

Licensing Sub-Committee

Tuesday, 15th October, 2024

PRESENT: Councillor T Hinchcliffe in the Chair

Councillor E Carlisle

1 Election of the Chair

RESOLVED – To elect Cllr Hinchcliffe as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

2 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals.

3 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no exempt items.

4 Late Items

There were no formal late items. However, supplementary information was received regarding:

- Agenda Item 6 – Off Licence, 81 Roundhay Road, Leeds, LS8 5AQ. Statement provided by the applicant.
- Agenda Item 7 – Leeds Young Film Festival on Tour. Officer's comments and recommendations.

5 Declaration of Interests

No interests were raised.

6 Certification of Films – Halloween - Leeds Young Film Festival on Tour

The report of the Chief Officer, Elections and Regulatory advised Members of an application for the certification of eleven short films to be shown at The Carriage Works, Millenium Square, LS2 3AD and Lotherton Hall, Lotherton Lane, LS25 3EB. The films will be shown as part of Leeds Young Film Festival on Tour (Halloween), taking place from 20th October 2024 to mid-November 2024.

Supplementary information was published on the Council's website and distributed to members in the form of officer's comments regarding each of the films. It was noted that there are concerns with 3 of the films, and officers have recommended the following:

- I See You – PG certification.
- Pumpkin Boy – 12A certification.
- A Night in the Camp Heebie Jeebie – PG rating.

It was noted that the promoter is available by telephone should Members have any questions for them.

RESOLVED – To grant the following ratings:

The Witch and the Baby – U

Under the Bed – U

The "Damsel" – PG

The Perfect Man – PG
Ghost Boy – U
Lurker – U
I See You – PG
Pumpkin Boy – 12A
A Night in Camp Heebie Jeebie – PG
Spider Web – U
Majestic Wilderness! – U

7 Certification of Films – Leeds International Film Festival 2023

The report of the Chief Officer, Elections and Regulatory advised Members of an application for the certification of numerous films in respect of the Leeds International Film Festival 2024. The screenings are scheduled to take place between 1st and 17th November 2024 at Everyman Cinema, Vua Cinema in the Light, Hyde Park Picture House, Howard Assembly Room, Cottage Road Cinema, Leeds City Art Gallery, Headrow House, Chapel FM Seacroft, St Luke's Cares Beeston, Mill Hill Chapel & The Old Fire Station, Gipton.

Of the films which have been submitted requiring classification the exhibitor has provided links to screeners for the viewing of 2 feature length films, 7 short films and 15 music videos. Members are recommended to certify the films they cannot view as category 18 ratings.

The promoter is available by telephone should Members have any questions.

RESOLVED – To award the following certifications:

The Stimming Pool – 12A
Grand Theft Hamlet – 15
Paula Says Hi – 12A
House Phone – 12A
Loser Like Larkin – 12A
From Largos to Leeds – 12A
Sandcastles – 12A
Predators – 12A
Who We Were, Who We Became – 12A
Public Service Broadcasting – Electra – 15
Sad Night Dynamite – Wake Up, Pass Out – 15
Chapell Roan – Casual – 15
Okay Kaya – The Groke – 15
Won't Be Around – 15
Slowshift – EndUp – 15
Beautiful Scarecrow – 15
CYA – 18
Matthew Herbert and London Contemporary Orchestra – The Rider – 15
Wonderbread – 15
Like This – 15
Delingha – 15
Six Roasted Chickens – 15
November – 15
Blue and Orange – 15

Subject to the declaration provided by the distributor at “Appendix A” confirming that no content would be deemed R18 rated when considered in accordance with the BBFC Classification Guidelines, all films listed at “Appendix B” are to be certified 18 rated.

8 Certification of a Film – Queer East Film Festival

The report of the Chief Officer, Elections and Regulatory) advised Members of an application for the certification of 3 films, Bye Bye Love, The River and The Last Year of Darkness to be screened between 27th October 2024 and 20th November 2024, at Hyde Park Picture House, 73 Brudenell Road, Headingley, Leeds, LS6 1JD.

The request is made for the films to be awarded an 18 rating, subject to a declaration provided by the distributor, that the films do not contain any content which would more likely than not, render them liable to be classified as R18 if considered in accordance with BBFC Classification Guidelines.

The promoter is available by telephone should Members have any questions.

RESOLVED – To grant the following certifications:

Bye Bye Love – 18

The River – 18

The Last Year of Darkness – 18.

Prior to the start of the meeting, a Sub-Committee member was unable to attend. Best efforts were made to seek a third member, but such attempts were unsuccessful. Given this situation and in line with Licensing Procedure Rule 6, parties present are to be provided with an opportunity to agree a quorum of 2 Sub-Committee members.

When seeking agreement to proceed on that basis, all parties in attendance for Agenda Item 6, did not agree to a quorum of 2 Sub-Committee members. The representative in attendance from Leeds City Council’s Entertainment Licensing Section also referred to there being no representative from West Yorkshire Police due to illness. The latter of the meeting was therefore adjourned.

9 Application for the Grant of a Premises Licence for Off Licence, 81 Roundhay Road, Leeds, LS8 5AQ

As per Minute No.8, the item was adjourned. It was therefore

RESOLVED – To adjourn the item to the Licensing Sub-Committee meeting scheduled to take place Tuesday, 5th November 2024.

The meeting concluded at 10:30 am.