

Licensing Sub-Committee

Tuesday, 25th June, 2024

PRESENT: Councillor J Gibson in the Chair

Councillors J Bowden and D Seary

1 Election of the Chair

RESOLVED – To elect Councillor J Gibson as the Chair for the duration of the meeting.

2 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

3 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no exempt items.

4 Late Items

There were no late items, however supplementary information was circulated to Members prior to the start of the meeting which related to Agenda Item 7 – Certification of Films – Farewell Amor.

5 Declaration of Interests

No declarations of interests were made at the meeting.

6 Certification of Films – Yorkshire Indian Film Festival

The report of the Chief Officer, Elections and Regulatory advised Members of an application for the certification of four feature length films to be shown at Hyde Park Picture House, Brudenell Road, Headingley LS6 1JD. The films were to be shown as part of Yorkshire Indian Film Festival between 27th June 2024 and 2nd July 2024.

The Licensing Officer presented the application, noting the following points:

- The film titled 'Mithya' was recommended for a 12A rating by the applicant. Officers had some concerns relating to strong language and dangerous behaviour and had concluded to recommend the film for a 15 rating.

Members discussions included the following points:

- The applicant had been notified of the alternative Officer recommendation for Mithya but a response had not been received as to whether the applicant was content with the alternative rating.
- The applicant was contacted via a phone call and confirmed they were satisfied for Mithya to receive a 15 rating due to the strong language and dangerous behaviour. The applicant noted they were open to further discussion regarding the issues which led to the alternative rating if more time was allowed.
- The dangerous behaviour related to showing a brother teaching his younger sister to swim, where she was left alone in a lake and looked to be drowning before being saved by the brother, who then displayed feeling of remorse.

RESOLVED – To apply the classifications, subject to Officer recommendation's:

- Sthal – 12A
- Wakhri – 15
- Mithya – 15
- Tight: The World of Indian Bodybuilding – 12A

7 Certification of Films – Farewell Amor

The report of the Chief Officer, Elections and Regulatory advised Members of an application for the certification of a film to be shown at Hyde Park Picture House, Brudenell Road, Headingley LS6 1JD. The film was to be shown as part of the Cinema Africa programme on Friday 12th July 2024.

The Licensing Officer presented the application providing the following points:

- The applicant had recommended the film for a 15 rating, which Officers had reviewed and had no objection to.

RESOLVED – To apply the classification as requested.