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| <b>Report on</b>         | Entertainment Licensing Applications |
| <b>Date of Meeting</b>   | 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2021        |
| <b>Reporting Officer</b> | William Wilkinson                    |

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| <b>1.0</b> | <b>Purpose of Report</b>   |
| 1.1        | To update Members on Entertainment Licensing applications across Mid Ulster District Council.  |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b>Background</b>  |
| 2.1        | The Council has responsibility for licensing places of entertainment in accordance with The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985. Entertainment Licensing applications are received on a continued basis across the District. Statutory consultations are carried out with PSNI and NIFRS for each Entertainment Licence application (grant or renewal) submitted.  |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>Main Report</b>   |
| 3.1        | <p>As previously agreed a list of applications for all grant/renewal of Entertainment Licences in Mid Ulster District Council is attached (see Appendix 1). The number of applications received on a monthly basis will vary depending on the date of expiry of the current licence.</p> <p>Each application is accompanied by the following documentation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 A current Fire Risk Assessment detailing the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) means of escape from premises</li> <li>(b) management responsibilities for day to day safety aspects</li> <li>(c) details of review on an annual basis</li> </ol> <p>The fire risk assessment submitted is audited by the inspecting officer.</p> </li> <li>2 Electrical certification is required for the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) General electrical installation</li> <li>(b) Emergency lighting system</li> <li>(c) Fire alarm system</li> </ol> </li> <li>3 Details of current public liability insurance for premises</li> <li>4 Copy of public advertisement in local press</li> </ol> |

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| 3.2        | Following the application for the Grant/Renewal of an Entertainment Licence being submitted and validated, an inspection is carried out to ensure that the premises are in compliance with all relevant guidance and legislation.   |
| 3.3        | <p>Areas which would be inspected are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Means of escape from the venue i.e. Final Exit Doors and Easy Opening Devices are satisfactory and escape routes are free from obstruction etc.</li> <li>2. All floor, wall, and ceiling coverings are in compliance and in good condition</li> <li>3. All firefighting equipment are correctly positioned and serviced as required</li> <li>4. The general condition of the premises is satisfactory</li> <li>5. All management documentation is in place</li> </ol> |
| 3.4        | Entertainment licensing applications have continued to be processed where possible including statutory consultations with external Bodies as required by legislation.   |
| 3.5        | Licences have been issued where inspections had been completed and all points requiring attention have been addressed.  |
| 3.6        | Inspection of venues have continued where possible to do so and specifically where issues in relation to the current Covid-19 Guidance can be achieved.   |
| 3.7        | In addition, within the correspondence to all licensees which accompanies newly issued licences, it is highlighted that on re-opening of their premises, the numbers permitted are likely to be reduced in line with current Government Guidance regarding Covid-19.  |
| <b>4.0</b> | <b>Other Considerations</b>   |
| <b>4.1</b> | <b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>   |
|            | Financial: Within Current Resources   |
|            | Human: Within Current Resources   |
|            | Risk Management: Within Current Resources   |
| <b>4.2</b> | <b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>   |
|            | Equality & Good Relations Implications: None  |
|            | Rural Needs Implications: None  |

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| <b>5.0</b> | <b>Recommendation(s)</b>  |
| 5.1        | Members are requested to note the content of this report.                                       |
| <b>6.0</b> | <b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>  |
| 6.1        | Appendix 1 – Schedule of applications received for the Grant/Renewal of Entertainment Licences. |
| 6.2        | Appendix 2 – Schedule of Entertainment Licence applications which have been granted/renewed.    |