

Licensing Sub-Committee

Tuesday, 12th October, 2021

PRESENT: Councillor P Wray in the Chair

Councillors N Buckley and L Martin

1 Election of the Chair

RESOLVED – That Councillor P Wray be elected 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 late items.

5 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interests.

6 Certification of Films – The Pyramid Theatre, Leeds University Union

The Chief Officer (Elections and Regulatory) that informs Members with the background, history and issues of an application made under the Licensing Act 2003 (“the Act”) for the certification of a film that does not currently have a BBFC (British Board of Film Classification) certification. Finally, this report informs Members of the options available to them when considering an application for the certification of films.

The application sought classification of films as follows:

- Homeland Trilogy (18)
- as british as a watermelon (18)
- I Was Told There’s Freedom Here (18)
- Golden Jubilee (18)
- This is forever (18)
- HOME (18)
- Jazi Gold (18)
- Ninjababy (15)

Robb Barham, Hyde Park Picture House, was in attendance on behalf of the applicant.

Mr Barham confirmed that the use of ‘R18’ in correspondence did not refer to the category of the same name specifically used for sexually explicit films, and that ‘R’ was used as an abbreviation of ‘recommended’.

In response to a query, Members were advised that age verification checks will be in place at screenings of the above films.

RESOLVED - The committee unanimously resolved to approve the age certification of each film as sought by the applicant.