



Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance)

Report to the Licensing and Regulatory Panel

Date: 26 OCTOBER 2009

Subject: PERFORMANCE OF HYPNOTISM
DEREK GORDON
STATION HOTEL, 1 STATION ROAD, LEEDS LS15 7JX

Electoral Wards Affected:
Crossgates & Whinmoor

No Ward Members consulted

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides Members with details of a request for the performance of Hypnotism at the Station Hotel 1 Station Road Leeds LS15 7JX

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. Gordon the Hypnotist has performed as a stage hypnotist for the past 5 years and last performed in the Leeds City Council area in November 2008. His last three performances were in the Hull area.

3.2 A copy of the application for consent for a exhibition, demonstration or performance of Hypnotism is attached at Appendix 1 for Members information.

- 3.3 A copy of the content of the performance is attached at Appendix 2 for members information.
- 3.4 Mr. Gordon is a member of the British Academy of Hypnosis. A copy of the British Academy of Hypnosis code of conduct is attached at Appendix 3 for Members information.
- 3.5 A copy of the Public Liability insurance for Mr. Gordon is attached at Appendix 4 for Members information.
- 3.6 Attached at Appendix 5 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.