

**Unconfirmed**



Minutes of a Meeting of the **Licensing Sub-Committee** held in the Deben Conference Room, East Suffolk House, Melton, on **Friday, 21 October 2022 at 10.30am.**

**Members of the Sub-Committee present:**

Councillor Edward Back, Councillor Tony Cooper, Councillor Colin Hedgley

**Officers present:**

Teresa Bailey (Senior Licensing Officer), Martin Clarke (Legal Advisor), Matt Makin (Democratic Services Officer (Regulatory))

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**1 Election of a Chairman**

The Democratic Services Officer (Regulatory) opened the meeting and sought nominations for a Chairman.

On the proposition of Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Back it was

**RESOLVED**

That Councillor Colin Hedgley be elected as Chairman of the Licensing Sub-Committee for the meeting.

**2 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Alison Cackett, who had been listed as the reserve Member on the published agenda.

**3 Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were made.

**4 Declarations of Lobbying and Responses to Lobbying**

No declarations of lobbying were made.

**5 Film Classification - a series of short films to be screened at 3 venues across Lowestoft as part of the Lowestoft Film Festival**

The Sub-Committee received report **ES/1320** of the Senior Licensing Officer, which related to the classification of a series of short films to be screened at three venues across Lowestoft, as part of the Lowestoft Film Festival.

The Senior Licensing Officer advised that a request had been received to arrange for the classification of several short films to enable them to be screened at Old Court Buildings and the Britten Room at Lowestoft Library on 22 and 23 October 2022, and East Point Pavilion from 24 to 28 October 2022.

As the films had not been shown to the public before within East Suffolk, the Sub-Committee was asked to give them a suitable classification in accordance with the British Board of Film Classification (BBFC) guidelines. The Sub-Committee had viewed the films in the week prior to the meeting.

The Chairman invited the Sub-Committee to comment on the films. Members commented on the talent seen in the films, the bleakness of some and the brilliance of others. The Sub-Committee considered that most of the suggested classifications were appropriate but several of the films warranted a higher classification as they contained bad language, depictions of drug use and sexual content. Councillor Cooper particularly commended one of the films, titled "A Love Letter to Row 116".

It was noted that two of the films, "YH723" and "Small Town, Big Hell" had previously been viewed and classified by the Council.

Having applied the guidelines of the BBFC it was

#### **RESOLVED**

That the films to be screened at Old Court Buildings and the Britten Room at Lowestoft Library on 22 and 23 October 2022, and East Point Pavilion from 24 to 28 October 2022, as part of the Lowestoft Film Festival, be classified as follows:

Rise of Fizzy Pop - 15

PsycoPath - 12

When the Clapping Stops - Universal (U)

Love - Universal (U)

Cinema Now - Universal (U)

Back to Normal - Universal (U)

Memory - Parental Guidance (PG)

The One Percent - Parental Guidance (PG)

Five Moments - Parental Guidance (PG)

BeLly - Universal (U)

Variation - 15

Kingsdown - 15

Date Night - 12

The Late Night Show with Harry Vegas - 12

Tulips - Parental Guidance (PG)

Elena - Parental Guidance (PG)

Small Talks - Parental Guidance (PG)

A New Life - Universal (U)

Ladies Have We Progressed? - Parental Guidance (PG)

Catherine's Amazing Stars - Universal (U)

Help! I've Stolen Adam's Nose! - Parental Guidance (PG)

The Operator - Universal (U)

Sunstruck - Universal (U)

Girls Night - Parental Guidance (PG)

Practice - Universal (U)

Send Kelp - Universal (U)

Sensibility - Parental Guidance (PG)

Waiting Room - Universal (U)

Peach Fuzz - 12

A Change in Time - Universal (U)

The Call Out - Parental Guidance (PG)

Tourettes & I - 12

MERCY - 15

Two Man Rule - Parental Guidance (PG)

With Courage - Universal (U)

Disastrous - Parental Guidance (PG)

We feel as if you took it all - 12

Solitary - Parental Guidance (PG)

Coasting - Universal (U)

A Love Letter to Row 116 - Parental Guidance (PG)

Drowning - Parental Guidance (PG)

Fact or Fiction - Parental Guidance (PG)

In Peregrine Dreams - Universal (U)

She He It - 12

The meeting concluded at 11.02am.

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Chairman