



Subject:	Applications for the Transfer and Renewal of a Seven-Day Annual Indoor Entertainments Licence – The Great Eastern Bar, 273 Newtownards Road
Date:	19th September, 2018
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Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues				
1.1	<p>To inform the Committee that the PSNI has withdrawn its objection to the applications for the transfer and renewal of a Seven-day Annual Indoor Entertainments Licence for the following premises:</p> <table><tr><td>Premises and Location</td><td>Applicant</td></tr><tr><td>The Great Eastern Bar 273 Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 1AF</td><td>Mr. Stephen Townsley</td></tr></table>	Premises and Location	Applicant	The Great Eastern Bar 273 Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 1AF	Mr. Stephen Townsley
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1.2	The applications are based on the Council's Standard Conditions to provide indoor music, singing, dancing or any other entertainment of a like kind and the licence is to be transferred from Mr. Alan Irvine to Mr. Stephen Townsley.				
1.3	A copy of the application forms for the renewal and transfer of the licence is attached at Appendix 1.				

2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is requested to note that the PSNI has withdrawn its objection to the transfer and renewal of the Seven-day Annual Indoor Entertainments Licence for the Great Eastern Bar and that the applications will now be approved under the Scheme of Delegation.
3.0	Main Report
	<u>Key Issues</u>
3.1	Members are reminded that, at your meeting on 14th February, you were advised that an objection had been received from the Police Service of Northern Ireland in relation to the transfer and renewal of the Entertainments Licence for the Great Eastern Bar and you agreed to hear from both the applicant and PSNI at a future meeting.
	<u>Representations</u>
3.2	Public notice of the application has been placed and no written representations have been lodged as a result of the advertisement.
	<u>PSNI</u>
3.3	Following your meeting in February, officers from the PSNI have been meeting with Mr. Townsley and they have now agreed a plan of action relating to their concerns regarding the operation of the premises outside of their permitted hours and other Liquor Licensing matters.
3.4	In light of this plan, the PSNI has now withdrawn its objection to the applications.
3.5	A copy of the PSNI letter is attached at Appendix 2.
	<u>NIFRS</u>
3.6	The Northern Ireland Fire Rescue Service has confirmed that it has no objections to the Entertainments Licence.
	<u>Health, Safety and Welfare Inspections</u>
3.7	The premises have been subject to inspections as part of the Entertainments Licence application process and Officers of the Service are satisfied with all safety measures and management procedures.
	<u>Financial and Resource Implications</u>
3.8	Officers carry out during performance inspections on premises providing entertainment which is catered for within existing budgets.
	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u>
3.9	There are no issues associated with this report.
4.0	Documents Attached
	Appendix 1 – Application Forms Appendix 2 – PSNI Comments