

Licensing Sub Committee A - 16 January 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Sub Committee A held at Committee Room 4, Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD on 16 January 2018 at 6.30 pm.

Present: **Councillors:** Gary Poole (Chair), Michelline Ngongo (Vice-Chair)
Rakhia Ismail and Flora Williamson

Councillor Flora Williamson in the Chair (Item B2)
Councillor Gary Poole in the Chair (Items B1, B3 & B4)

201 INTRODUCTIONS AND PROCEDURE (Item A1)

Councillor Flora Williamson welcomed everyone to the meeting and officers and members introduced themselves. She informed the meeting that she would be chairing the meeting for Item B2, 236 Upper Street, N1.

202 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Item A2)

There were no apologies for absence.

203 DECLARATIONS OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (Item A3)

Councillor Williamson substituted for Councillor Poole for Item B2.

204 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item A4)

There were no declarations of interest.

205 ORDER OF BUSINESS (Item A5)

The order of business would be Item B2, B1, B3 and B4.

206 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item A6)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 27 November 2017 be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings and the Chair be authorised to sign them.

207 THE WINCHESTER, 2 ESSEX ROAD, N1 8LN - PREMISES LICENCE REVIEW (Item B1)

Councillor Gary Poole informed the Sub-Committee that the procedures for the meeting were detailed in the agenda papers.

The licensee's representative informed the Sub-Committee that he had not received the representation from the environmental protection team when the notice of hearing had been issued. This representation had only been noticed when the report had been printed at the weekend. He had therefore been unable to prepare and take proper time to consider the relevant issues. He stated that in the interests of procedural fairness he was entitled to an adjournment of the case.

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The Sub-Committee adjourned to consider the request.

RESOLVED that the item be adjourned to a future date in early February.

(Following the meeting the date for the adjourned hearing was set for the 5 February 2018).

208 **236 UPPER STREET, N1 1RU - NEW LICENCE APPLICATION (Item B2)**

The applicant stated that two planning applications had been submitted for the premises. It was likely that planning approval would take eight weeks and an adjournment was therefore requested.

RESOLVED that the item be adjourned to a future meeting.

209 **THE SCREEN ON THE GREEN, 83 UPPER STREET, N1 0NU - PREMISES LICENCE VARIATION (Item B3)**

The licensing officer reported that the representation had been tabled. This would be interleaved with the agenda papers.

The interested party raised concerns that the capacity was to be increased following a revised fire risk assessment. He also stated that the police had been called when a private event had been held.

The applicant's representative stated that the applicant was not seeking to change the plan layout but to return the capacity to the previous number that was detailed on the licence prior to the installation of a kitchen. The fire officer was now satisfied that a capacity of 200 was appropriate. There had been complaints in 2016 during an event. The complaints had been entirely justified. The events manager for this period no longer worked at the premises. Weddings were held in the cinema. There had been no complaints for over a year. The manager would liaise with the interested party.

Following questions, it was considered that the interested party be given the opportunity to contact the venue if necessary. The applicant agreed that a telephone number and email address be circulated to residents and placed on view at the premises. It was noted that staff were present during dispersal and patrons were invited to leave in an orderly manner.

RESOLVED

- 1) That the application for a premises licence variation, in respect of The Screen on the Green, 83 Upper Street, N1 0NU be granted to:-

Amend Condition 20 of annex 2 to read the following:-

- The maximum number of persons accommodated at any one time in the premises shall not exceed the following:-

Ground Floor: 200 plus two wheelchair spaces.

- 2) That conditions of the current licence shall be applied with the following amendment to condition 11.
 - The contact telephone number and email address for the designated premises supervisor/duty manager shall be displayed inside and outside the premises.

REASONS FOR DECISION

The Sub-Committee listened to all the evidence and submissions and read all the material. The Sub-Committee reached the decision having given consideration to the Licensing Act 2003, as amended, and its regulations, the national guidance and the Council's Licensing Policy.

The Sub-Committee noted that the premises fall within the Angel and Upper Street cumulative impact area and that the premises had previously been authorised for a capacity of 200 people.

The Sub-Committee noted that the applicant was willing to provide contact details to local residents and it was therefore reasonable and proportionate to amend condition 11 of the current licence. There were no concerns raised by the police or other responsible authorities and the Sub-Committee was satisfied that the licensing objectives would be promoted and the variation application was therefore agreed.

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TWO BREWERS, 109 ROMAN WAY, N7 8UR - PREMISES LICENCE VARIATION (Item B4)

The licensing officer reported that noise and licensing authority conditions had not yet been agreed.

The noise officer reported that she had not heard from the applicants regarding the proposed conditions. The licensing authority stated that she had concerns regarding the close proximity to the football stadium, was not recommending refusal but proposed conditions which had not yet been agreed.

The applicant stated that the hours requested were those previously on the licence prior to a reduction in hours. He had taken over the premises in October 2015. He stated that there was a local chemist operating a substance abuse programme and local residents thought that drug users were from the premises. This was a community pub. Smoking outside could be causing disturbance and the applicant stated he would work with residents regarding this.

In response to questions he accepted conditions proposed by the noise team but raised concerns regarding a condition proposed by the licensing authority regarding the provision of door supervisors for special events. It was reported that special events related to events on the premises and it was suggested that the words 'special events' in the condition be amended to 'private function'. The applicant agreed to the licensing authority proposed conditions with this amendment.

In summary, the noise officer reported that the conditions should be complied with. The licensing authority recommended door supervisors for match days, particularly if using an outside area and stated that these premises were on the police intelligence radar.

The applicant stated that this was generally a family pub and people generally left after the game and they had not had any problems. The premises did attract a more problematic crowd under the previous management.

RESOLVED

- 1) That the application for a premises licence variation, in respect of Two Brewers, 109 Roman Way, N7 8UR be granted :-

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- a) To extend the provision of on and off sales of alcohol until 11.30pm on Mondays, until midnight Tuesday to Thursday, until half past midnight Friday and Saturday and 11pm on Sundays.
 - b) To add the provision of indoor sporting events Tuesday to Thursday from 20:30 until midnight.
 - c) To add the provision of recorded music from 12 noon until midnight Friday and Saturday.
 - d) Opening hours to be extended until midnight on Mondays until half past midnight Tuesday to Thursday, until 1 am Friday and Saturday and until 11.30pm on Sundays.
- 2) Conditions detailed on pages 243-245 shall be applied to the licence subject to the following amendment to condition 42:-
- On any day where there is a private function, the licensee shall provide at least two door supervisors from 21:00 hours until 30 minutes after closing, registered with the Security Industry Authority, to patrol outside the premises to minimise the impact of patrons arriving and/or departing between the opening hour and half an hour after closing.

REASONS FOR DECISION

The Sub-Committee listened to all the evidence and submissions and read all the material. The Sub-Committee reached the decision having given consideration to the Licensing Act 2003, as amended, and its regulations, the national guidance and the Council's Licensing Policy.

The Sub-Committee noted that the applicant was willing to agree suggested conditions from the noise team and the licensing authority with the suggested amendment to condition 42.

The Sub-Committee noted the representation from interested parties and was satisfied that with the additional conditions the licensing objectives would be promoted and therefore the variation was agreed.

Note of the Sub-Committee

The Sub-Committee noted that there were duplicated conditions on pages 243-245 of the agenda. The licensing team to ensure duplicated conditions (including conditions 5, 6, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22 and 30) are deleted from the licence that is issued to the applicant.

The meeting ended at 7.40 pm

CHAIR