



Subject:	Application for the Grant of a 7-Day Annual Outdoor Entertainments Licence for Holy Cross Boys Pitch, Butlers Walk, Belfast, BT14 7BZ
Date:	16 August 2023
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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues						
1.1	To consider an application for the Grant of a 7-Day Annual Outdoor Entertainments Licence based on the Council's standard conditions to provide outdoor musical entertainment. <table><tr><td>Area and Location</td><td>Ref. No.</td><td>Applicant</td></tr><tr><td>Holy Cross Boys Pitch, Butlers Walk, Belfast, BT14 7NY</td><td>WK/2022/02300</td><td>Paul McCusker</td></tr></table>	Area and Location	Ref. No.	Applicant	Holy Cross Boys Pitch, Butlers Walk, Belfast, BT14 7NY	WK/2022/02300	Paul McCusker
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1.2	A location map is attached as Appendix 1						

2.0	Recommendations
2.1	<p>Taking into account the information presented and any representations made in respect of the application you are required to make a decision to either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the application for the Grant of the 7-Day Annual Outdoor Entertainments Licence, or b) Approve the application for the Grant with special conditions, or c) Refuse the application for the Grant of the 7-Day Annual Outdoor Entertainments Licence.
2.2	<p>If an 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. In the case that the applicant subsequently decides to appeal, outdoor entertainment may not be provided until any such appeal is determined.</p>
3.0	Main report
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>Members are advised that a 7-Day Annual Outdoor Entertainments Licence and a 14-Day Occasional Indoor Licence for a Marquee has been granted by Committee in previous years for this event but there is no current licence in force for the events planned this year.</p>
3.2	<p>The applicant has applied to provide outdoor entertainment in the form of live music on the school playing pitch at Butlers Walk for Ardbone Community Festival running from 25 – 27 August 2023.</p>
3.3	<p>The standard days and hours during which entertainment may be provided for outdoor events is Monday to Sunday from 11.30am to 11.00pm.</p>
3.4	<p>In addition, Special Conditions are attached to Outdoor Entertainments Licences related to setting limits on maximum numbers and implementing a robust system of dealing with complaints.</p>
3.5	<p>The applicant proposes to provide entertainment in the form of a DJ for a paint party for young people on Friday 25 August, a dance event on Saturday 26 August and a traditional Irish event on Sunday 27 August.</p>
3.6	<p>Members are reminded that all applications for the Grant of Outdoor Entertainments Licences must be brought before Committee for consideration.</p>
3.7	<p><u>Representations</u></p> <p>Whilst public notice of the application has been placed in the press the date of the advertisement is such that the 28-day statutory period during which representations to the application may be made will not expire until 18 August, 2 days after your Committee meeting.</p>
3.8	<p>At the time of writing this report no representations have been received to the application.</p>
3.9	<p>Should Members be minded to grant the Outdoor Entertainments Licence it is suggested that this be subject to the proviso that no representations are received within the 28 statutory period to the application.</p>

	<p><u>PSNI</u></p> <p>3.10 The Police Service of Northern Ireland have been consulted in relation to the application. At the time of writing this report the Service have not received a response. An update will be provided for Committee at your meeting.</p> <p><u>NIFRS</u></p> <p>3.11 The Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service have been consulted in relation to the application and have no objection.</p> <p><u>Health, safety and welfare</u></p> <p>3.12 Officers from the Service will engage with the applicant and event organisers in the lead up to events to ensure all documentation and technical information is in place.</p> <p>3.13 Additionally, officers will inspect the site during the build of the event space and following its completion to ensure they are satisfied all safety and management procedures are in place.</p> <p>3.14 If the Committee is minded to grant the Outdoor Entertainments Licence, it will not be issued until such time as all technical requirements are completed to the satisfaction of the Service.</p> <p><u>Noise</u></p> <p>3.15 The applicant has been requested to provide the Service with an acoustic report for the event. When received, it will be provided to the Environmental Protection Unit (EPU) for evaluation.</p> <p>3.16 When a report has been developed for the event, it will be considered by Officers to ensure the technical requirements are in accordance with all relevant legislation and guidance. The noise mitigation strategy must demonstrate that noise from the event will not cause unreasonable disturbance to commercial and residential premises.</p> <p>3.17 The organisers will be required to produce a suitable resident's notification letter and we will agree the extent of its distribution prior to the event taking place.</p> <p><u>Applicant</u></p> <p>3.18 The applicant, and/or their representatives, will be available at your meeting to answer any queries you may have in relation to the application.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Financial & Resource Implications</p> <p>None</p>
<p>5.0</p>	<p>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</p> <p>None</p>
<p>6.0</p>	<p>Appendices – Documents Attached</p>
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