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Belfast City Council
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5<sup>th</sup> December, 2025

#### MEETING OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

Dear Alderman/Councillor,

The above-named Committee will meet in the Lavery Room, City Hall and remotely via Teams on Wednesday, 10th December, 2025 at 5.15 pm, for the transaction of the business noted below.

You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,

John Walsh

Chief Executive

#### AGENDA:

#### 1. Routine Matters

- (a) Apologies
- (b) Minutes
- (c) Declarations of Interest

#### 2. **Delegated Matters**

- (a) Licences Issued Under Delegated Authority (Pages 1 4)
- (b) Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO) Licences Issued under Delegated Authority (Pages 5 8)
- (c) Provisional Grant of an Amusement Permit for 51 Rosemary Street
- (d) Objection to the Renewal of an Entertainments Licence for Shaftesbury Bowling Club (Pages 9 40)

# Agenda Item 2a

LICENSING COMMITTEE



Subject:	Licences Issued Under Delegated Authorit	.y			
Date:	Date: 10 December 2025				
Reporting Officer:	Kate Bentley, Director of Planning & Building	Control, ext	. 2300		
Contact Officer:	Stephen Hipkins, Building Control Manager, E	Ext. 2435			
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#### Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues

1.1 Under the Scheme of Delegation, the Director of Planning and Building Control is responsible for exercising all powers in relation to the issue, but not refusal, of Permits and Licences, excluding provisions relating to the issue of Licences where adverse representations have been made.

#### 2.0 Recommendations

2.1 The Committee is requested to note the applications that have been issued under the Scheme of Delegation.

#### 3.0 Main report

#### Key Issues

3.1 Under the terms of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 the following Entertainments Licences were issued since your last meeting.

Premises and Location	Type of Application	Applicant
39 Gordon St, 2-14 Dunbar Street, Belfast, BT1 2LH	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Lawrence Bannon, Carlisle Inns Ltd
Bullhouse East, 442-446 Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 1HJ	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Karson Browne, Bullhouse Bar Company
C.S Lewis Square, Holywood Arches, Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 1HE	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Stephen Leonard, BCC City and Neighbourhoods Department
Caulfields, 685 Springfield Road, Belfast, BT12 7FP	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Tony Clarke
Chester Bar, 466 Antrim Road, Belfast, BT15 5GE	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Lawrence Bannon, Chester Inns Ltd
CIYMS, Ciyms Club House, 91-93 Circular Road, Belfast, BT4 2GD	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Chris Shields
Common Market, 16-20 Dunbar Street, Belfast, BT1 2NG	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Alana Fox, Carlisle Inns Ltd
Crumlin Road Gaol Visitor Attraction & Conference Centre, 53- 55 Crumlin Road, Belfast, BT14 6ST	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Phelim Devlin, Belfast Tours Limited
Empire Social Club, 337a Donegall Road, Belfast, BT12 6FQ	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Alan McCabe
Hibernian Sports and Social Club, 71 Falls Road, Belfast, BT12 4PD	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Gerry McCloskey
Ligoniel and District Homing Pigeon Club, 46a Glenbank Place, Belfast, BT14 8AN	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	William Waite

Premises and Location	Type of Application	Applicant
Mountainview Tavern, 417- 421 Shankill Road, Belfast, BT13 3AG	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Wilson McArthur, Mountainview Tavern Enterprises Ltd
Northern Whig House, 2-4 Bridge Street, Belfast, BT1 1LU	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Stephen Magorrian, Northern Whig Trading Limited
RAOB Headquarters Club and Institute, 17 Church Street, Belfast, BT1 1PG	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Robert Jameson
Shu Restaurant, 253-255 Lisburn Road, Belfast, BT9 7EN	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Alan Reid, Fine-Foods Limited
The Marcus Ward, 1 Bankmore Square, Belfast, BT7 1DH	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Lawrence Bannon, Tobar Inns Ltd
The Thirsty Goat Bar & 21 Social, 1 Hill Street, Belfast, BT1 2LA	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Henry Downey, Eagle-Glen Limited
West Belfast Sports And Social Club, 370 Falls Road, Belfast, BT12 6DG	Renewal - 7 Day Annual	Brendan O Neill

- 3.2 Under the terms of the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 no Amusement Permits were issued since your last meeting.
- 3.3 Under the terms of the Cinemas (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 no Cinema Licences were issued since your last meeting.
- 3.4 Under the terms of the Petroleum Consolidation Act 1929 the following Petroleum Licences were issued since your last meeting.

Premises and Location	Type of Application	Applicant
Belmont Service Station, 119-125 Holywood Road, Belfast, BT4 3BE	Renewal Application	Frank Melia, The Maxol Group

3.5 Under the terms of the Street Trading Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 the following Street Trading Licences were issued since your last meeting.

Location	Type of Application	Commodity	Hours Licensed	Applicant
Firths Foods, Site #14, Falcon Road, Belfast	Grant - Stationary	Hot and cold food and beverages	Mon – Fri 07:00 – 15:00 Saturday 08:00 – 13:00	Daniel Smith
Town and Country Catering, Outside Marks And Spencers, 48 Donegall Place, Belfast	Grant - Temporary	Hot and cold beverages and bakery products	Sun 16 November 2025 07:00 – 12:00	Stephen Baxter

3.6 Under the terms of the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 the following Road Closure Orders were issued since your last meeting.

Location	Type of Activity	Date and Hours permitted	Applicant
2025 Moy Park Belfast City 5K Fun Run East Bridge Street, May Street, Verner Street, Oxford Street, Ann Street, Queen's Bridge, Donegall Quay, High Street, Victoria Street, Corporation Street, Dunbar Link, Nelson Street, Great Patrick Street, York Street, Donegall Street, Academy Street, Curtis Street, Exchange Street, Waring Street, Library Street, Kent Street, North Street, High Street, Royal Avenue, Castle Place, Donegall Place, Talbot Street, Carrick Hill, Millfield, College Avenue, Fisherwick Place, Brunswick Street, Bedford Street, James Street South, Linenhall Street, Adelaide Street, Joy Street, Montgomery Street, Upper Arthur Street, Seymour Street, Gloucester Street, Upper Queen Street, Wellington Street, Donegall Square East, Donegall Square West, Chichester Street, Upper Church Lane	City Centre 1K & 5K Run	Sunday 16 November 2025 04:00 – 11:30	Matthew McConnell, Belfast City Marathon
Seeley Cup 10k Road Race Ormeau Embankment, Ormeau Road	Club Run	Saturday 29 November 2025 14:00 – 16:00	Rebecca Crossley, Willowfield Harriers

3.7 Under the terms of the Licensing of Pavement Cafés Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 no Pavement Café Licences were issued since your last meeting.

#### 3.8 Financial & Resource Implications

None.

### 3.9 Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment

There are no issues associated with this report.

# Agenda Item 2b

LICENSING COMMITTEE



Sub	ject:	Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO) Licenses Issued Under Delegated Authority			
Date	):	10 December 2025			
Rep	orting Officer:	Kevin Bloomfield, NIHMO Manager			
Con	tact Officers:	Kevin Bloomfield, NIHMO Manager Helen Morrissey, City Protection Manager			
Rest	ricted Reports				
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1.0	1.0 Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues				
1.1	1.1 Under the Scheme of Delegation, the Director of City & Neighbourhood Services Department is responsible for exercising all powers in relation to the issue and variation, but not refusal, of HMO Licences, excluding provisions relating to the issue of HMO Licences where adverse representations have been made. Those applications which were dealt with under the Scheme are listed below.				
2.0	Recommendation	ns			
2.1	The Committee is requested to note the applications that have been issued under the Scheme of Delegation during November 2025.				

# 3.0 Main report

# Key Issues

3.1 Under the terms of the Houses in Multiple Occupation Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 the following HMO Licences were issued during November 2025.

			Housing Management	Licence Type
Premise Name	Licensee	Ward	Areas (HMAs)	1 )   0
Flat 2, 15 Malone	Mr Stephen		EGLANTINE HMA	Renewal
Avenue	Hagan	WINDSOR	2/09	Application
Flat 1, 15 Malone	Mr Stephen		EGLANTINE HMA	Renewal
Avenue	Hagan	WINDSOR	2/09	Application
			ULSTERVILLE	Renewal
159 Dunluce Avenue	Mr Martin King	WINDSOR	HMA 2/21	Application
			EDINBURGH ST	Renewal
16 Tates Avenue	Mr Daniel Hogg	WINDSOR	HMA 2/08	Application
			SANDYMOUNT	Renewal
34 Sandymount Street	Mrs Miriam Duffy	STRANMILLIS	HMA 2/17	Application
	Mr Charles		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
29 Agincourt Avenue	Corcoran	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
	Bearwood Warley		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
117 Agincourt Avenue	Limited	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
Apartment 3, 100			EGLANTINE HMA	Renewal
Malone Avenue	Mrs Monica Yarr	WINDSOR	2/09	Application
Apartment 2, 100			EGLANTINE HMA	Renewal
Malone Avenue	Mrs Monica Yarr	WINDSOR	2/09	Application
Apartment 1, 100			EGLANTINE HMA	Renewal
Malone Avenue	Mrs Monica Yarr	WINDSOR	2/09	Application
			ULSTERVILLE	New
8 Ashley Mews	Mr Barry Moore	WINDSOR	HMA 2/21	Application
			STRANMILLIS	Renewal
43 Elaine Street	Mr John Martin	CENTRAL	HMA 2/19	Application
			STRANMILLIS	Renewal
31 Elaine Street	Mr John Martin	CENTRAL	HMA 2/19	Application
	Mrs Linda			Renewal
23 Malone Place	Thompson	BLACKSTAFF	NONE	Application
	Mr Robert		STRANMILLIS	Renewal
33 Colenso Parade	Jackson	CENTRAL	HMA 2/19	Application
			STRANMILLIS	Renewal
3 Sandhurst Drive	Mr Alan Wilson	STRANMILLIS	HMA 2/20	Application
			SANDYMOUNT	Renewal
44 St Albans Gardens	Mr Gerard Lundy	STRANMILLIS	HMA 2/17	Application
			EGLANTINE HMA	Renewal
105 Wellesley Avenue	Dr Robert Coburn	WINDSOR	2/09	Application
			STRANMILLIS	Renewal
30 Sandhurst Drive	Mrs Patricia Byrne	STRANMILLIS	HMA 2/19	Application
			STRANMILLIS	Renewal
5 Sandhurst Drive	Mrs Patricia Byrne	STRANMILLIS	HMA 2/19	Application
	Mr Martin		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
76 University Avenue	McVeigh	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
			STRANMILLIS	Renewal
28 Sandhurst Drive	Mrs Patricia Byrne	STRANMILLIS	HMA 2/19	Application
Flat 2, 21 Camden				
Street Belfast Antrim			FITZWILLIAM	Renewal
BT9 6AT	Mr John McGrane	WINDSOR	HMA 2/10	Application

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Flat 1, 21 Camden				
Street Belfast Antrim			FITZWILLIAM	Renewal
BT9 6AT	Mr John McGrane	WINDSOR	HMA 2/10	Application
Flat 4, 42 Ulsterville			ULSTERVILLE	New
Avenue	Koyah Limited	WINDSOR	HMA 2/21	Application
Flat 3, 42 Ulsterville			ULSTERVILLE	New
Avenue	Koyah Limited	WINDSOR	HMA 2/21	Application
	Mrs Christine		ULSTERVILLE	Renewal
3 Ashley Mews	McGuigan	WINDSOR	HMA 2/21	Application
			HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
31 Palestine Street	Mr Peter O'Hare	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
	Botanic Avenue		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
Flat 2, 14 Ireton Street	Properties Limited	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
	Botanic Avenue		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
Flat 1, 14 Ireton Street	Properties Limited	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
Flat 6, 90 University	Ms Siobhan		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
Street	McCreesh	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
			HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
25 Palestine Street	Mr Peter O'Hare	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
	Mr Christopher		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
123 Agincourt Avenue	Neely	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
				New
38 Clonelly Avenue	Paul Braniff	SHAW'S ROAD	NONE	Application
-	Mrs Mary		STRANMILLIS	Renewal
12 Stranmillis Gardens	McIntyre	CENTRAL	HMA 2/19	Application
			STRANMILLIS	Renewal
3 Riverview Street	Mr Declan Boyle	STRANMILLIS	HMA 2/19	Application
	•		STRANMILLIS	Renewal
45 Ridgeway Street	Mr Declan Boyle	STRANMILLIS	HMA 2/19	Application
Flat B, 3 Lawrence	,		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
Street	Mr Shane O'Hare	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
Flat 2, 96 Malone		-	EGLANTINE HMA	Renewal
Avenue	Mrs Claire Little	WINDSOR	2/09	Application
			STRANMILLIS	New
33 Landseer Street	Mr Richard Smyth	CENTRAL	HMA 2/19	Application
Flat 2, 5 Lawrence			HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
Street	Mr Shane O'Hare	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
		-	HOLYLAND HMA	New
94 Agincourt Avenue	Ms Edel Lambon	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
9			EDINBURGH ST	Renewal
102 Tates Avenue	Mrs Briege Daly	WINDSOR	HMA 2/08	Application
	- 3		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
59 Jerusalem Street	Mr Declan Boyle	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
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18 Agincourt Street	Mr Declan Boyle	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
			ULSTERVILLE	Renewal
158 Dunluce Avenue	Ms Siobhan Small	WINDSOR	HMA 2/21	Application
	Mrs Pauline		HOLYLAND HMA	New
21 Palestine Street	Blaney	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
	Mrs Pauline		HOLYLAND HMA	New
5 Damascus Street	Blaney	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
			HOLYLAND HMA	New
56 Fitzroy Avenue	Mr Nathan Oliver	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
			ULSTERVILLE	New
97 Dunluce Avenue	Mr Neil McVeigh	WINDSOR	HMA 2/21	Application
Apartment 2, 80 Rugby	Kilmore Property		HOLYLAND HMA	New
Avenue	Ltd	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
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l		Urcher Stores		EGLANTINE HMA	New
İ	81 Wellesley Avenue	Limited	WINDSOR	2/09	Application
	•	Mr John Shane		HOLYLAND HMA	Renewal
	Flat 2, 4 Eblana Street	McKeever	CENTRAL	2/22	Application
	Flat 2 19 Ulsterville			ULSTERVILLE	Renewal
	Avenue	Mr Gareth Gibson	WINDSOR	HMA 2/21	Application

## **Financial & Resource Implications**

3.2 None

# **Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment**

3.3 There are no issues associated with this report.

# Agenda Item 2d

LICENSING COMMITTEE



Subject:	Consideration of an objection to an application for the Renewal of an Entertainments Licence for Shaftesbury Bowling and Recreation Club			
Date:	10 December 2025			
Reporting Officer:	Kate Bentley, Director of Planning and Building Control, Ext. 2300			
Contact Officer:	Stephen Hipkins, Building Control Manager, Ext. 2435			
Restricted Reports				
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If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?  After Committee Decision After Council Decision Sometime in the future Never				
Call-in				
Is the decision eligible	for Call-in?			

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of Main Issues		
1.1	To consider an application for the Renewal of a 6-Day Annual Indoor Entertainments Licence for Shaftesbury Bowling and Recreation Club based on the Council's standard conditions to provide music, singing, dancing or any other entertainment of a like kind.		
1.2	Premises and Location Shaftesbury Bowling and Recreation Club, 20A Annadale Avenue, Belfast BT7 3JJ  Ref. No. WK/2022/05254 WK/2022/05254 Nuala Hayden, C/O 20A Annadale Avenue, Belfast BT7 3JJ  Belfast BT7 3JJ		
1.3	A location map of the premises is attached as Appendix 1.		
1.4	Members are reminded that Committee, at its meeting on 21st June 2023, heard representations from the Licensee and objectors in relation to the application to renew the 2023 licence.		
1.5	After that meeting, further communications took place with the applicant and objectors.		
1.6	The outcome of communications was to no longer pursue the objection to that application.		
1.7	Under the Scheme of Delegation, the Director of Planning and Building Control is responsible for exercising all powers in relation to the issue of Permits and Licences, except where adverse representations have been made.		
1.8	As the issues raised by the objectors were resolved, the entertainments licence was issued under the delegated authority of the Director for the period 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2024 to 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2025.		
1.9	The application for the renewal of the 2025/2026 licence was received on 28 January 2025. In advance of the application being received, representations to the renewal of the licence was received from one objector.		
1.10	Further communication was then received from the objector within the 28-day period confirming they still wished to object to the application.		
1.11	Public notice of the application has been placed and no additional objections were received.		
2.0	Recommendations		
2.1	Considering the information presented and representations received in respect of the application you are required to make a decision to either:  1. Approve the application for the Renewal of the 6-Day Annual Entertainments		
	Licence, or  2. Approve the application for the Renewal of the 6-Day Annual Entertainments Licence with special conditions, or  3. Refuse the application for the Renewal of the 6-Day Annual Entertainments Licence.		

- 2.2 If the application is refused, or special conditions are attached to the licence to which the applicant does not consent, then the applicant may appeal the Council's decision within 21 days of notification of that decision to the County Court.
- 2.3 If the application is refused and an appeal is lodged entertainment may not be provided during the appeal period.

#### 3.0 Main report

#### **Key Issues**

- 3.1 An objection has been received from local residents living near the Club. The nature of their objections relates to the following:
  - Ongoing loud music on a Tuesday night and occasionally at weekends
- 3.2 A copy of the objection is attached as Appendix 2.

#### **Liaison meetings**

- Following receipt of the objection the Service offered to facilitate a liaison meeting between both parties to discuss the residents' issues and attempt to resolve them.
- 3.4 The offer of the meeting was acceptable to the club but as the objector had met with members of the Club Committee and an Officer from the Service on 11 November 2022 in relation to the previous renewal application they did not wish to repeat the exercise, indicating there was nothing new to discuss and nothing had changed in relation to their complaint.
- As required by the Committee Protocol the applicant and objector was requested to provide their representation in advance of the meeting for consideration.

#### **Objectors Representation**

- The objector's Representation Forms are attached as Appendix 3 and they have been provided to the applicant, as required by the protocol. In general, the representations relate to concerns as follows:
- Ongoing persistent loud music on Tuesday evenings and occasionally Friday and Sunday. Loud bass music.
  - Windows open when music playing.
  - Persistent disruption has resulted in adverse effect on family health and well-being including disrupted sleep of young children.
  - Entertainment being given priority over people living in homes nearby.
- The objector has been invited to attend your meeting to discuss any matters relating to their objections should they arise.

#### **Applicants Representation**

The applicant has provided their Representation Form, as required by the Protocol, and a copy of this response is attached as Appendix 4. The applicant has highlighted the measures which have been undertaken to try and address residents' concerns.

- 3.10 The applicants Representation Form has also been provided to the objectors, as required by the protocol.
- 3.11 A summary of the applicant's representation is as follows:
  - The club advised they have reduced all noise levels turning off bass music.
  - The club take sound levels recordings outside the hall to continue to monitor noise.
  - They have lined the door facing onto the houses at the back of the club.
  - Locked windows facing onto the housing at the back of the hall.

#### **Counter representations**

- In response to the Representation Form submitted by the applicant, the objector has advised the music is persistently loud on Tuesday evenings which affects their family's health, well-being and overall quality of life and believe the Club are not taking their concerns seriously.
- 3.13 A copy of this email is included as Appendix 5.
- 3.14 Further to providing the applicant with a copy of the objectors' Representation Forms the applicant has advised they do not have anything additional to add to their earlier submission.
- 3.15 The applicant and/or their representatives will be available at your meeting to answer any queries you may have in relation to the application.

#### **Details of the Premises**

- 3.16 The area licensed to provide entertainment is the:
  - Main Hall with a maximum capacity of 200 persons
- 3.17 The days and hours during which the applicant is licensed to provide entertainment are:
  - Monday to Saturday: 11.30 am to 11.00 pm
- 3.18 Additionally, the club may apply to the PSNI for a late liquor licence which would permit entertainment to continue to post 11 pm to 01.00am hrs.

#### <u>PSNI</u>

3.19 The PSNI have been consulted in relation to the application and confirmed that they have no objection to it.

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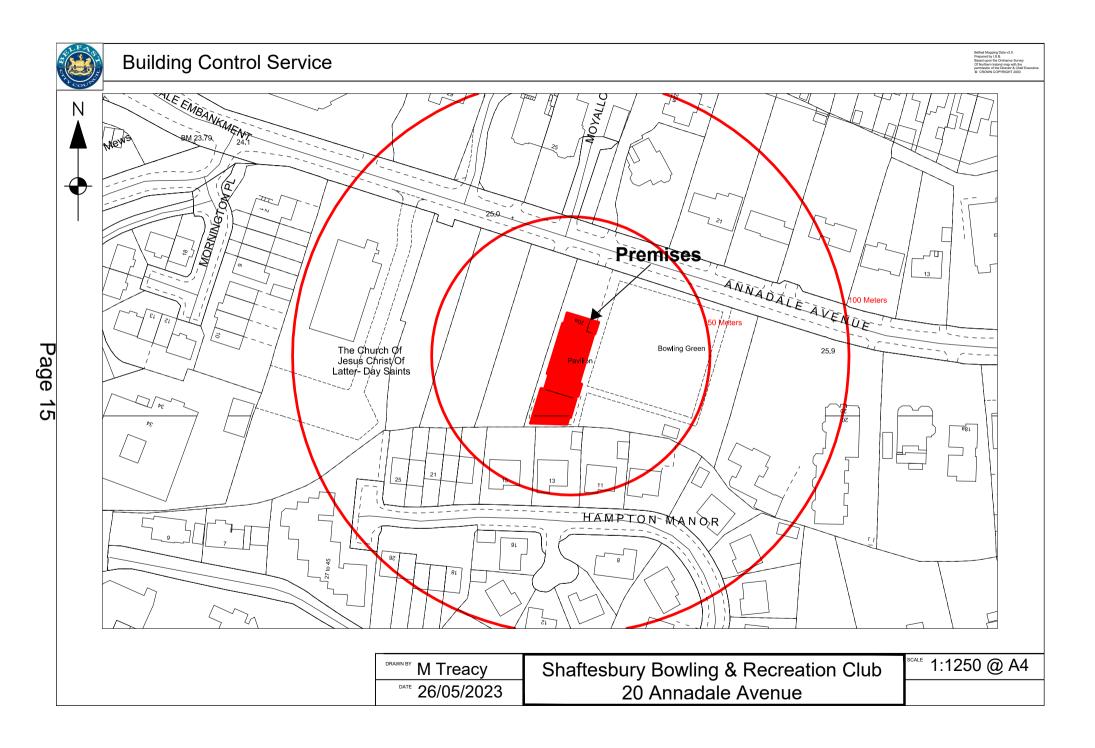
3.20 The Northern Ireland Fire Rescue Service has also been consulted in relation to the application and have advised they have no objection to it.

#### Health, safety and enforcement inspections

3.21 The premises have been inspected, and all works to ensure patron safety in the premises have been completed to the satisfaction of the Service.

	Noise Complaints
3.22	The objector has identified that ongoing noise disturbance from the venue continues to be experienced. Particular reference had been made to dance classes held in the venue on Tuesday evenings.
3.23	Building Control have reminded the objectors of the need to contact the Night Time Noise Team (NTNT) when disturbed by noise.
3.24	The applicant has been informed on all occasions when the Service have been notified of a noise complaint.
	Noise Complaints 1 February 2024 – 31 January 2025 (Licence period)
3.25	<ul> <li>17 noise complaints were received by the NTNT between February 2024 and January 2025:</li> <li>On 11 occasions no noise was witnessed.</li> <li>On three occasions faint voices or music was witnessed.</li> <li>On one occasion audible music was witnessed but not considered unreasonable for the time of day.</li> <li>On two occasions no visits were carried out.</li> </ul>
3.26	A number of the noise complaints were received on evenings when dance classes were held at the venue. Dance classes are an activity which do not require an entertainments licence to be in place at a premises. However, it is understood that at the conclusion of the dance classes, musical entertainment has been provided for participants. Such activity would require an entertainments licence to be in place.
	Noise Complaints from 1 February – to 28 November 2025 (Current licence period)
3.27	<ul> <li>10 noise complaints have been received by the NTNT since February 2025:</li> <li>On two occasions faint music was witnessed.</li> <li>On three occasions Officers of the Noise Team witnessed noise levels resulting in a verbal warning being issued.</li> <li>On one occasion no visit was undertaken.</li> <li>On one occasion people were witnessed talking outside the venue with no music</li> <li>On three occasions no action was taken.</li> </ul>
3.28	The objector has contacted Building Control directly regarding noise complaints and was advised to continue to contact the NTNT.
3.29	Members are reminded that the Noise Act 1996 as amended by the Clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act 2011 gives council's additional powers in relation to the control of entertainment noise after 11.00 pm.
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4.0	and Environment Act 2011 gives council's additional powers in relation to the control of entertainment noise after 11.00 pm.  Financial and Resource Implications  None - Officers carry out monitoring inspections on premises receiving complaints, but this is catered for within existing budgets.

- Appendix 1 Location Map
- Appendix 2 Objection email
- Appendix 3 Objector's Representation Forms Appendix 4 Applicant's Representation Form
- Appendix 5 Objector's counter representation
- Appendix 6 PSNI Comments



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From:

Sent: 07 January 2025 22:01

To: @BelfastCity.gov.uk>;

Subject: [EXTERNAL]Re: [EXTERNAL]Re: Entertainment Licensing - Shaftesbury Bowling &

**Recreational Club** 

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#### **Thanks**

How do I object? Can you take this as a formal objection?

What are the terms of the licence? Loud music ongoing until 1am on 1/1/25 as yet another example. Noise team contacted again this evening.

Sent from my iPhone



#### Belfast City Council Licensing Committee Representation Form for Objectors

#### INFORMATION ABOUT MAKING REPRESENTATION TO COMMITTEE

# PLEASE READ THIS GUIDANCE WHEN COMPLETING THIS FORM ABOUT YOUR OBJECTION

- Your comments should outline the reasons why you consider the application should not be
  granted or whether any conditions should be attached. It should also confirm if you have
  already been in contact with the applicant or any other agency and whether any measures
  have been implemented to address your concerns. You should provide all relevant
  information and attach any relevant supporting documents or photographs.
- Each person or deputation shall have five minutes to make their presentation to Committee.
   Where more than one member of the deputation wishes to address the Committee the five minutes should be shared among them.
- · Your deputation should consist of no more than three persons.
- · Further details shall be provided in due course and as this matter progresses to Committee.
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#### SECTION 1a – Declaration– to be completed by the objector

<u>Before</u> submitting your completed form to us please tick and sign below to show that you understand and accept the implications of submitting this Representation Form to us:

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Recording proceedings

Please note that the proceedings of the meeting will be recorded and broadcast (audio/video) except where the Committee is considering any confidential matters. A copy of the recording of the meeting will be made available on the Council Website within two working days of the minutes being ratified by the Council.

If you do not wish to be recorded, it does not affect your ability to make a representation to a Committee. We will stop the broadcast and recording during the time you are speaking, however, all discussion on that agenda item will be recorded, broadcast and published.

Please indicate your recording preferences below by marking 'X' in the appropriate box:

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### SECTION 1b - Sharing Your Details

Please note that all information in this form will be shared with the applicant, supporters (if any), Members of the Council's Licensing Committee and any relevant statutory consultees in advance of the Committee meeting.

If, due to exceptional circumstances, you feel that your identity and contact details should not be revealed to the applicant or to another party, please tell us and give your reasons in the space below:

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## SECTION 2 - Your Details/ Details of your organisation

Persons who represent a common cause are encouraged to form groups/associations. You may be acting as a representative of residents or businesses in an area (for example a residents' or trade association)

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Your contact details:
Title [Delete as appropriate] Dr / Mr/ Mrs / Ms / Miss / Other_
Surname
First name(s
Address (including postcode)
Telephone Number:
Mobile:
E-mail:
If you are objecting as a representative, please complete the following in addition to the above, to tell us about the organisation you are representing:
Name of organisation being represented (if applicable):
Organisation's address (including postcode):
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**SECTION 3 – Attempts to Resolve Issues** 

1. Have you made your concerns known to the applicant? Yes No

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as an individual; or

If 'Yes', please provide details below of any communication between you and the applicant, including dates, brief summary and outcome, for example: liaison meetings, telephone calls or emails. If 'No', please outline why not. REMEMBER: You do not need to submit correspondence between you and council officers.

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#### Details of contact with PSNI (if any)

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### SECTION 4 - Your Objection

Please outline your objection in the space provided below. Arrange under subject-matter headings if possible, giving reasons for each point you make. Be specific and give relevant examples if possible, state facts and give figures such as distances, times, dates and so on if appropriate.

You should note that this submission shall form part of your five minute presentation to Committee and will be included in the Committee Report. Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

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**Privacy Notice** 

Belfast City Council is the data controller under the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) for the personal data it gathers for the purposes of administering and managing representations to the Licensing Committee.

You are consensually providing your personal data to the Council whose lawful basis for processing is to comply with a legal obligation under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985

The personal data may be shared internally within the Council with staff who are involved in providing this service and where necessary, between internal departments with the purpose of supporting an effective delivery of service. Your personal data will also be shared with Members of the Licensing Committee.

Your personal data will not be shared or disclosed to any other organisation without your consent, unless the law permits or places an obligation on the Council to do so.

Your personal data is held and stored by the Council in a safe and secure manner and in compliance with data protection legislation and in line with the Council's Records Retention and Disposal Schedule.

If you have any queries regarding the processing of your personal data or wish to withdraw your consent to the processing of it, please contact Building Control's Policy and Legal Officer on 028 90270650 or email buildingcontrol@belfastcity.gov.uk

If you wish to contact the Council's Data Protection Officer, please write to Belfast City Council, City Hall Belfast, BT1 5GS or send an email to <a href="mailto:dataprotection@belfastcity.gov.uk">dataprotection@belfastcity.gov.uk</a>.

#### Please return your completed form to:

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or email to buildingcontrollicensing@belfastcity.gov.uk

#### Your signature

I confirm that I have completed this form and am making this representation in support of my licensing application. In signing this form I understand that my personal data, including any sensitive personal information (special category per legical to be a possible of the personal data). In this form about myself meaning this form a personal data, including any action, including licence applicants.

Signed:

Date: 9/6/25

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## **Belfast City Council Licensing Committee**

Representation Form for Applicants

#### INFORMATION ABOUT MAKING REPRESENTATION TO COMMITTEE

# YOU MUST READ AND REFER TO THIS GUIDANCE WHEN COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

- Your comments should outline the reasons why you consider the application should be granted. It should also confirm if you have already been made aware of the objectors concerns and if you have implemented any measures to resolve them. You should provide all relevant information and attach any relevant supporting documents or photographs.
- Each person or deputation shall have five minutes to make their presentation to Committee. Where more than one member of the deputation wishes to address the Committee the five minutes should be shared among them.
- Your deputation should consist of no more than three persons.
- Further details shall be provided in due course and as this matter progresses to Committee.
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- It is not necessary to include Community Safety Reports unless you wish to draw the Committee's attention to a specific item on it, in which case you should only include the section containing the item.
- You do not need to submit multiple copies for other parties as the Council shall make copies
  where required and shall be responsible for circulating information to relevant parties.

# **SECTION 1a – Declaration and Consent – to be completed by the applicant**

<u>Before</u> submitting your completed form to us please tick and sign below to show that you understand and accept the implications of submitting this Representation Form to us:

understand and accept the implications of submitting this Representation Form to us:
I understand that the submission of the objection and this counter representation form may result in a hearing before the Council's Licensing Committee for the purpose of determining my licensing application and that I will have an opportunity to attend this hearing to address the Committee.
Are you are prepared to attend the Licensing Committee meeting and to make a representation to the Committee?
Yes X No
Please note that the proceedings of the meeting will be audio-recorded, except where the Committee is considering any confidential matters. A copy of the recording of the meeting will be made available on the Council Website within two working days of the minutes being ratified by the Council.
Please indicate whether you consent to your speech being recorded and made available online by marking 'X' in the appropriate box:
IMPORTANT: In ticking and signing this part of the form you are giving or withholding your consent to your speech being placed on public record in audio format.
I consent to my speech being recorded at the Committee Meeting and being placed on public record in audio format.
I <u>do not</u> consent to my speech being recorded at the Committee Meeting and being placed on public record in audio format.
Signature:
Date: 29 August 2025

# **SECTION 1b – Sharing Your Details**

Please note that all information in this form will be shared with the objectors, Members of the Council's Licensing Committee and any relevant statutory consultees in advance of the Committee meeting.

# **SECTION 2 – Your Details / Details of your organisation**

#### Your contact details:

Title [Delete as appropriate]	
Surname	
First name(s)	
Address (including postcode)	
Telephone Number:	
Mobile:	
E-mail:	

# **SECTION 3 – Attempts to Resolve Issues**

1.	Have resident's, other parties and/or their representatives contacted you to make you aware of their concerns?
	Yes No X
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2.	Have you taken any action to address their concerns? (for example, by implementing changes or improvements to resolve their concerns)
	Yes No X
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### **SECTION 4 – Your Representation**

Please outline your representation in the space provided below. Arrange under subject-matter headings if possible, giving reasons for each point you make. Be specific and give relevant examples if possible, state facts and give figures such as distances, times, dates and so on if appropriate.

You should note that this submission shall form part of your five minute presentation to Committee and will be included in the Committee Report. Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

- Shaftesbury Bowling Club has played an important role in the Annadale Avenue community since
  it moved to the current location in 1956. It is an invaluable sporting and social resource for those
  from 18 years of age to 96 years. It provides a social hub for our members and for the
  surrounding community. We have approx 80 members, the majority of whom are 60+. Our
  members compete in club competitions and local championships and leagues.
- 2. We are located in the middle of housing developments and rarely have complaints of any kind. Nosie complaints in the past 2 years have been from 1 or 2 households. Our other neighbours are very supportive of the club.
- 3. We have taken sound recordings over the past year during the Tuesday evening dance classes and none of these have shown excessive noise.
- 4. We are still recovering our membership from a post Covid number of 50. As our membership grows, we use any funds raised from functions to carry our ongoing repairs.
- 5. Alongside our bowling activities, the club provides a 'home' for:
  - A. A Sunday Church Service and midweek youth church group meeting
  - B. Children's Irish dancing class on Saturday mornings
  - C. dancing class (every Tuesday evening)
  - D. Art class on Thursday evenings
  - E. NIA mindful movement exercise classes
  - F. Yoga classes
  - G. Allotment Group meetings
  - H. Resident Groups' meetings
  - I. get togethers learning disability support for adults, focusing on inclusivity in the community
  - J. events support for Breast cancer survivors
  - K. sessions a wonderful, big community choir for everyone in the heart of the bustling Ormeau Road in Belfast.
- 6. Bowling is practiced throughout the week, outdoors from April-Sept and indoors for the rest of the year.
- 7. We have 60 Members who compete in club competitions and local championships and leagues. Most of these members are aged 60+ with the majority over 70.
- 8. The club bar complies rigorously with Licensing Laws.
- 9. On-site car parking is in place to accommodate members and visiting teams, to avoid disruption on Annadale Avenue.

Please detail any measures or changes that you would be willing to undertake to address the objectors concerns, or give any suggestions you would like the Licensing Committee to consider:

The club operates on a good neighbour basis. Since an objection from a resident was received almost 2 years ago, it has:

- Reduced all noise levels turning off bass music
- Lined the door facing on to the houses at the back of the club
- Locked windows facing onto the housing at the back of the hall

It is noteworthy that of the many adjacent houses surrounding the club, only 1
household submitted objections when we applied for our license last time.

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 people may ask us for information we hold. We are responsible for deciding whether the requested information can be released. Before we release any information which identifies you, we will seek your views on its disclosure, unless there is a legal requirement to disclose the information. The final decision on what will be disclosed rests with the Council except in circumstances where we are under a legal obligation to release the information to another party.

**Data Protection Act 2018** – We will process your personal information in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. We will use the information you have given us on this form and on any accompanying documentation to enable the licensing authority to take into account any relevant issues in making decisions in licensing matters. Should other council departments, government agencies or any other party request this form, any part of it or any information provided on it or submitted on account of it for lawful reasons, we may disclose some or all of the details requested or we may disclose the form either in its entirety or in part and in accordance with the law.

Please return completed form to: Building Control Service, Licensing Team, Ground Floor, Cecil Ward Building, 4 - 10 Linenhall Street, Belfast BT2 8BP

I confirm that I have completed this form and am making this representation in support of my licensing application. In signing this form I consent that my personal data, including any sensitive personal information that I have disclosed in this form about myself may be shared with all parties to this action, including objectors.

Signed:	Date:	29/08/2025





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Please see our response to Shaftesbury bowling club information below:



Many thanks for your correspondence. I would like to address each point in turn.

Section 3 1. The applicant has ticked the 'No' box. As you are aware this is not correct. Residents did agree to and have a meeting on the Shaftesbury premises regarding this ongoing issue. A number of outcomes were agreed upon. Namely the club would provide an acoustic report on the suitability of their premises to host certain events. Other outcomes included ensuring windows closed while playing loud music. These outcomes have not been met by the applicant.

Section 3 2. Residents have provided videos showing all windows at rear of property open while loud music playing.

Section 4. All of this representation is irrelevant to the ongoing noise issues. As per Section 13.18 of the BCC Rules of Management for Places of Indoor Entertainment *Music or noise arising from the entertainment provided in the place should not cause unreasonable disturbance or annoyance to the occupiers or other properties in the neighbourhood.* 

The age and number of bowling club members is entirely irrelevant. This section is simply obfuscation by the applicant. As always stated the objection of local residents is due to loud music emanating from the premises.

No one is objecting to a Sunday church service, a yoga class or an art class. It is important the council do not confuse the complaints about loud noise with the general activities of the bowling club. However, it remains a fact that loud noise emanates from the premises on Tuesday evenings and occasionally at weekends. For example, despite reassurance to residents previously, on Friday 17th October there was an event held that included a full drum kit. This is approximately 4 meters from people's homes. How can this possibly be showing respect to residents all of whom have children less than 5 years of age who are trying to sleep?

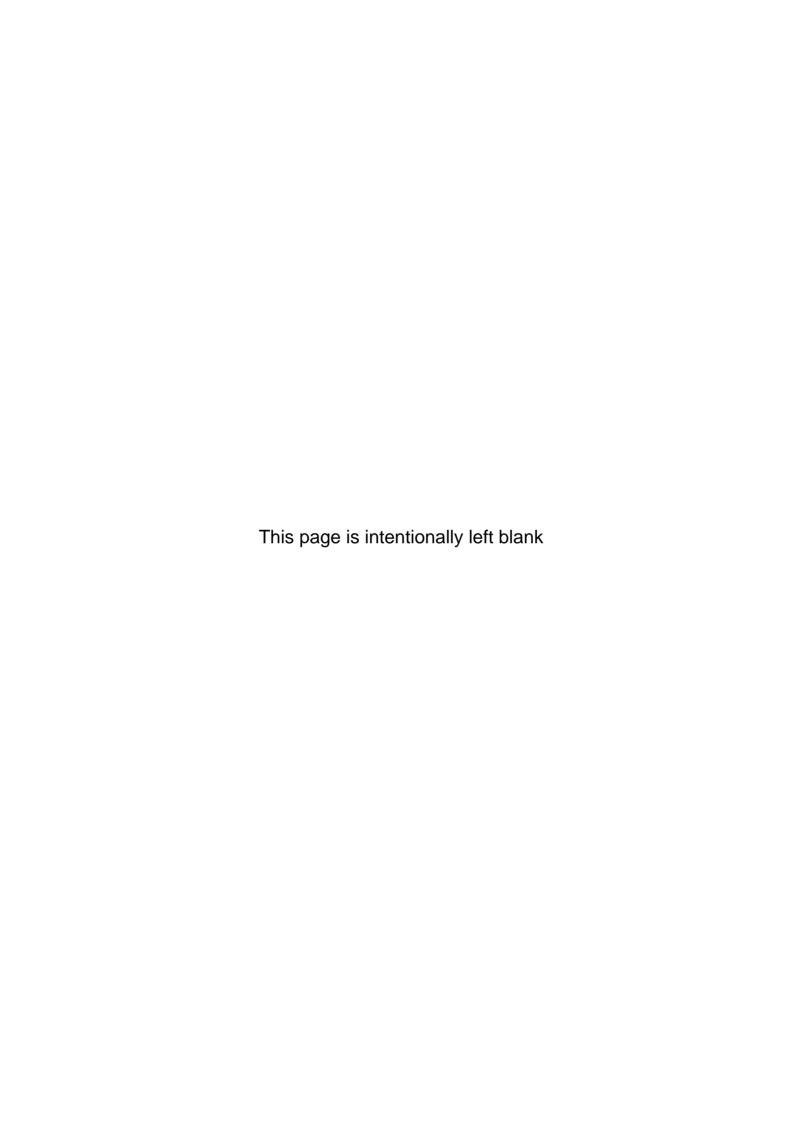
Again in points 6/7 no one is complaining about bowlers.

Furthermore on point 9 many club patrons park on Annadale Avenue and obstruct the view of residents trying to drive out. This is highly dangerous. There have almost been accidents on a number of occasions and indeed has has been reported to the PSNI by various residents on more than one occasion.

In the final section of the applicants submission the statement that the club operates on a 'good neighbour' basis is laughable. See information above re drum kit! The fact is the bowling club allows a number of events on its property that emanate noise that disturbs local residents. For every resident that makes a formal complaint there are others who are disturbed by noise but do not wish to put themselves out there with a formal submission to council.

As for the other points regarding locked windows residents have submitted video evidence to the contrary.

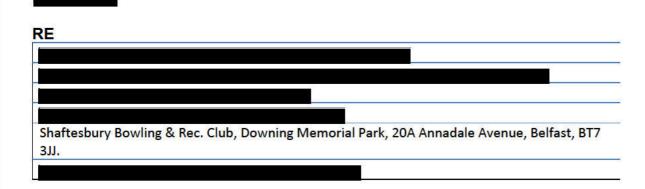
Finally residents are complaining about a very small number of specific events in SBC that cause noise disturbance on their premises. We understand these events are separate from the bowlers and other users of the club. However, SBC need to take responsibility for allowing their premises to be used in this manner. To reiterate-As per Section 13.18 of the BCC Rules of Management for Places of Indoor Entertainment Music or noise arising from the entertainment provided in the place should not cause unreasonable disturbance or annoyance to the occupiers or other properties in the neighbourhood.





Building Control Service Ground Floor Cecil Ward Building 4-10 Linenhall Street Belfast BT2 8BP

3rd October 2025



Please note that District Councils are the lead organisation for Entertainment Licensing and the provisions of the Order under Schedule 1 allows for the application, regulation and restriction following consideration by the licensing authority.

The Order allows for the granting of a licence with conditions with the overarching aim of maximising safety and minimise risk and impact that may result from the granting of a licence.

The role of the Police Service in consideration of entertainment licences is limited however I would highlight current regulatory practice:

- Private Security Industry Act 2001 covers the requirement for the provision of licensed activities that may impact this application.
- Responsible retailing code (NI) covers the responsible promotion and retail of alcohol.
- The Registration of Clubs (NI) Order 1996
- The Licensing (NI) Order 1996
- The Licensing and Registration of Clubs (amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 2021.

There are no current grounds for PSNI objections to the grant of the above entertainment licence applications being further considered by Belfast City Council, residents, other local business and NIFRS.

Police would request the following special conditions be considered for inclusion on the licence to ensure the peaceful and orderly conduct of the area and that the appropriate number of SIA approved only doorstaff be deployed within the licenced premises.

- The licence holder to take positive steps to manage the premises responsibly in a peaceful and orderly manor
- Robust complaints procedure in place for dealing with residents' concerns expeditiously.
- APPENDIX E Safer Dancing / Reduction in the supply of drugs within the BCC Rules of Management be complied with ASAP

Please note if a Pavement Café area is included within the Entertainment Licence an application under the permanent scheme should be made to Belfast City Council ASAP as any existing temporary Pavement Café Licence will no longer be valid.

If the Entertainment Licence application is granted in due course police note that APPENDIX E – Safer Dancing / Reduction in the supply of drugs within the BCC Rules of Management it is the responsibility of the licence holder. Any breaches or non-compliance should be managed by Belfast City Council.

Please forward police a copy of the above Entertainment Licences with any special conditions or restrictions with confirmation that all Belfast City Council requirements and conditions including all Building Regulations approvals have been adhered to and that the Licensing (NI) Order 1996 will be adhered to by the licence holder.

Can you please also ensure that the applicant has registered the premises with the ongoing 'Ask for Angela' campaign as we continue to raise awareness for this simple, yet effective initiative that allows those who may find themselves in a vulnerable situation, with a quick and discreet way to access the help they need. Please feel free to share and encourage your applicants to registered and appear on the province wide map.



The Police Service of Northern Ireland has developed a short training package, in partnership with Hospitality Ulster for the 'Ask for Angela' safeguarding initiative across Northern Ireland. People who feel unsafe, vulnerable or

threatened can discreetly seek help by approaching venue staff. Asking for 'Angela' will indicate to trained staff that this person requires help in the form of; reuniting them with a friend, seeing them to a taxi, or by calling venue security and/or Police. The training package for the scheme is now available to access on the Hospitality Ulster website here: <a href="https://hospitalityulster.org/askforangela">https://hospitalityulster.org/askforangela</a> or on the Northern Ireland Hotel Federation website here: <a href="https://www.nihf.co.uk/ask-forangela/">https://www.nihf.co.uk/ask-forangela/</a> Any venue that wishes to take part must first register via the link above to sign up to the scheme and then they will be given access to the bespoke training package for their staff and promotional materials for their venue.

Once venues have signed up they will be added to a map that has been designed to make the public aware of what once venues have signed up they will be added to a map that has been designed to make the public aware of what venues are involved.

Licensing Constable Belfast City

Extension: 21812

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