

The Highland Licensing Committee

Meeting – 12 August 2014

Agenda Item	9.1
Report No	HLC/050/14

Application for the renewal of a public entertainment licence – Caledonia Community Leisure Ltd. t/a Inverness Leisure, Bught Lane, Inverness - (Ward 14 – Inverness West)

Report by the Legal Manager

Summary

This Report relates to an application for renewal of a public entertainment licence.

1.0 Background

1.1 An application for renewal of a public entertainment licence was received on 7 March 2014 from Caledonia Community Leisure Ltd. t/a Inverness Leisure, in respect of premises at Inverness Leisure, Bught Lane, Inverness.

1.2 A location plan is appended for Members information (Appendix 1).

2.0 Process

2.1 Following receipt of this application a copy of the same was circulated to the following Agencies/Services for consultation:

- Police Scotland
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
- Highland Council Environmental Health Service
- Highland Council Building Standards Service
- Highland Council Planning Service
- Highland Council Community Services (Roads)

2.2 Confirmation has been received from all Agencies/Services that they have no objections to the renewal application.

3.0 **Events**

3.1 In November 2013 a concert by the band Texas was successfully held in the main hall of Inverness Leisure. The capacity for the event was 2100.

3.2 Whilst the public entertainment licence permits musical performances and concerts to be held in the premises, due to the scale of the abovementioned event and the additional infrastructure which was being brought in e.g. staging, barriers, PA system etc., it was agreed with Inverness Leisure and the concert promoters that a Multi-Agency approach be taken to ensure all aspects of stewarding, traffic management, medical provision, health, safety, welfare and certification for the temporary structures were addressed.

3.3 The Multi-Agency Events Group which consists of representatives from the Police, Fire Service, Scottish Ambulance Service, Licensing, Environmental Health, Building Standards, Community Services (Roads) and Emergency Planning Services met with Inverness Leisure and the promoters and invited them to submit a detailed event management plan and layout plan for the event which was subsequently discussed and signed off by all members of the Multi-Agency Group.

4.0 **Additional Condition**

4.1 In response to the consultation in relation to the abovementioned renewal application the Council's Environmental Health Service suggested that an additional condition could be added to the licence which would formalise the process detailed in paragraph 3 above.

4.2 Any additional conditions which are added to a licence require to be agreed by the Licensing Committee.

4.3 Members are therefore invited to consider adding the following condition to the public entertainment licence for Inverness Leisure:

Where an event is to take place in the premises which will have, or likely to have, more than 1500 persons attending and where additional temporary infrastructure is being erected, the licence holder will arrange for an event specific management plan and floor/layout plan to be submitted.

This management plan and layout plan must then be approved by the Council prior to the event taking place.

5.0 **Policies**

5.1 The following policies are relevant to this application:

Highland Council public entertainment conditions and standards. A copy of these can accessed at:

http://www.highland.gov.uk/info/1125/licences_permits_and_permissions/298/entertainment_licences/2

or a hard copy can be supplied where requested.

6.0 Recommendation

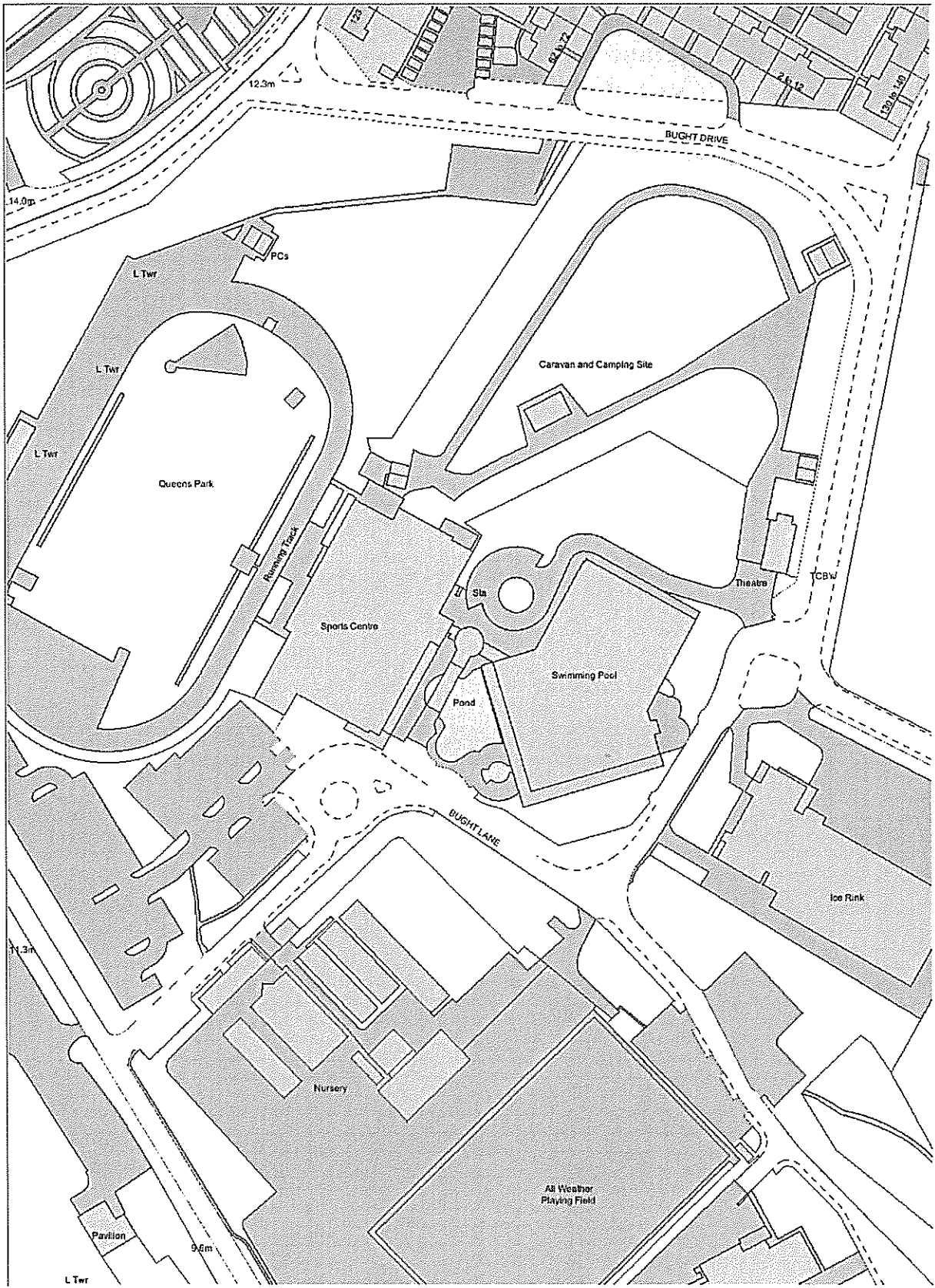
Members are **invited** to give consideration to renewing the public entertainment licence detailed above with the additional condition as detailed in paragraph 4.3 of the report.

Designation: Legal Manager

Officer Reference: Michael Elsey

Date: 24 July 2014

Attachments: Appendix 1 – Location plan of premises



Inverness Leisure, Bught Park, Inverness
Scale 1:2000

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