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Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance)

Report to the Licensing and Regulatory Panel

Date: 8 SEPTEMBER 2009

Subject: PERFORMANCE OF HYPNOTISM

DAVID BOLTON

VUE CINEMA THE LIGHT SHOPPING CENTRE THE HEADROW LEEDS 1

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
City & Hunslet	Equality and Diversity
Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Community Cohesion Narrowing the Gap

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides Members with details of a request for the performance of Hypnotism at the Vue Cinema The Light Shopping Centre The Headrow Leeds 1

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report informs Members of the receipt of a request for a performance of Hypnotism under the Hypnotism Act 1952.

2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 Members should note that under the Hypnotism Act 1952 the Local Authority have the power to grant licences for the exhibition, demonstration or performance of hypnotism on any living person at or in connection with an entertainment to which the public are admitted, whether on payment or otherwise, at any place in relation to which a licence for public dancing, singing music or other public entertainment of the like kind is in operation.

3.0 MAIN ISSUES

- 3.1 Mr. Bolton the Hypnotist has performed as a stage hypnotist for the past 24 years and though not performed in the Leeds City Council area he has performed in many local authority areas in the North and has recently been given a permit to perform in the Sheffield area.
- 3.2 A copy of the show content is attached at Appendix 1 for members information.
- 3.3 Mr. Bolton is a member of the Federation of Ethical Stage Hypnotists and Equity

- 3.4 A copy of the Public Liability insurance for Mr. Bolton is attached at Appendix 2 for Members information.
- 3.5 Attached at Appendix 3 for members information is a copy of the conditions attached to a performance of Hypnotism.

4.0 Implications for Council Policy and Government

4.1 There are no implications for Council policy and governance in respect of determining this application.

5.0 Legal and Resource Implications

5.1 There are no legal or resource implications

6.0 Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to note the content of the report and either grant or refuse the request.
- 6.2 If Members are minded to approve the performance then the conditions as mentioned in paragraph 3.5 should be attached to the approval.