

LICENSING ACT 2003

Request to make a recommendation in respect of restrictions to access by children to screening of the film "Gurkha Beneath the Bravery"

Decision Record

APPLICANT: Madhu Gurung

FILM: Gurkha Beneath the Bravery

DATE OF HEARING: 12th October, 2021

MEMBERS SITTING: Cllrs Sue Carter, Christine Guinness and

Jacqui Vosper (Chairman)

DECISION

To apply a film classification of 12A.

REASONS

The Sub-Committee considered that a 12A rating was justified due to:

 Violence throughout the film which exceeded that which the Sub-Committee would consider mild. The Sub-Committee felt that the depiction of wartime violence fitted within the guidelines of 12A which stated "There may be moderate violence but it should not dwell on detail. There should be no emphasis on injuries or blood, but occasional gory moments may be permitted if justified by the context."

The Sub-Committee considered the historical context and that wartime violence would be expected by the audience.

 Infrequent strong language which the Sub-Committee felt was permitted within the guidelines of 12A but which would not have been permitted under a U or PG rating.