlined above, to assist the Committee in deciding if it should consider your objection.

I must also inform you that the applicant will receive a copy of your email. However, all details identifying you as the objector will be removed to ensure your anonymity at this stage. Unless I hear from you within 5 days I will assume you have no problem with this process.

In the interim, it is proposed that a meeting between you and the applicant is held to try and reach a solution to your problems. If we achieve a satisfactory outcome for all parties concerned then the application will be placed before the Licensing Committee with a recommendation that the licence be granted subject to special conditions (if any) which may be agreed arising from the meeting.

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If we are unable to arrive at a solution that satisfies all the parties concerned the matter will then be referred to the Licensing Committee at their monthly meeting to consider the application.

I would be grateful if you could indicate your willingness to attend a meeting with the applicant which will be facilitated by the Council. Should you intend to bring any other representatives with you please note that a maximum of three persons may attend. I wish to advise you that participating in this meeting will in no way diminish the objection you have lodged.

Should you require any further information on this matter please contact the surveyor noted at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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