

Report to:	PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Michelle Wilson, Head of Building Control
Date of Meeting	10 April 2018

SAFETY OF SPORTS GROUND – BLACKPOOL FOOTBALL CLUB

1.0 Purpose of the report:

- 1.1 Blackpool Council has received an application for a special safety certificate to host a Pop Concert headlined by A-Ha at Blackpool Football Club on 16 June 2018. The certificate will allow an attendance of 13,206.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

- 2.1 To approve the issuing of the special safety certificate with a capacity of 13,206.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

- 3.1 Calculations have shown the capacity of 13,206 does not exceed the limits for ingress and egress as shown within the safety at sports ground guide. A previous concert in June 2014 had a capacity in excess of this number.

- 3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

- 3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

- 3.3 Other alternative options to be considered: N/A

4.0 Council Priority:

- 4.1 The relevant Council Priority is:

“The Economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool”

5.0 Background Information

- 5.1 The UB40 concert held on 16 June 2017 by the same promoter and safety team without any major issues transpiring.

- 5.2 A Safety Advisory Group has been held on 21 February 2018.
- 5.3 The police, fire authority and ambulance service have minor comments, but do not have any objections.
- 5.4 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No
- 5.5 **List of Appendices:**
- Appendix 3(a) - Copy of proposed Special Safety Certificate
Safety Advisory Group minutes dated 21 February 2018
- 6.0 **Legal considerations:**
- 6.1 None
- 7.0 **Human Resources considerations:**
- 7.1 None
- 8.0 **Equalities considerations:**
- 8.1 None
- 9.0 **Financial considerations:**
- 9.1 None
- 10.0 **Risk management considerations:**
- 10.1 None
- 11.0 **Ethical considerations:**
- 11.1 None
- 12.0 **Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:**
- 12.1 Police, fire authority and ambulance service
- 13.0 **Background papers:**
- 13.1 None