

SUB COMMITTEE

of the

LICENSING AND CONTROL COMMITTEE 'B'

MINUTES

of the

PROCEEDINGS

held on

Wednesday 14 August 2013

Sub Committee Membership: Councillors Christine Brown (Chairman), Norah Fisher and Vic Walker.

Hearing to consider an application for variation of a premises licence for

Strand Local, 21 Strand Parade, Worthing, BN12 6DH

Applicant: Mr Rashid Ahmed

Present: Simon Jones Senior Licensing Officer

Theresa Cuerva Licensing Officer

Caroline Perry Solicitor

Heather Kingston Democratic Services Officer

Mr Rashid Ahmed Applicant

Mr Syed Abbas Applicant's representative

LCC/13-14/06 Welcome

The Chairman welcomed the attendants to the meeting.

LCC/13-14/07 Apologies and Reconstitution of Membership

Nil

LCC/13-14/08 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

LCC/13-14/09 Procedure

The proceedings were as set out on the procedure note circulated to all those present.

LCC/13-14/10 Licensing Act 2003 – Application for a New Premises Licence

Before the Committee was a report by the Executive Head of Housing Health and Community Safety, copies of which had been circulated to all Members and a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these minutes as item 4. The Sub Committee were asked consider and determine the application made by Mr Rashid Ahmed in respect of Strand Local, 21 Strand Parade, Worthing. The application had been the subject of formal representation by a responsible authority and members of the public and it therefore fell to the sub-committee to determine.

The Senior Licensing Office introduced the report to the Committee. Members were informed that Sussex Police had withdrawn their application following successful

mediation with the applicant. Email proof of the mediation was given to members, a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these minutes. Members were also told that the resident who had made a representation was unable to attend the meeting but had asked that the Committee consider his written submission. The Senior Licensing Officer confirmed with the applicant that he had given an accurate outline of the application.

The applicant made his representation and indicated that he needed to purvey alcohol in order for his business to survive. Answering a question the applicant explained intended procedures for dealing with prevention of sales to intoxicated persons and proxy sales. He also explained staffing structures the incident book and CCTV coverage.

The meeting adjourned at 10:34am and reconvened at 10:38am

The meeting was told that In reaching its decision, the Licensing Sub Committee had given due regard to the Home Office guidance, the Council's own Licensing Policy and relevant licensing legislation. The Committee had also given regard to Human Rights legislation and the rules of natural justice. Due consideration was given to all representations made at the hearing and in writing. In discharging its functions the Sub Committee did so with a view to promoting the Licensing Objectives, the relevant objectives were the Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Prevention of Public Nuisance and the Protection of Children from Harm.

Resolved: that the premises licence should be granted in accordance with the application. The licence will include the conditions that are detailed in an email from Sussex Police on 24th July 2013 at 1300 hours and attached to a signed copy of these minutes.

Reasons for Decision: The Sub-Committee were satisfied that with the conditions proposed by the Police and agreed by Mr Ahmed the licensing objectives will not be undermined by the grant of this licence.

Additional Observations made by Members: The applicant was reminded that it is a criminal offence under the Licensing Act 2003 to carry on licensable activities from any premises in breach of a premises licence

The proceedings finished at 10:39am it having begun at 10:20am (meeting began late due to a late arrival)