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Monday, 13 February 2023

#### Dear Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Licensing and Appeals Committee will be held on Tuesday, 21 February 2023 in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Foster Avenue, Beeston, Nottingham, NG9 1AB, commencing at 10.00 am.

Should you require advice on declaring an interest in any item on the agenda, please contact the Monitoring Officer at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

To Councillors: D Bagshaw (Chair) S Paterson

D Grindell (Vice-Chair) D D Pringle

T A Cullen P Roberts-Thomson

J C Goold P D Simpson R I Jackson C M Tideswell

R D MacRae I L Tyler

#### <u>AGENDA</u>

#### 1. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies and to be notified of the attendance of substitutes.

#### 2. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interest in any item on the agenda.

#### 3. MINUTES (Pages 3 - 4)

The Committee is asked to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2022.

#### 4. <u>REVIEW OF DANGEROUS WILD ANIMAL LICENCE</u> (Pages 5 - 30) APPLICATION STRELLEY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

To advise members of the application for a renewal of a Dangerous Wild Animal Act Licence and to confirm approval to grant renewal of the licence.

#### 5. <u>EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS</u>

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

#### 6. TAXI DRIVER APPEAL

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(Pages 45 - 54)

# TUESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2022

Present: Councillor D Bagshaw, Chair

Councillors: D Grindell (Vice-Chair)

J C Goold R I Jackson R D MacRae D D Pringle P D Simpson C M Tideswell I L Tyler

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors T A Cullen, S Paterson and P Roberts-Thomson.

#### 5 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

Councillor R D MacRae declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda items 5 and 6 due to having a personal relationship with the applicant and left the meeting prior to discussion. Minute numbers 9 and 10 refer.

#### 6 MINUTES

The minutes were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

#### 7 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

## 8 <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE</u>

The meeting procedure was noted. Members considered the report which sought a decision as to whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage/private driver's licence. Members considered the representations made by the applicant, who appeared in person, the Council's representative, the relevant legislation and the Council's Licensing Policy.

RESOLVED that the application be approved.

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**RESOLVED** that the application be approved.

#### 10 HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION

RESOLVED that the use of vehicle be approved.

21 February 2023

#### Report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer

# DANGEROUS WILD ANIMAL LICENCE RENEWAL APPLICATION STRELLEY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

#### 1. Purpose of Report

To advise Members of the application for a renewal of a Dangerous Wild Animal Act Licence and to seek Member's approval to grant renewal of the licence, subject to the conditions outlined in appendix 2.

#### 2. Recommendation

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE to determine the application for renewal of the Dangerous Wild Animal Act Licence with associated Conditions.

#### 3. <u>Details of Application</u>

Application Reference:	22/00440/EHDWA and further amendment in January	
	2023	
Location	Home Farm (and land to North of Home Farm), Main	
	Street, Strelley, Nottingham, NG8 6PD	
Proposal	To renew a licence to keep dangerous wild animals at the above address. The application includes 4 Lions - (1 Male and 3 female), 1 puma, 1 Lowland Tapir and 2 Asian Short Clawed Otters - (1 male and 1 female). The application also relates to amendment of additional keepers to assist in the care of the animals. A further	
	amendment application received in January 2023 for the addition of 2 ring tailed lemurs (1 male and 1 female).	

An application to renew a Dangerous Wild Animals licence was received in May 2022. The application included the addition of 2 Lion Cubs born on site and 2 Otters and specified additional keepers who assist with the care of the animals on site. The application was accompanied by a variety of documentation including a current certificate of public liability insurance.

The Council will consider applications for Dangerous Wild Animal Licences in accordance with the licensing objectives outlined in appendix 2 and in accordance with the procedure below.

#### 4. <u>Financial Implications</u>

The comments from the Head of Finance Services were as follows:

There are no financial implications at this stage, pending the outcome of the decision to grant the licence.

#### 5. <u>Legal Implications</u>

The comments from the Head of Legal Services were as follows: Chapter 3, Part 1, paragraph 1.3 of the Constitution states:

'Where a power has been delegated, the Council, Cabinet or Committee, or in the case of an Officer Sub-Delegation, the delegating Officer, may still exercise that power in a particular instance if considered appropriate. Equally, any matter may be referred up to the source of the delegation for determination'.

Due to there being a significant change of animal accommodation and species held and the wider public interest consideration this application will be considered by the Licensing and Appeals Committee.

#### 6. Human Resources Implications

Not applicable

#### 7. Union Comments

Not applicable

#### 8. <u>Data Protection Compliance Implications</u>

No additional comments have been provided.

#### 9. Equality Impact Assessment

The duty to deal with Dangerous Wild Animal Act applications is a longstanding one so an equality impact assessment is not required.

#### 10. Background Papers

None.

**APPENDIX 1** 

#### **Licensing and Appeals Hearing Procedure (Animal Licensing)**

- 1. The Chairman will open the hearing and introduce the Members of the Committee and Officers present.
- 2. The Chairman will ask the Applicant and his/her representative to introduce themselves.
- 3. The Chairman will remind (if necessary) the applicant that he/she can be represented by a legal representative at his/her own expense.
- 4. The Chairman will summarise the reason for the hearing.

NOTE: The Committee may ask for the relevant officer to present the case, although the report will contain the detail. This will mean that the applicant and members will be able to ask questions of the Officer

- 5. The Chairman will ask the applicant or his/her representative to present his/her case and may ask questions of Officers present.
- 6. The Chairman will invite members of the Committee, the Council's representative and the Legal Adviser to the Committee to ask questions of the Applicant/representative and witnesses to clarify any of the points made.
- 7. The Chairman will invite the Council's representative to sum up.
- 8. The Chairman will invite the applicant/representative to sum up.
- 9. The Chairman will ask the applicant/representative to confirm that he/she has said all he/she wishes to.
- 10. The Chairman will confirm with the members that they have all the information they require to properly consider the matter.
- 11. The Applicant and other parties present will leave the meeting so that the Committee can consider the matter in private
- 12. The Clerk and Legal Adviser will attend to advise the members.
- 13. If either the Council's representative or the Applicant/his/her representative is asked to clarify any of the points made, both parties must be present.
- 14. When the Committee has reached its decision, the Council's representative and the Applicant/representative will be invited back into the room. The Chairman will advise of the decision and the reason(s) for reaching it.

The Chairman will inform the Applicant of the date on which the decision will take effect, that it will be confirmed in writing within 5 working days and of any right of Appeal.

#### **Appeals**

Where—

(a)a person is aggrieved by the refusal of a local authority to grant a licence under this Act, or

(b)a person to whom such a licence has been granted is aggrieved by a condition of the licence (whether specified at the time the licence is granted or later) or by the variation or revocation of any condition of the licence, they may appeal to a magistrates' court; and the court may on such appeal give such directions with respect to the grant of a licence or, as the case may be, with respect to the conditions of the licence as it thinks proper, having regard to the provisions of this Act. An appeal should be made within 21 days of the notice of refusal.

**APPENDIX 2** 

#### **Background and Summary**

Keepers of animals listed on the Schedule and Modification Order within the Dangerous Wild Animals (DWA) Act 1976 require a licence. Licences are issued for 2 years. Licences have to ensure the following objectives are met:

- · That the animal be kept only by a person or persons named on the licence,
- Ensuring the welfare of any animals kept including in regards to its exercise, accommodation, food, drink, bedding, supervision/visits, prevention of infectious disease and that they are protected in case of fire or other emergency,
- Ensuring public safety,
- That the applicant is suitable on the grounds of they are over 18 and have not been convicted of an offence or disqualified from holding a licence or keeping animals under the relevant animal and welfare legislation including the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976, the Protection of Animals Act 1911 1964, Protection of Animals Scotland Act 1912 -1964, The Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals)(England) Regulations 2018 (previously including The Pet Animals Act 1951, Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963, Riding Establishment Act 1964 1970, Breeding of Dogs Act 1973), the Animal Welfare Act 2006 and the Zoo Licensing Act 1981
- Ensuring adequate public liability insurance is held,
- · Comply with conditions which restrict the number of animals kept,
- Ensuring the welfare and security of the animal including restrictions on the movement of the animals from the premises,
- That arrangements for emergency response are reasonable,
- That an inspection by the Council appointed Specialist Veterinary Officer has taken place.

The Licensing process cannot consider the moral grounds for keeping such animals, only if they are kept that the above objectives are achieved.

#### **Site Overview**

The area containing the large cat enclosure consists of a former agricultural field within green belt. There is a bridleway to the east. To the west is the M1 motorway. Immediately to the south of the site containing the large cat and otter enclosures are two semi-detached brick-built cottages. Over time changes have been made to improve the space, accommodation and welfare of the animals and were also made in consultation with the Licensing Department. The current Large Cat enclosure consists of a 3m high weld mesh fence with overhang and electrified wiring and double entrance lobbies as well as additional security features. This information is provided as it links to the objective relating to the welfare and security of the animals.

The Otter enclosure is located to the side of the existing ménage. The Lemur enclosure is located behind the stable block and near the outdoor lion enclosure.

The Tapir enclosure is located to the south of the main dwelling and extending into the garden area of the property.

An aerial site view is attached at appendix 3.

Photographs of some of the relevant enclosures are attached at appendix 4.

#### **Licensing History Overview**

The site was first licensed in May 2018 for a Puma. In January 2019 an amendment was issued for 2 young Lions. In 2020 the licence was renewed for these animals. In August 2021 a Tapir was added. On 1st March 2022, 2 female Lion cubs were born on site. In 2022 2 Otters were also acquired. In November 2022, notification was received regarding the acquisition of 2 elderly ring tailed Lemurs and an application to include the Lemurs on the licence was received in January 2023.

Recommendations relating to the improvement of operating practices and the enclosures to the site, have been completed as requested on an on-going basis.

## Specialist Independent Veterinary Report (Statutory Consideration Prior to Grant)

A licence cannot be granted without an inspection from a Veterinary Practitioner and over the course of the licences held, several visits have been made by our independent Specialist Veterinary Officer appointed for that purpose and two Council Officers. The most recent visit being 14 July 2022.

The Specialist Veterinary Advisor has produced a summary report specifically for this committee and the extract of the report is attached at appendix 5.

In summary, the Specialist Veterinary Advisor has recommended issue of the licence.

#### **Emergency Services**

In accordance with the conditions, both the Police and the Fire Authority have been notified of all DWA licenced keepers within the Borough and the Police Firearms team has been consulted in regard to the emergency escape plan. Site familiarisation visits will be arranged as necessary or if requested by these Authorities.

#### **Proposed Licence Conditions**

The Dangerous Wild Animal Act Licences states are:

- a requirement that the animal be kept only by a person or persons named on the licence;
- restrictions on the movement of the animal from the premises as specified on the licence;
- a requirement that the licence holder has a current insurance policy which ensures both licence holders and others against any liability caused by the animal and in some cases covers any private health medical costs (where the cost of such treatment is unusual and provided at significant cost to the health service) and that;

 arrangements for emergency response are reasonable, but there will be further liaison with the Firearms team at the Police to review these arrangements.

We have developed and refined licence conditions over the last 25 years through our experience of a variety of species and circumstances kept within the area. We have also updated the licence conditions as changes have been made to the activities and other information has become available for example guidance on the welfare needs of particular species, to ensure they remain relevant. A copy of the proposed conditions to be attached to the renewal are attached at appendix 6.

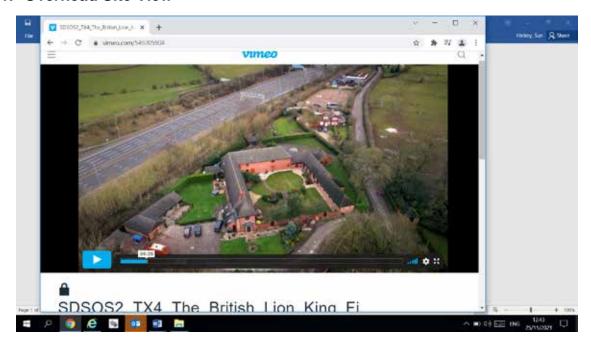
#### **Key Changes Proposed from last licence**

The majority of licence conditions will remain the same but a summary of key licence condition proposed changes are highlighted below;

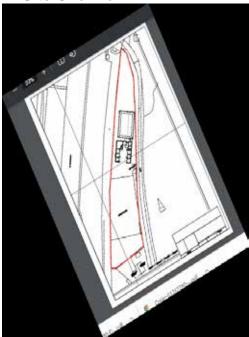
- An assistant keeper (previously included in the Schedule of assistant keepers) has been removed as has not been on site for some time.
- Addition of 4 additional assistant keepers in the Schedule of assistant keepers (restrictions on animals cared for linked to written authorisation, training and safety procedures). (Licence Conditions 3, 4 and 24).
- · Condition 11 has confirmed the lions are still not to breed.
- Due to the addition of a breeding pair of Otters, additional condition to say that any offspring need to be notified to us in writing straight after birth and removed from site within 60 days or as soon as weaned if appropriate – whichever is the soonest, or an application for a variation to licence application submitted at least 21 days before that date. This condition was a standard condition previously.
- Condition 31. There should be no public viewing of the DWA licensed animals. (If an application to vary the planning condition relating to public viewing is subsequently approved, we would vary this condition to 'the Licensing Authority must be notified in writing of the proposed open days/animal experiences on site at least 5 working days before they are held'.
- Addition of 2 Lions (growing cubs), a Tapir and 2 Otters to the list of animals kept under the licence.
- Addition of 2 ring tailed Lemurs to the list of animals kept under the licence.
- Requirement to microchip any animals not already microchipped to aid identification and notify the Licensing Authority of the microchip numbers of each of the animals held under licence

#### **APPENDIX 3**

#### 1. Overhead Site View



#### 2. Site Overview



**APPENDIX 4** 

Photographs of main enclosures

1. External Lion Enclosure – Left hand View



2. External Lion Enclosure – right hand view from above



## 3. Otter Enclosure - External



## 4. Other Enclosure - Pool



5. Tapir and part of external tapir enclosure



## 6. Lemur enclosure





Applicant: XXXXXXX

Premises: XXXXXX, Strelley, Nottingham NG8 6PD

Acting as Specialist Veterinary Inspector on behalf of Broxtowe Borough Council, I request that Suzanne Hickey, Chief Environmental Health Officer, represent me at the hearing in my absence due to her role as fellow inspector at the renewal inspection undertaken.

I have inspected this premises on behalf of Browtowe Borough Council for a period of four years.

I consider this hearing to be unnecessary due to the facts that:

- The premises and animals have been inspected by an experienced and professional specialist team of inspectors in compliance with the legislation.
- The findings of the inspection found no issues which compromised animal welfare or public safety.
- The licensee has a strong record of compliance, makes timely and full responses to modifications requested by officials and the Local Authority staff and the licensee have a very productive and effective working relationship.

Summary of Findings at Inspection on 14th July 2022 Full Report provided. In my professional opinion:

- I consider that the applicants and the named keepers have sufficient experience, have received sufficient training and have appropriate training and supervision processes in place to be 'fit and proper' to hold a license. Further advancements of the already compliant processes have since been implemented.
- The licensee employs a specialist zoo vet to provide care to the animals. A renewed programme of preventative care was requested to include the new species added to the licence. This has now been provided by the licencee.
- The facilities built by Mr Oliver meet the behavioural and environment needs of the animals including having environmental enrichment such as pools, climbing structures and vegetation. The enclosure design exceeds that of some zoo licensed premises
- The enclosure design and management processes to prevent escape are equivalent to those in place in licensed zoos. A minor maintenance issue that was quickly rectified was identified and new gates were being fitted at the time of inspection but were installed and evidence of this provided to inspectors.
- Escape procedures for the otters and tapir which were added at this inspection needed producing. These have now been provided to the satisfaction of inspectors.

Therefore in my opinion all of the conditions requested by inspectors have been complied with and the premises and operating procedures are compliant with the requirements of the Dangerous Wild Animals Act (1976)





# LICENCE CONDITIONS DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS

## **DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS ACT 1976**

XXXXXX and XXXXX

Address: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Licence Number:22/0440/EHDWA

Valid: 17.05.2022 - 16.05.2024

**Issued February 2023** 

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#### **Preface/Definitions**

'The Council' is Broxtowe Borough Council

'The Licensee' is the holder(s) of the Licence.

#### **SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS**

#### CONDITIONS SUBJECT TO WHICH THE ABOVE LICENCE IS GRANTED

- 1) While any animal is being kept under the authority of the Licence:
  - (i) The animal shall be kept by no person other than the person or persons specified on the licence.
  - (ii) The animals shall normally be held within the relevant enclosures at such premises as are specified on the licence. The animals must be shut in at night with the exception of the puma which must be within the part of the enclosure which is roofed overnight.
  - (iii) The animal must only be handled as necessary and only by persons specified in the schedule on the licence. No-one is permitted to enter the wild cat enclosures with a conscious animal (Cross Reference to existing Risk Assessment and Safe System of Work).
  - (iv) The animals shall not be moved from those premises, except in an emergency, without the written prior approval of the Council. Any request for removal shall be in writing to the Council and at least 7 days' notice shall be given. This written request must include:
    - The date of intended removal
    - b. The destination
    - c. The Local Authority in whose area the destination is located (when within the United Kingdom)
    - d. The duration of stay
    - e. The method of transportation and vehicles used and
    - f. Species and age of animals involved.

In the event of an emergency evacuation of the animal the Council must be notified as soon as practical (within 4 hours) of the location of the animal.

- (v) Where animals are taken into the area of another local authority, that authority must be given at least five working days' notice by the Licensee and be forwarded a copy of the Licence and conditions by Licensee.
  - The receiving authority must agree the proposed arrangements beforehand and forward their written consent to The Licencee shall abide by all reasonable requirements imposed by the Council and/or by the receiving authority.
- (vi) The person to whom the licence is granted shall hold a current insurance policy which insures them and any other person entitled to keep the animal under the authority of the Licence against liability for any damage which may be caused by the animal, the terms of such policy being satisfactory in the opinion of the Council.
- (vii) The person to whom the licence is granted and all assistant keepers, must demonstrate a good knowledge of the husbandry of the animals kept (wild cats, tapir, otters, lemurs etc.), experience of caring for such animals and where appropriate a relevant qualification.
- (viii) Each animal must be uniquely identifiable, ideally with a microchip. Microchip numbers relating to each animal must be provided to the council. The microchip registration details must be kept up to date.
- 2) The species and number of animals of each species which may be kept under the authority of the Licence shall be restricted to those specified in the Schedule on the licence.
- The animals shall be under the control and cared for by no other person than the Licensee or other competent person specified in the Schedule. In the absence of the Licensee then at least one other experienced keeper or competent person must be contactable and available if required. Any nominated keeper in the Schedule must be fully up to date with licence requirements and undertake to abide by them.
- 4) A safe system of work must be in place for the care and handling of the animals. All handling should be minimal and necessary handling should utilise appropriate equipment (including crush crates etc.) as required. Another person/mechanism for regularly checking on the handler, working in a buddy arrangement or raising alarm in case of emergency must also be in place.
- 5) No additional dangerous wild animals are to be acquired without the consent of the Council and shall not be brought to the premises until the requirements of the authorised Veterinary Officer are implemented to the satisfaction of the Council.
- 6) No animal shall be disposed of to any person other than to a person appropriately licensed to keep dangerous wild animals or to a circus or licensed zoo. If any animal is

sold or otherwise disposed of the Council shall be notified in writing with 2 working days. Records of the animal's destination must be retained by the Licensee.

- 7) The Licensee shall not knowingly permit any other dangerous wild animals, including those held by any other person (whether that person holds a Dangerous Wild Animals Act licence or not), onto the premises without the prior written approval of the Council.
- Where a licensed animal dies you must notify this Council in writing and/or provide a veterinary certificate stating the cause of death. The body shall not be disposed of until the Council has given approval. The body shall then be incinerated in an appropriate facility.
- 9) The animals concerned will at all times: -
  - (i) Be provided with conditions that meet the five needs/freedoms defined in the Animal Welfare Act 2006 and particularly allowed to exhibit normal behaviour patterns and be free from fear and distress.

Appropriate environments must be provided for each of the animals including but not exhaustively:

- Varied planting must be provided in the outside enclosures to allow shade, hiding and privacy as appropriate to each of the species.
- Appropriate climbing facilities must be provided (including platforms, ramps, trees, logs or suspended walkways) for the cat enclosures.
- Additional stimulation and enrichment must be provided (including a pool, feeding balls etc.) as appropriate.
- A raised sleeping area and separate den/hide must be available within the cat enclosure.
- The lions must be capable of being separated as necessary with separate dens when required.
- For small primates, enrichment could include hammocks made from cloth or mesh that can be removed to be cleaned; hanging rope swings; hiding spaces, such as hollow logs; tree limbs or logs at various heights to promote climbing, and food puzzle games that encourage foraging time.
- Tapirs require planted trees and undergrowth.
- (ii) Be supplied with adequate and suitable food (to maintain full health and vigour), drink and bedding materials and be visited at suitable intervals. Fresh water must be available at all times.

Pumas require a meat diet and whole prey items including skin and bones must be included regularly within the diet.

Appropriate supplements must also be provided.

Written records regarding feeding should be maintained and available for inspection by the Council on request.

(iii) Be held in accommodation which secures that animal against escape and which is also suitable as regards construction, size, temperature, lighting, ventilation, drainage and cleanliness. The accommodation must provide an environment suitable for the species.

All accommodation must be accessed through a double door/lobby entry system. All accommodation must be secure, lockable, contained in secure areas and kept locked at all times. Lemurs in particular are agile and dextrous and they may easily learn to undo bolts and other closure methods, therefore cages must be secured by key operated locks, with the keys left out of their reach.

It must be possible to view the area to be entered prior to going in (either by suitable viewing panels or CCTV. It must be possible to contain the animals in different areas to allow safe access to each individual area for cleaning, inspection and maintenance.

The outdoor enclosure for the puma must be roofed.

All enclosures must be as large as possible and of a size appropriate to the species and number of animals housed if in groups.

A minimum of 37 sq. m floor space for a single lion and 28 sq. m for a single puma must be provided. A minimum additional floor space of 50% must be provided for each additional cat.

Outdoor cat enclosures must be a minimum of 3m (10ft) high. (Ideally 3.5m/12ft)

Tapirs require a minimum of 200m<sup>2</sup> outdoors and a minimum 9m<sup>2</sup> per animal.

All enclosures must have a smaller holding facility and the ability to contain the animals into different areas to allow safe access for inspection and maintenance and, where necessary, veterinary treatment.

Fencing to enclosures must be strong enough to withstand the animals including the weight of cats climbing on it or tapirs barging into it. Fencing must be set in deep concrete foundations to prevent digging underneath. Fencing must have an appropriate overhang. Fencing must be electrified as appropriate.

An additional outside perimeter fence (secondary fence) must be provided.

Pools must be capable of being cleaned and drained as appropriate. Pools must be of suitable slope, depth and sides to allow appropriate access and use by the species it is provided for.

Appropriate shelter from weather, sun and extreme temperatures should be provided for each species.

Temperatures appropriate to the species must be maintained in some part of the housing. For example: All lemurs are tropical species, and their main housing

- areas should be kept between 18 to 29°C. Cats must be provided with a heated den should external temperatures drop below 10°C (50°F).
- (iv) Any windows/vents within the rooms containing dangerous animals must be fitted with secure mesh to allow natural ventilation to occur but prevent accidental escape.
- (v) Any external mesh must be double layered to prevent direct contact with the animal. Mesh size must be small enough to prevent animals entangling or injury.
- (vi) All concrete/artificial flooring must be non-slip. Outdoor enclosures should provide planted and natural floor covering and areas of bark. Drainage to enclosures must be capable of rapidly removing excess water, designed to avoid injury and be secure.
- 10) (i) Distinct warning notices stating 'Restricted Area Dangerous Wild Animals Do Not Touch' or other similar suitable wording must be displayed on the enclosure and any transit containers.
  - (ii) All containers/enclosures must be labelled with the details of the occupant including the Latin name and common name.
- 11) (i) The Lions are not to breed. This can be achieved by vasectomizing the male lion if a hormonal implant is not recommended for the female lion for health reasons. The previous implant to the male was unsuccessful. The revised protocol to prevent the lions breeding must be reviewed in accordance with your vet, and confirmed in writing to the Licensing Authority.

If the other licensed animals (otters or tapir) are to breed, the numbers of resulting offspring shall be notified to the Council, within one working day. Suitable accommodation should be provided to care for such offspring and allow separation or keeping together as appropriate. Any such offspring shall be removed from the premises within sixty days after such date. If any offspring are to remain at the premises for longer than the initial sixty-day period, then the Licensee must apply for the Licence to be suitably amended to include such offspring.

You should seek permission from the Council if any other dangerous wild animals are proposed to be brought in for mating.

- (ii) As soon as is practicable the Council should be informed in writing of the intended destination of any offspring of the animals covered by the scope of this licence.
- 12) Equipment for controlling the animals shall be supplied by the Licensee. This must be suitable for the purpose and kept in good repair and readily accessible.
- 13) No live baits/feed should be fed to any licensed animal.
- 14) Animals must be free from pain and injury.

All reasonable precautions must be taken to prevent and control the spread of infectious diseases. A veterinary surgeon must be called in case of signs of disease, injury, or illness. Any instructions for the animal's treatment which have been given by a veterinary surgeon must be strictly followed. Written records regarding illness and treatments must be maintained. An up to date written schedule of veterinary care and health plan should be provided (including vaccination and parasite control etc.).

## Veterinary surgeons should attend the licensed premises and the animals must not be taken to a veterinary surgeon.

- No animal which is suffering from, or could reasonably be suspected of having come into contact with any other animal suffering from any infectious or contagious disease or which is infested with parasites shall be brought into or kept on the premises unless effectively isolated.
- 16) Measures must be taken to keep the premises and animals accommodation free of rodents, insects and other pests and animals free of external parasites.
- 17) Any alterations to the size, positioning or nature of the accommodation provided should be discussed in advice with the Council.
- Appropriate steps must be taken at all times to ensure the protection of the animals concerned, in case of fire or other emergency. Firefighting equipment, including extinguishers, shall be provided by the Licensee and be maintained in good condition and made accessible at all times.
- 19) The electrical installation of the accommodation/enclosure must be maintained in a safe condition and undergo a periodic inspection by a competent person.
- 20) Enclosures shall be sited and maintained so as not to give rise to a statutory nuisance under the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.
- 21) The Licensee shall comply with the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 at all times, if applicable.
- 22) All animals' feedstuffs including meat, meat products and bones, shall be stored in appropriate lidded containers and waste animal food shall be disposed of in compliance with all relevant Legislation. You must retain records regarding the disposal of this category of waste and the licensed animal by products waste carrier and ensure they are available on request.
- 23) The Council requires the Licensee or person who has applied for a license under this Act, to pay the Council the reasonable cost of inspection (including interim inspections) of the premises by a veterinary surgeon.
- 24) The Licensee shall carry out a suitable and sufficient written risk assessment, identify safe systems of work and document the findings accordingly. The assessment is to be made available to the Council. The assessment is to include:
  - (i) Hazards, risk and control methods to ensure public welfare and safety.

- (ii) Hazards, risk and control methods to ensure animal welfare and safety.
- (iii) Hazards, risk and control measures to ensure your own health, safety and welfare and that of any approved competent keepers or other persons who may view the animals including procedures to minimise risk during cleaning and maintenance.
- 25) The Licensee shall keep up to date emergency contact details for competent persons who may be contacted in the event of an emergency in the enclosure and provide these details in writing to the Council.
- Procedures in the event of an animal escaping shall be submitted in writing to the Council for approval. Such procedures in the event of escape are to be implemented and suitable means of animal recovery are to be readily available.
  - In the event of escape of any animal to which this licence applies the Police and the Council are to be notified at the earliest opportunity.
- 27) You must notify the emergency services that dangerous animals are kept on site within 5 working days of receiving a Licence.
- 28) Any animals received or consigned shall be transported according to the regulations laid down in all relevant legislation.
- 29) When dangerous animals are to be transported to and from the premises, the transit container must either:
  - (i) Be directly taken into the premises where the animal is to be housed (receiving enclosure) before the animal is released under control, or
  - (ii) Be maintained in a manner so that escape is not possible and
  - (iii) The container must be transported in another container or double locked and
  - (iv) any holes must be suitably meshed.
- 30) All keepers must have suitable experience and training in both the welfare of the dangerous animals and their care. On-going experience and training should be carried out as appropriate. Written records of additional training must be maintained by the Licensee and made available to the Council.
- 31) There should be no public viewing of the DWA licensed animals. There is a planning condition relating to no public viewing of animals.

#### **POWERS OF ENTRY**

The Council may authorise competent persons to enter premises either licensed under the Act or specified in an application for a licence, at all reasonable times, producing if required their authority, and the authorised officers may inspect these premises and an animal in them. The penalty for wilfully obstructing or delaying an authorised officer is a maximum fine at level 4.

#### **SEIZURE OF ANIMALS**

If a dangerous wild animal is being kept without the authority of a Licence or in contravention of a licence condition, the Council may seize the animal and retain it, destroy it or otherwise dispose of it. The Council is not liable to compensation and may recover costs from the keeper of the animal at the time of seizure.

#### **EXHIBITION OF ANIMALS**

If dangerous wild animals are to be exhibited/viewed, consideration should be given as to whether a zoo licence is required. If a zoo licence is not required, visitors must be afforded the same level of protection as required by the current version of the Secretary of States standards of modern zoo practice.

N.B. If non dangerous wild animal species are to be viewed/exhibited, consideration needs to be given as to whether a Zoo licence or Animal Activities licence is required.

# LIST OF SPECIES AND NUMBER OF ANIMALS OF EACH SPECIES WHICH MAY BE KEPT UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS LICENCE

Common Name	Latin Name	Number of Animals
Puma	Puma concolor	1 (Male)
Lions	Panthera leo	3 (1 male female)
Tapir	Tapir terrestris	1 (Male)
Otters (Asian Short Clawed)	Ayonix cinereus	2 (1 male 1 female)
Ring tailed lemurs	Lemur catta	2 (1 male and 1 female)

#### SCHEDULE OF ADDITIONAL KEEPERS (IN ADDITION TO LICENSEES)

The nominated keepers in the absence of the Licensees are detailed below;

XXXXXX - all licensed animals

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XXXXXX – Restricted – only animals in accordance with authorisation, training and risk assessment procedures.

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The nominated keepers must only act in accordance with the restrictions within the authorisation, training and experience procedures and must be aware of and comply with the licence conditions, maintain appropriate records of care and be experienced in the animals' requirements.

#### **SCHEDULE OF ACCOMMODATION**

The licence is issued in accordance with the attached plans of the site and enclosures.



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