



LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Committee Date: 7 December 2022

FILM CLASSIFICATION – FILMS TO BE SCREENED AT SNAPE MALTINGS AS PART OF THE ALDEBURGH FESTIVAL IN 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

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| Is the report Open or Exempt? | Open |
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| Wards Affected: | Rendlesham and Orford |
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| Cabinet Member: | Cllr. Mary Rudd - 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. These same admission criteria should be used for any film 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 films to enable them to be screened at the Snape Maltings next year. 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 the films.

The policies used by the BBFC when deciding classification for a film are attached as **Appendix B**.

| APPENDICES | |
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| Appendix A | Request for the classification of films. |
| Appendix B | British Board of Film Classification guidance. |