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## **PART 9: PUBLIC ASSEMBLY AND ENTERTAINMENTS**

**9.1 Application** - This part of the Bylaw applies to all buildings or parts of buildings used for public entertainment of any kind including:

(a) - Any building used as a public hall, a theatre, a cinema, an assembly hall, a grandstand or any enclosure, ground or premises whatsoever intended for use by the public; and

(b) - Any amusement gallery, including shooting galleries and billiard rooms.

**9.2 Entertainment Premises to be Licensed** - No building or part of a building shall be used for public entertainments unless and until a current Entertainment Premises Licence in respect of the building is in force.

**9.3 Applications for Licences** - All applications for licences shall be made on the form supplied by the Council. The Council may require the applicant to provide such information as is necessary for proper consideration of the application.

**9.4 Issue of Licences** - The Council may issue an Entertainment Premises Licence in respect of any building on being satisfied:

(a) - That the applicant is a fit and proper person to be issued with such a licence; and

(b) - That the building complies in all respect with the provisions of this Bylaw and all other relevant laws, Bylaws, regulations or rules made by a competent authority; and

(c) - The fee fixed by the Council for the issue of the Licence has been paid.

**9.5 Matters which may be Provided for in Licence** - The Council may include conditions in any Entertainment Premises Licence concerning any of the following matters:

(a) - The maximum number of people who may occupy the premises

(b) - The hours during which and days on which the premises may be used

(c) - The numbers and positioning of toilets and other sanitary facilities to be provided

(d) - Equipment to be provided to safeguard against fire and to fight fire and to afford the means of escape in the event of fire.

(e) - The age limit to be placed on patrons either at all times or at any particular times.

(f) - Any other matter relating to the health, safety or the orderly conduct of patrons of the entertainment premises.

**9.6 Duration of Licences** - Entertainment Premises Licences issued under this Bylaw shall unless otherwise provided by the terms of the licence be valid for one year from their date of issue provided that the Council may at its discretion issue temporary licences for shorter periods.

**9.7 Licence may be Cancelled or Suspended** - The Council may cancel or suspend any Entertainment Premises Licence for any period as it thinks fit if it is satisfied:

- (a) - The holder is not or is no longer a fit and proper person to hold the licence; or
- (b) - The building does not meet the criteria set out in 9.4 for the issue of a licence; or
- (c) - The building is being used for purposes other than those stated in the application for the licence; or
- (d) - The building is being used in a way that breaches a condition of the licence in a manner that amounts to a nuisance to nearby residents or to the public.

**9.8 Transfer of Licences** - Entertainment Premises Licences issued under this Bylaw may be transferred with the consent of the Council which shall be granted provided:

- (a) - The premises continue to meet the criteria set out in 9.4 for the issue of a licence;
- and
- (b) - The proposed transferee is a fit and proper person to hold such a licence; and
  - (c) - The fee prescribed for the transfer of the licence has been paid.

**9.9 Access to be Afforded** - The holder of an Entertainment Premises Licence shall ensure that all officers of the Council duly authorised in this regard have access at all reasonable times including at all times that the premises are open to the public for the purposes of ensuring compliance with this Bylaw and the terms of the Entertainment Premises Licence.

**9.10 Directions to be Followed** - The holder of an Entertainment Premises licence or any person for the time being in charge of such premises shall comply with all lawful directions of

authorised officers of the Council and in particular shall immediately comply with any request:

- (a) - To open or close any doors, barriers, windows or ventilators; or
- (b) - As to the use of fires, lights or explosive materials; or
- (c) - As to the admission of members of the public or their remaining on the premises;

or

- (d) - As to the placement of seats or the removal of barriers or other obstructions.