



## LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2023

### FILM CLASSIFICATION – 4 SHORT FILMS TO BE SCREENED AT ALDEBURGH CINEMA ON 22 JUNE 2023 AS PART OF THE ALDEBURGH FESTIVAL

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

1. An application requesting the classification of 4 short films has been received.
2. Arrangements were made for members of the Licensing Sub-Committee to view the film prior to the Licensing Sub-committee meeting.
3. The Sub-Committee is asked to determine the appropriate admission criteria for the films.

Is the report Open or Exempt?	Open
<b>Wards Affected:</b>	Aldeburgh and Leiston
<b>Cabinet Member:</b>	Cllr. Mike Ninnmey - Cabinet Member with responsibility for Community Health
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## 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1. Cinema proprietors licensed by the Council are obliged by the mandatory conditions attached to their premises licences to comply with the admission criteria awarded by the British Board of Film Classification (BBFC).
- 1.2. The same admission criteria should be used for any films presented to a Local Authority for classification which are to be shown to a public audience.

## 2. APPLICATION

- 2.1. The Licensing Team has received a request to arrange for the classification of 4 short films to enable it to be screened at Aldeburgh Cinema as part of the Aldeburgh Festival 2023. The request is attached at **Appendix A**.
- 2.2. The films have not been shown to the public before within the East Suffolk district and it is therefore necessary for this Authority to give them a suitable classification.

## 3. THE FILMS

- 3.1 The films will be available to the panel of Members to view prior to the hearing.

## 4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 Having viewed the films, the Sub-Committee is asked to determine the appropriate admission criteria for each film. The policies used by the BBFC when deciding classification for a film are attached as **Appendix B**.

APPENDICES	
<b>Appendix A</b>	Request for the classification of films.
<b>Appendix B</b>	British Board of Film Classification guidance.