

LICENSING BOARD INFORMATION SHEET

TYPE OF APPLICATION: VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE

PREMISES: BELMONT CINEMA, 49 BELMONT STREET

DESCRIPTION

- Extend the licensed area to include the auditoria, seminar rooms and all other public areas
- Vary the time to which children and young persons are allowed in the bar area from 20:00 to 21:00 hours.
- Change the terms of access for children aged 12 and over and young persons to allow them access unaccompanied by an adult.
- Add conference, restaurant and bar meals facilities.
- Add receptions, club meetings music and live performances.

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

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LICENSING POLICY STATEMENT

28 - LICENSING OBJECTIVE – PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM HARM

28.1 - The Board wishes to see child safe premises thriving in the city. It welcomes applications from those who wish to operate licensed premises which accommodate children and families. In determining any such application the risk of harm to children will be paramount.

28.2 Where applicants wish to operate such premises, the Board expects them to appreciate that this places additional responsibilities upon them at the same time as recognising that parents and other adults accompanying children also have responsibilities.

28.3 Children may be adequately protected from harm by the action taken to protect adults but they may also need particular measures to be taken. When addressing the issue of Protecting Children from Harm the applicant must consider those factors which may particularly impact on children.

28.4 The following examples of control measures are given to assist applicants.

- effective and responsible premises management
- adoption of best practice guidance
- limitations on the hours when children may be present, in all or parts of the premises
- limitations or exclusions by age when certain activities are taking place
- imposition of requirements for children to be accompanied by an adult
- acceptance of accredited proof of age cards with photographs, or passports
- measures to ensure children do not purchase, acquire or consume alcohol
- measures to ensure children are not exposed to incidences of violence or

disorder

- Appropriate training and supervision of those employed to secure protection of children from harm.
- Imposition of reasons for children to be present and/ or accompanied by a responsible person adult who shall have responsibility for, and supervise such children and young persons will normally only be admitted to licensed premises for the purpose of consuming light refreshments or a meal, partaking in a relevant sporting activity or attending a pre-arranged function or event.
- Enforcement of the mandatory Challenge 25 Policy.