

MINUTES OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Monday, 9 May 2016
(7:00 - 9:13 pm)

Board Members Present: Councillors Oluwole (Chair), Ahammad and Haroon.

29. Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

30. Application for a New Premises Licence: McDonalds Restaurant, Ballards Road/New Road, Dagenham, RM10 9LU

The Council's Licensing Officer, Maria Williams, presented a report to the Sub Committee which was regarding an application for a variation to a Premises Licence for McDonalds Restaurant, Ballards Road/New Road, Dagenham, RM10 9LU.

The Sub Committee were advised that the premises currently had a licence which allowed the provision of late night refreshment on Monday to Sundays from 23:00 until 01:00. The application before the Sub Committee was to extend the opening hours and provision of late night refreshment on Mondays to Sundays from 01:00 until 05:00.

The Sub Committee noted that during the consultation period there valid representations received from Ward Councillors Jamu and Keller. A further valid representation had been received from the Councils Environmental Health Noise Team, however this had been withdrawn following the submission of a noise assessment from the premises.

Mr Sam Skinner, the applicants legal representative spoke on behalf of the applicant, addressing the concerns set out within the representations.

The Sub Committee were advised that the applicant already managed two McDonalds' restaurants which were open 24 hours. There was no history of antisocial behaviour at the premise however if required, security could be provided at the location. Furthermore, HD CCTV cameras were due to be installed at the location shortly. Following representation regarding noise, a noise assessment was undertaken by the applicant which, as reported, has resulted in the Environmental Health Noise Team withdrawing their representation.

The applicant then offered the additional conditions of:

- 1) Introducing new signage reminding customers to leave quietly and respect residents.
- 2) To increase litter patrols to 4 times per day, including all surrounding areas.

Decision

Upon considerations, the Licensing Sub-Committee decided to grant the license as applied for, with the addition of the two conditions volunteered by the applicant.

31. Application to Review the Premises Licence for Oasis Banqueting Hall, 6-8 Thames Road, Barking, Essex, IG11 0HZ

The Licensing Officer presented a report to the Sub-Committee concerning an application for a review of the premises licence for Oasis Banqueting Hall, 6-8 Thames Road, Barking, Essex IG11 0HZ.

The Sub Committee were advised that on 4 April 2016, an application for the review of the Premises Licence was received from Corinne Holland PC 119KG on behalf of the Chief Officer of Police for the Metropolitan Police Area, under the licensing objective of the prevention of crime and disorder.

The current Premises Licence was held by Tariq Mahmood, who was also the Designated Premises Supervisor.

The Chair invited the Police to present the application for review. Corinne Holland PC 119KG was present and addressed the sub committee, who advised that:

- The Review was being sought because despite protracted negotiations between the management of the premises and the police concerning a number of serious incidents associated with the venue and the management of the venue had failed to rectify the issues.
- Some months ago the management of the venue stated they would submit a minor variation to deal with police concerns, this did not happen, and a further serious incident had now occurred.
- It had come to the point that the police could no longer rely on the management of the venue to rectify their problems.
- For ticketed/promoted events, it was felt that the licence holder appeared to take a step back and leave responsibility to the particular promoter on the night. These events, statistically, lead to crime and disorder.

The Police requested for additional conditions to be placed on the licence and for the opening hours of the premises to be reduced.

The Chair then invited Mr Mahmood to address the Sub Committee. In doing so, Mr Mahmood advised that the venue was mostly used for Asian weddings and he had discouraged ticketed events where possible.

Mr Mahmood did not feel there were safety issues at the premises and commented that it would not be appropriate for security to staff to be present at some events, such as Asian weddings.

Furthermore, Mr Mahmood advised that he and his staff had abided to the

conditions set out within the current licence did not agree with the application for review which had been submitted by the Police.

Both parties were given the opportunity to ask clarifying questions of the other, and both parties were asked to provide closing statements.

DECISION

Upon consideration, the sub-committee decided to.

1. Amend the operating hours as follows
 - a. All licensable activities to cease by 02:00 on Monday – Thursday and Sundays, with the premises to close by 03:00
 - b. All licensable activities to cease by 03:00 on Friday to Saturday, with the premises to close by 04:00
2. All events which finish later than midnight will have a minimum ratio of one door supervisor to 80 patrons
3. For all promoted events held at the premises a Form 696 Promoted Event Risk Assessment form will be completed at least 14 days prior to the event and at the conclusion of the event a Form 696a Promoted Event Risk Assessment de-Brief will be completed within 7 days. Both forms being supplied to police within the designated time frames (to replace condition 15).

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