

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

### **You asked:**

**1. If your local authority has adopted the powers afforded by the Sexual Entertainment Venues policy.**

#### **ANSWER**

Yes, this was adopted by full Council on 7 March 2011. A decision on the limit on the number of venues was announced by Cabinet on 25 July 2011. This policy took full effect on 1 April 2012.

**2. How many (if any) lap dancing clubs or any other establishments which offer sexual entertainment more than 12 times per year exist in your local authority, and the names of these venues.**

Two licensed venues – Platinum Lace and Spearmint Rhino. One premises that was refused a licence is appealing against that decision and so can operate in the meantime – this premises is Angels Gentlemen's Club.

**3. Whether there have been any objections to any venue's applications for SEV's, and if so, how many - and to which venue(s) were the objections directed at?**

Negative representations were made in relation to Panache and Angels Gentlemen's Club. Positive representations were made in relation to Platinum Lace.

**4. The date each application was approved or refused - or the date when applications will be decided upon.**

The decisions on all five premises that applied for SEVs were announced on 22 December 2011.

**5. If there are any documents relating to any hearings that have taken place, it would be very helpful if you could either provide the URL link, or provide me with the documentation if public access is permitted - whatever is easiest.**

The reports and minutes for all five applications on our website. The meetings of the Licensing Enforcement Sub-Committee took place on 8, 9 and 21 December, and can be found at:  
<http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk:8071/ieListMeetings.aspx?CIId=366&Year=2012>

More information about our policy on licensing sexual entertainment venues is also on the website, at:  
<http://www.leicester.gov.uk/your-council-services/cl/licensing/sex-establishments/>

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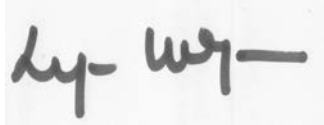
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynn Wyeth', is written on a light-colored rectangular background.

**Lynn Wyeth**  
**Information Governance Manager**