

# Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS 1925 - 2014

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APPLICATION FOR LICENCE FOR  
EVENTS AT MARLAY PARK

On dates between 29<sup>th</sup> June and 20<sup>th</sup> July 2014 (inclusive)

**LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT**

- i) Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, Part XVI;
- ii) Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended.

Part XVI of the Planning and Development Acts, 2000, as amended provides for the requirement of a licence for the holding of outdoor events. Section 231 refers to Regulations relating to matters of procedure and administration for applications and the granting of licenses. S.I. No. 600 of 2001 and S.I. No. 116 of 2012 currently pertain. An event is defined in Section 229 of the Act as:

(a) "a public performance which takes place wholly or mainly in the open air or in a structure with no roof or a partial, temporary structure and which is comprised of music, dancing, displays of public entertainment or any activity of a like kind, and"

(b) "any other event as prescribed by the Minister under section 241"

Article 183 of the Planning and Development (Licensing of Outdoor Events) Regulations, 2001, defines an event as being "an event at which the audience comprises 5,000 or more people shall be an event prescribed for the purposes of Section 230 of the Act."

**APPLICATION**

Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council received an application for a licence from Festival Republic Ltd., on behalf of MCD Productions on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2014. It is proposed that a series of concerts be held between 29<sup>th</sup> June and 20<sup>th</sup> July 2014 (inclusive) at Marlay Park.

The applicant has submitted 2 no. Draft Event Management Plans. One relates to Single Stage Concerts and another to Longitude (a weekend-long event).

#### Single Stage Concerts

The applicant states that the maximum anticipated attendance at each event is 41,000 people. The applicant states that the events will in general be no longer than 9 hours in duration and will start at between 14:00 hrs and 16:00hrs. Each event will finish at 23:00hrs. The gates will open at 14:00.

#### Longitude (weekend event 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> July inclusive)

The applicant states that the maximum anticipated attendance at each event is 9,999 people. The applicant states that the events will in general be no longer than 9 hours in duration and will start at 14:00 hrs. Each event will finish at 23:00hrs. The gates will open at 13:30hrs.

The application includes 2 no. Draft Event Management Plan, which notes that cognisance of the following Codes of Practice and Publications, was made in the preparation of the Draft Event Management Plan:

1. *Code of Practice for Safety at Outdoor Pop Concerts and Other Outdoor Musical Events*, which is a voluntary, Code issued by the, Department of Education, January 1996.
2. *Code of Practice for Management of Fire Safety in Places of Assembly* Department of Environment, 1989.
3. *Code of Practice for Fire Safety of Furnishings and Fittings in Places of Assembly*, Department of Environment, 1989.
4. *Code of Practice for Safety and Indoor Concert*, Department of Environment, 1998.
5. *Code of Practice for Safety at Sports Grounds*, Department of Education, 1996.

6. *Temporary Demountable Structures, Guidance on Procurement, Design and Use*, The Institute of Structural Engineers, 2007.

The application also states that the event will be planned to ensure compliance with the Fire Services Act 1981 and the Fire Safety in Places of Assembly (Ease of Escape) Regulations.

The Draft Management Plan includes the following headings:

1. Introduction
2. Organisation and Staffing
3. Safety Strategy
4. The Stage & Temporary Structures
5. Front of Stage Barrier
6. Noise
7. Traffic Management
8. Entry to Site
9. Spectators with Disabilities
10. Stewarding & Site Security
11. Crowd Management
12. Means of Escape and Exit Routes
13. Medical Facilities, First-Aid and Ambulances
14. Emergency Plans
15. Fire Precautions and Safety Measures
16. Communication (Inc. Public Address System)
17. Sanitary Accommodation
18. Environmental Monitoring
19. Electrical Installation and Auxilliary Power and Emergency Lighting
20. Traders and Vendors
21. Miscellaneous Provisions

It is considered that the application complies with requirements set out in Article 187 of the Planning and Development Regulations of 2001 in it's form and content.

## **NOTIFICATION PROCESS**

Article 186(1) of the Regulations provides as follows: -

"An application must be made at least 10 weeks prior to the date for the holding of the event to which the application relates or, in the case of an application for a number of events at a venue in a period not exceeding one year, at least 10 weeks prior to the holding of the first event."

Note: The application was lodged on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2014, and is therefore in excess of 10 weeks prior to the date of the first proposed event on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

## **DECISION ON APPLICATION**

S. 231 (3) (a) of the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 (as amended) states that: -

"Where an application for a licence is made in accordance with regulations under this section, the local authority may decide to grant the licence, grant the licence subject to conditions as it considers appropriate or refuse the licence."

## **MARLAY PARK AND HOUSE**

Marlay Park is a major public park located in the administrative county of Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown, circa 1 k.m. West of Ballinteer. The park is situated between Grange Road to the north and east of it and College Road & Southern Cross Route motorway to the south. South Dublin County Council administrative area (Grange golf course) adjoins the park to the west. The main road access to Marlay Park is via Grange Road to the north of Marlay House. Beyond Grange Road to the north and east there are extensive sub urban residential areas. Marlay Park and House are in the ownership of Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council.

The park serves the local community, but is also used on a regional basis by the wider population of the Dublin region. The main activities for which the park is used includes, walking, children's play, team sports on allocated pitches, golf and tourist type activities associated with the House and it's walled gardens.

The park has accommodated significant public events in recent years with a maximum attendance of approximately 40,000 persons.

### **DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

In the Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development 2010-2016, the event site is zoned Objective 'F'-"To preserve and provide for open space and recreational amenities" with a specific objective to protect and preserve Trees and Woodlands. It is noted that the Wicklow Way traverses the Park. Marlay House is a Protected Structure, which includes the stableyard / craft area.

It is considered that the licence complies with the provisions of the DLR County Development Plan 2010-2016.

### **WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO PRESCRIBED BODIES**

Article 189 (1) of S.I. 600 requires that the licence application be circulated to certain prescribed bodies. The Council submitted copies of the application to:

1. Environmental Health Officer, HSE (Health Service Executive) Dublin Mid-Leinster
2. Environmental Health Officer, East Coast Area Health Board
3. Environmental Health Officer, Air and Noise Unit, Fingal County Council
4. Chief Emergency Planning Officer, HSE Dublin Mid Leinster
5. Environmental Health Officer, HSE Environmental Health Department
6. Chief Superintendent, An Garda Síochána
7. Chief Fire Officer, Dublin Fire Brigade
8. County Manager, South Dublin County Council
9. Irish Water

**Health Service Executive-Emergency Management Office**

A written response was received (dated 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2014), which stated that the HSE was not yet in a position to approve an event specific medical plan however "...that the approval of an event specific medical plan (and any other environmental health requirement referenced plan) in line with 'Health Service Executive Requirements and Guidance for Outdoor Crowd Events, December 2012' should be a named condition of any grant of licence".

A verbal report was received 20/5/2014, which stated that the proposed event is acceptable subject to condition.

**HSE Dublin Mid-Leinster -Environmental Health Officer**

A written response was received (dated 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2014), which details a number of conditions on which the granting of a licence should be based.

**Dublin Fire Brigade**

A written response was received from the Assistant Chief Fire Officer (dated 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2014), which details a number of conditions on which the granting of a licence should be based.

**Garda Síochána**

A written response was received from the Chief Superintendent (dated 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2014), which details a number of conditions on which the granting of a licence should be based.

**Environmental Health Officer- Air and Noise Unit**

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**CONTACT DETAILS FOR PRESCRIBED BODIES:**

<b>Prescribed Bodies</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
Imelda Winters, Environmental Health Officer &Kieran Carberry, Principal E.H.O.,	8 Corrig Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin	(01) 280 2566

Environmental Health Service, HSE Dublin Mid-Leinster.		
Chief Superintendent Michael O'Sullivan, An Garda Síochána	D.M.R. South Division, Crumlin Garda Station, Dublin 12.	(01) 666 6292/93
Vincent Cronly, Emergency Management Officer, Emergency Management Office, Regional Health Office, HSE Dublin Mid-Leinster.	Area Office, Arden Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly	(057) 93 15875
Richard Hedderman, Assistant Chief Fire Officer, Dublin Fire Brigade	Dublin Fire Brigade H.Q., 165-169 Townsend Street, Dublin 2.	(01) 673 4000
Selina Gallagher, E.H.O.	Air & Noise Unit, Fingal County Council, Grove Road, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15	(01) 890 5982

#### **WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS / OBSERVATIONS**

No third party submissions / observations were received in the prescribed period.

#### **SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION**

The newspaper notice as submitted refers to the 'anticipated number of audience attending the event is 41,000 people'. The Draft Event Management Plan for the weekend-long event (18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> July, Longitude) states that the anticipated number of audience attending the event each day is 9,999.

It is considered that the Applicant should be requested to provide clarification in relation to the anticipated audience attendance figures. If it is proposed to increase the event's capacity, this should be stated and a revised Event Management Plan (for this portion of the event) and site layout plan submitted, reflecting this.

Further Information is therefore requested under Article 190 (1) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, in order to allow the local authority to make a decision under Section 231 (3) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

1. The newspaper notice as submitted refers to the 'anticipated number of audience attending the event is 41,000 people'. The Draft Event Management Plan for the weekend-long event (18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> July, Longitude) states that the anticipated number of audience attending the event each day is 9,999.

The Applicant is therefore requested to provide clarification in relation to the anticipated audience attendance figures. If it is proposed to increase the weekend-long event's capacity, this should be stated and a revised Event Management Plan (for this portion of the event) and site layout plan submitted, reflecting this.

**RESPONSE TO FURTHER INFORMATION REQUEST:**

The applicants responded to the Further Information request on 28/05/2014 as follows:

- o Confirmed that the proposed capacity for the Longitude festival is 20,000 persons per day.
  
- o Submitted a revised Site layout Plan and a revised Arena Plan as well as an Event Management Plan reflecting this increase in capacity.

**RESPONSE FROM PRESCRIBED BODIES:**

The majority of the prescribed bodies had no further comment to make, two bodies did, namely the Health Service Executive and An Garda Síochána and their comments are repeated below.

**Health Service Executive:**

The HSE reiterated its requirement

- o "...that the approval of an event specific medical plan (and any other environmental health requirement referenced plan) in line with 'Health



Service Executive Requirements and Guidance for Outdoor Crowd Events, December 2012' should be a named condition of any grant of licence".

**An Garda Síochána:**

It is requested that the amended plan should include the following:

- o "The solid steel fencing should be extended from the left hand side of Stage One (Grid 6F) to join up with the solid steel fencing to the left of Marlay House (Grid 2H). This will ensure that all patrons once they entered the site at either gate A or Gate B will be within a permanent cordon.
  
- o The solid steel fencing to the rear of Marlay House should be extended to ensure that the public toilets fall within the cordon for use by the Gardaí, Stewards and other event personnel.
  
- o The fencing to the right of the arena should be extended across to Marlay Grove House to prevent any patrons accessing the grounds of the private residence".

**Planning Comment:**

The content of the two submissions are noted. In particular it is noted that the revised requirements of An Garda Síochána relates to internal site management and fencing. Furthermore it is noted that the revised plans submitted do propose fencing at these locations, albeit a less robust type, i.e. 'Heras' as opposed to 'Steelshield' fencing. In this regard it is considered appropriate to include this requirement unless otherwise agreed prior to the event.

It is considered that applicants have adequately addressed the issue raised in the Request for Further Information and have successfully amended the Draft event Management Plan accordingly. It is therefore recommended that a licence be issued subject to the following conditions.

1. The Outdoor Events License shall be for a maximum of five single stage concerts, which shall be held on the following dates: Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June, Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July and Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July and one weekend-long event (Longitude) which shall be held on the following dates, Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July, Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2014. The Outdoor Events Licence shall be for a

maximum capacity of 41,000 people each day for the Single Stage Concerts and 20,000 each day for the weekend- long event (Longitude). All plans and proposals submitted, as part of the application and amended by those submitted on the 28/05/2014 in response to the Request for Further Information shall be implemented in full save as may be required by the other conditions attached hereto.

2. An Event Management Plan shall be formally agreed with Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, Dublin Fire Brigade H.Q., Health Service Executive and An Garda Síochána - a minimum of one week before the first event and written confirmation of agreement shall be submitted to the Council prior to commencement of the event. Subsequently, the agreed Management Plan shall be implemented in full.

#### AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA

3. Proper and comprehensive management of those attending the event (including parking, access and egress) will be important to minimise interference with expected normal traffic volumes. Arrangements regarding parking at College Road will be agreed in advance with An Garda Síochána (contact Chief Superintendent Michael O'Sullivan, Crumlin Garda Station, Ph. 01 666 6292/93).

4. There shall be no charge applied for patrons of the concert parking at the concert.

5. The promoter will appoint a 'Car Park Controller' for each car park. Names/Contact information shall be supplied to An Garda Síochána in advance of the event.

6. The Promoter shall ensure advance-warning signs are in place to provide information / directions to persons attending the concert and other road users. Locations for same to be agreed in advance with An Garda Síochána and the Local Authority.

7. All media releases relating to traffic management in connection with concert to be approved by An Garda Síochána.

8. Stewarding to be provided by the promoter at all entries to the concert site and at other locations as agreed with Superintendent (Tallaght).

9. Stewarding shall be provided by the promoter at the main exit each evening after concerts to ensure orderly crowd dispersal and to provide stewarding to ensure that designated emergency routes are kept clear.

10. The promoter shall provide lighting at all access/egress locations.

11. Locations of alcohol sales within the concert grounds to be strictly controlled / monitored by stewards to the satisfaction of An Garda Síochána.

12. Sale of alcohol to be limited to Beer and Wine only at the Single Stage Concerts. With sale of alcohol limited to that agreed with the Gardaí at the weekend-long event (Longitude).

13. All security personnel to wear identifiable tabards, which will be numbered in order that the wearer can be identified. Security personnel shall be directed not to exchange tabards with each other. Photographs shall be taken by concert promoter of each security officer with his/her tabard number, these records to be retained by the promoter and made available to An Garda Síochána as necessary.

14. A full list of security personnel (including the duties assigned to each and details of any vehicles used) to be provided to Superintendent (Tallaght) not less than one week prior to the event.

15. A senior officer of An Garda Síochána to be entitled to attend at, and contribute to, pre event briefing of security personnel.

16. A suitable discreet location shall be made available to An Garda Síochána within the Concert grounds to conduct Drug searches etc. (A tent as supplied in previous years will be adequate in this regard.)

17. The promoter shall agree to employ / pay for numbers of Gardaí on non-public duty for each concert, as agreed with, and to the satisfaction of An Garda Síochána.

18. The promoter shall pay for other policing costs in respect of Gardaí employed in the policing of these concerts. Numbers of members of An Garda Síochána deployed to be agreed between the Chief Superintendent (DMR South) and the promoter.

19. The promoter is required to discharge non-public policing costs with the numbers of Gardaí required for this duty, this number to be determined at the sole discretion of Chief Superintendent (DMR South Division/ local Garda Management).

20. The promoter shall provide for fully-functioning telephone, radio, fax and CCTV at the concert control room to the satisfaction of Superintendent (Tallaght).

21. The promoter shall provide a complete final event management plan (including site plan, traffic routes etc.) to An Garda Síochána not more than one week prior to the event.

22. The location of fencing within and around the event site, search/ ticket areas, bars and urinals shall be submitted to and agreed with An Garda Síochána prior to the first event. Notwithstanding the above and **unless otherwise agreed** as part of the weekend element (Longitude) the solid steel fencing should be extended from the left hand side of Stage One (Grid 6F) to join up with the solid steel fencing to the left of Marlay House (Grid 2H) in order to ensure that all patrons once they entered the site at either gate A or Gate B will be within a permanent cordon, in addition and again unless otherwise agreed, the solid steel fencing to the rear of Marlay House should be extended to ensure that the public toilets fall within the cordon for use by the Gardaí, Stewards and other event personnel. The fencing to the right of the arena should be extended across to Marlay Grove House to prevent any patrons accessing the grounds of the private residence.

23. Revised details shall be submitted to An Garda Síochána prior to the first event in relation to the exits including the numbering scheme and details of where the exits lead to.

24. Details of the hoarding proposed at the stage area shall be submitted to and agreed with An Garda Síochána prior to the first event.

25. Signage shall be placed on the 'Three Rock' gate, stating that there is no entrance for concert patrons.

26. Sufficient CCTV shall be provided at Entrance A and B, the bars and general site.

27. The entrance to the bars for patrons shall be set up in channels as opposed to the plans provided.

28. Sufficient CCTV shall be provided at the main site, stage 2 area and the wooded area where stages 3, 4 and the Red Bull stage are located for the weekend-long event (Longitude).

29. In the event of a dispute between An Garda Síochána and the promoter in regarding any aspect of the event, it shall be a condition that the requirements of Chief Superintendent (DMR South Division) shall take precedence.

#### **HEALTH SERVICE EXECUTIVE (EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE)**

30. An event specific medical plan and any other Environmental Health requirement referenced plans shall be submitted for approval as per HSE Emergency Management Office requirements one week prior to the first event.

31. The licence may be suspended by the Licensing Authority at the request of the HSE due to issues of public safety regarding major public health risks.

32. Any additional requirements of the HSE Emergency Management Office shall be resolved directly with said office prior to the event.

#### **HEALTH SERVICE EXECUTIVE (ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICE)**

##### **33. Sanitary Services**

a) The numbers of sanitary accommodation (including 2 disabled toilets) shall comply (as far as reasonably practical) with the standards set out in the Code of

Practice for Safety at Outdoor Events (Department of Education 1996). The following is required:

Females: 10 per 1,000:

Males: 10 per 1,000.

Sanitary accommodation (toilets/ urinals) shall be provided at every stage area (for weekend-long event 'Longitude') and in lighted wooded areas. Signage of sufficient size stating 'Sanitary Accommodation' or 'Toilets' must be erected in areas where the public can clearly view.

b) The location and design specification of the sanitary accommodation must be agreed with Environmental Health Officer, Kieran Carberry (contact no. 01 280 2566) (prior to concerts). All sanitary accommodation units must be in-situ and in proper working order 24 hours before the gates open.

c) A suitable non-slip surface, adequately drained must be provided at all sanitary accommodation areas.

d) It is recommended that no non-flush chemical toilets be used.

e) There must be wall-mounted receptacles, which dispense liquid antibacterial gel. These must be supplied in sufficient numbers outside each block of toilets. The gel shall be replaced as required. Signs of sufficient size stating "anti bactericidal gel" must be erected in areas where the public can see.

f) Cleaning staff must be supplied in sufficient numbers and trained commensurate with their duties. A copy of the Companies cleaning manual, training manual and check sheet (stating that all toilets have been cleaned, equipped with hand drying facilities and filled to recommended level) must be supplied to the Environmental Health Officer on duty 24 hours prior to the commencement of each event. (A copy of this condition must be sent to the Sanitary Service Contractor and Cleaning Contractor (if different)). Another cleaning check sheet is required to be drawn up by the cleansing company. It must be filled in during each event. This must state the time, method of cleaning, the toilet block and person who cleaned each block.

g) Cleaning staff must be supplied with adequate personal protective equipment (PPE).

h) The requirements of the Irish Water in relation to the disposal of waste water from sanitary accommodations and urinals shall be adhered to.

i) The contact details of at least two members of the Cleansing Company (on duty at each event) must be supplied and submitted to the Environmental Health office.

#### **34. Drinking Water**

a) Drinking water must be in compliance with the European Union (Drinking Water) Regulations 2014. A Drinking Water Safety Management Plan must be contained within the Final Event Management Plan. This Drinking Water Safety Management Plan shall include independent Microbiological and Chlorine sampling of the proposed water source, samples must be taken a minimum of fourteen days before the date of the event or as agreed with the Environment Health Officer. Samples must also be taken from the drinking water outlets (after the pipes have been flushed) prior to each event. Results of these analyses must be faxed through to the Environmental Health section one week prior to the event in the case of the water source samples and 24 hours prior to the event in the case of the drinking water outlets (where pipes have been flushed). (Contact Kieran Carberry ph. no. 01 280 2566)

b) The applicant must confirm what precautions will be taken to ensure that the water supply is and remains fit for human consumption throughout the duration of all events.

c) There shall be a Drinking Water Safety Emergency Contingency Plan developed, so that if there are harmful micro-organisms found in the water supply it can be put into action. The use of emergency potable water storage back up tank is advised, such storage tank must be capable of supplying enough water to the event in the case of an emergency. Adequate disinfection of the emergency supply must be undertaken prior to use. Competent personnel must be employed to oversee this plan and names of personnel must be supplied to Environmental Health. One member of personnel shall develop a map of all pipe connections (permanent and temporary) and location of original water sources must be drawn up. This map must be

accompanied by a list stating the date and time the pipe was flushed, the method used to flush the pipe and who flushed them. The map shall be submitted to the Environmental Health Office 1 week prior to the event and the list shall be submitted 24 hours prior to the concerts. Drinking water points must be specified and located near front of stage areas. A copy of this Drinking Water Safety Emergency Contingency Plan must be submitted to the Environmental Health Office, 8 Corrig Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

d) A minimum of one drinking water supply point shall be provided per thousand persons attending each event. The drinking water facilities should be dispensed through spring-loaded taps and have adequate waste drainage. A suitable non-slip surface that is adequately drained must be provided at each location. Adequate signage must be put in place to indicate drinking water supply points.

### 35. Tobacco Control

a) Each event must be in compliance with the Public (Health) Tobacco Acts 2002 – 2011.

b) All main buildings, marquees, temporary workplaces, kitchens, canteens, offices, restrooms, dressing rooms must be fitted with no smoking signs.

c) All security staff shall be made aware of the above Acts and shall deal with individuals who contravene this legislation.

d) Specific security staff must be allocated to aid and assist the Environmental Health Officers on duty during the event and mobile phone numbers provided.

36. The promoter is required to confirm in writing to Environmental Health that all these requirements will be in place a minimum of 24 hours prior to the event. Contact Kieran Carberry, Principal Environmental Health Officer, ph. 01 280 2566.

37. Any outdoor smoking area shall be in compliance with the Public Health (Tobacco) (Amendment) Act 2004 which allows for 2 types of outdoor smoking facility:



'a place or premises, or part of a place or premises, that is wholly uncovered by any roof, whether fixed or movable' [Art. 16 (7) (c)]

'an outdoor part of a place or premises covered by a fixed or movable roof, provided that not more than 50 per cent of the perimeter of that part is surrounded by one or more wall or similar structures' (inclusive of windows, doors, gates or other means of access to or egress from that part) [Art. 16 (7) (d)].

### 38. Food Control

The Principle Environmental Health Officer HSE must be consulted with. Requirements set out must be adhered to.

### DUBLIN FIRE BRIGADE

39. A finalised Event Management Plan to be submitted a minimum of one week in advance of the event.

40. Finalised drawings to be submitted a minimum of one week in advance of the event.

a) Site Layout Plans should be to a minimum scale of 1:500.

b) A list of key personnel (event controller, event safety officer, etc) and their telephone numbers should be included on the site layout plan.

c) Stage barriers including the sightline barriers should be clearly indicated on the drawings, complying with Section 8 of the *Code of Practice for Safety of Outdoor Pop Concerts and Other Outdoor Musical Events*, 1996.

d) The access and egress routes including the occupant capacities and exit width dimensions should be clearly indicated for the different areas in use e.g. stages, tented structures, guest areas, etc. and the total occupant capacity for the overall venue.

e) The estimated peak occupancies for the general standing/ seating areas should be clearly indicated.

f) Drawings clearly indicating the designated emergency access and egress routes for fire appliances including the location of fire hydrants, water supplies to be used for fire fighting operations, places of special risks, control room location etc.

41. Exit routes:

a) Exit routes and means of escape shall comply with the requirements of Chapter fifteen, Code of Practice for Safety of Outdoor Pop Concerts and Other Outdoor Musical Events, 1996.

b) At all times while the premises is in use the ground surfaces, including exit routes must be maintained in a safe condition, free from slip or trip hazards etc. This may necessitate the installing of suitable ground coverings. Exit routes must be available for immediate use and capable of safely evacuating the capacity crowd regardless of weather conditions.

42. Signage:

Sign design and size should be consistent throughout the venue (refer to S.I. No. 132/1995 and BS5499-4: 2000).

All exit signs should be illuminated. The green figure on signs is preferred for externally illuminated signs. The white figure is preferred for internally illuminated signs (BS5499-4: 2000).

Directional arrows should be as per standards referred.

Exits to be labeled e.g. 'Exit #', etc.

Exit signage to be separated from signage for other facilities i.e. toilets, drinking water, etc.

43. Stewards are to be trained in emergency and evacuation procedures, in particular the duties and responsibilities of stewards should be in accordance with Section 13.6 – 13.12 (inclusive of the *Code of Practice for Safety of Outdoor Pop Concerts and Other Musical Events, 1996*).

44. Concession Units and Staff Training:

a. Concession units using gas fired cooking equipment to be sited at least 6 metres from any other unit in accordance with Section 22.5 of the *Code of Practice for Safety of Outdoor Pop Concerts and Other Outdoor Musical Events, 1996*.

b. The gas supply to the above units (including all associated safety cages, chains for securing, etc.) to be provided by a suitably qualified and competent expert.

c. All concession units to have a fire blanket and fully working fire extinguisher.

d. All concessionary staff to be fully trained in emergency and evacuation procedures, fire hazards and the use of fire extinguishers by a suitably qualified and competent expert. This must be completed prior to the site opening to the general public. Records of such training shall be available for inspection.

Concessionary units unable to produce such records shall not be permitted to open for business.

e. All concessionary units to be provided with a conspicuously located emergency knock-off switch, for shutting off the gas / electricity in the event of an emergency. All staff to be aware of its location.

f. Generators are to be provided with a minimum of 3 metres spacing from any concession unit / tented structure / stage, etc.

**45. Bar Facilities Layout:**

The layout of the proposed bar facilities shall be such that all bar counters shall afford a minimum of two means of escape for staff, generally located at opposite ends of the counter.

**46. Stage Layout:**

The layout of all proposed stages shall be such that they shall afford a minimum of two means of escape, generally located at opposite ends of such stages.

**47. Vehicle Parking:**

Vehicle parking is not to obstruct exit routes, fire brigade access routes or facilities for fire fighting. Vehicles to be parked in designated parking areas only and are not to be parked within 3 metres separation distance of concession units.

**48. Certification:**

The promoter / event licence holder is responsible for appointing a Fire Safety Consultant, who must be a qualified independent professional with experience and competency in fire prevention and safety in the event of fire with regard to large concerts.

The Fire Safety Consultant must be assigned to check and certify the fire safety of the concert site. Such checking and certification must be completed at least 2 hours before the opening of the site to the public or 2 hours before the scheduled opening (which ever is earlier).

The Fire Safety Consultant must also certify in advance the fire safety precautions of any proposed pyrotechnic display and certify that the display is prepared for in accordance with Guidance Document on Organised Pyrotechnic Displays - 2011, published by the Department of Justice.

Certification related to fire safety by other parties must also be checked by the Fire Safety Consultant for example with regard to:

Staff training

LPG (liquefied petroleum gas) Installation

Electrical Installation

Emergency Lighting

Lining Materials

First Aid Fire Fighting Equipment (fire extinguishers, fire blankets, etc.)

Fireworks / Pyrotechnics

Etc.

All certification should be kept on site in the safety file, available for inspection. A copy of any certificate must be submitted on request.

**HEALTH SERVICE EXECUTIVE (ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER, AIR & NOISE UNIT)**

49. The music level should not exceed 72dB (A) LAeq, over a fifteen-minute period, at one metre from the façade of any noise sensitive premises for events being held.

50. The appointment of a qualified and experienced noise control consultant to liaise between the event promoter, Festival Republic Ltd, the sound engineer and the Environmental Health Officer for Noise Pollution on all matters relating to the noise control prior to and during the event.

51. The appointed noise control consultant shall monitor noise levels at thirty-minute intervals to ensure noise levels are not exceeded. An Environmental Health officer shall have access to the results of the monitoring at any time and a copy of these shall be forwarded to Noise Pollution Officer within 3 working days after the event.

Compliance with specific noise levels at the nearest noise sensitive area during rehearsals, sound checks and the event is required.


Compliance with the stated start time for each event held is required. All events to finish no later than 23:00 hrs.

Compliance with stated start times is required, no activity shall be carried out which is likely to cause a noise nuisance to residents such as dismantling stage, movement of equipment etc.

(Contact Selina Gallagher, Ph. 01-8905982)

52. Non-compliance with any of the above conditions shall result in a fine not exceeding €10,000 for each and every occurrence.

Date: 16.6.14

  
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Mary Henchy,  
Senior Planner,  
Planning and Enterprise  
Department.

**ORDER:** The Granting of a Licence to MCD Productions under Section 231 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) for the holding of concerts which shall be held between the following dates between 29<sup>th</sup> June and 20<sup>th</sup> July 2014

(inclusive) in Marlay Park is hereby approved subject to the 52 conditions contained on the foregoing report of the Senior Planner.

Date: 12/6/14

Approved Officer: 

Thereunto empowered by order of Príomhfheidhmeannach, Comhairle Contae Dhún Laoghaire-Ráth An Dúin, Order No. 1853, dated 26/5/14, delegating to me all her powers, functions and duties in relation to the County Council of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown in respect of this matter.