

Licensing Sub-Committee

Tuesday, 17th July, 2018

PRESENT: Councillor R Downes in the Chair

Councillors M Harland and Wilkinson

1 Election of the Chair

RESOLVED – That Councillor R Downes be elected as Chair for the hearings.

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 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

6 Certification of Films

The report of the Head of Elections, Licensing and Registration presented an application for the certification of films to be shown at the Hyde Park Picture House, Brudenell Road, Leeds at the Independent Directions Film Festival between the 20th and 22d July 2018.

The Licensing Officer presented the report and informed the Sub-Committee that the application had been received as the films had not been classified by the BBFC. The report outlined a brief synopsis of the films to be shown and a Category 15 classification had been suggested by the applicant.

Martin Grund (Leeds Young Film) addressed the Sub-Committee on behalf of the applicant. The Sub-Committee was informed that 'Roller Dreams' had scenes that contained moderate bad language, and contained real news footage from the Rodney King case which involved some violence. Members heard that 'Minding the Gap' also included scenes with moderate bad language, along with reference to drug taking though no actual drug taking. Mr Grund felt that some of the issues dealt with in both films required Category 15 certification.

The Licensing Sub-Committee carefully considered the application, the report and the representations made at the hearing.

RESOLVED – That the application be granted as applied for and the films 'Roller Dreams' and 'Mind the Gap' be given Category 15 certification.