

To: GENERAL PURPOSES (LICENSING) SUB-COMMITTEE	Subject: SAFETY OF SPORTS GROUNDS: CERTIFICATION ARRANGEMENTS – EXCELSIOR STADIUM, AIRDRIE
From: DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION	
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1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Council has, at a series of earlier meetings, adopted practices in relation to its responsibilities for the certification of "Designated Grounds" in North Lanarkshire and agreed to the establishment of a Safety of Sports Grounds Officer Working Group representing a variety of disciplines which assists the process of certification.
- 1.2 The Council has also agreed that a programme of annual inspections be established and, over the past few months, Officers of the Working Group have carried out a series of inspections at Excelsior Stadium and have met with representatives from stadium management to discuss a number of issues relating to the General Safety Certificate for the Stadium.

2 Current Position

- 2.1 As a result of these inspections the undernoted matters have been identified as requiring attention, details of which have been passed to the Stadium Manager:-
- 2.1.1 an Annual Certificate for the Emergency Generator to be provided, and
- 2.1.2 the establishment of a maintenance regime for the CCTV system.
- 2.2 In addition to the foregoing, the Stadium Manager has submitted a Certificate of Structural Integrity/Risk Assessment and a Periodic Inspection Report for the Electrical Installations. Copies of these documents will be circulated to relevant members of the Safety of Sports Grounds Officer Working Group for consideration.

3 Recommendation

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Sub-Committee hear verbal updates on these outstanding issues by the appropriate officers and representations from the Stadium Manager and consider the renewal of the General Safety Certificate.


Director of Administration

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