

## MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - THURSDAY, 23 APRIL 2015

### **Present:**

Councillor (in the Chair)

Councillors

Green                      Hunter                      Hutton

### **In Attendance:**

Lennox Beattie, Executive and Regulatory Support Manager  
Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Service

### **Apologies:**

Councillors

### **1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Resolved:

That Councillor Hutton be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

### **2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST - LICENSING**

There were no declarations of interest on this occasion.

### **3 PROCEDURE FOR THE MEETING**

The Chairman explained the procedure for the meeting and that an equal guideline time limit of thirty minutes had been allocated for all parties.

### **4 APPLICATION FOR THE REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE- STALL 13 ABINGDON MARKET**

The Licensing Panel considered a request submitted by Weights and Measures for the review of the Premises Licence in respect of Stall 13 Abingdon Market. The review was submitted on the grounds of prevention of crime and disorder and public safety.

Mr M Marshall presented the case on behalf of Weights and Measures, the Licensing Authority and Health Safety. Mr G Shaw from Health and Safety provided additional information regarding the health and safety concerns. They both highlighted the serious concerns of the responsible authorities regarding the sale of counterfeit alcohol.

The Licence Holder, Mrs K Gandhi, was in attendance supported by her husband and represented by her solicitor, Mr T Colebourne. Mr Colebourne emphasised that the incident while serious was a regrettable one off and recommended the Panel to impose a brief suspension on the licence instead of a revocation.

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The Licensing Panel considered carefully the evidence submitted by all parties, the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the Secretary of State's guidance. It expressed serious concerns regarding the operation of the premises and the sale of counterfeit vodka in the premises. It agreed that it had no confidence that the premises would not continue to significantly undermine the licensing objectives.

Resolved:

That the Premises Licence in respect of Stall 13 Abingdon Market be revoked.

### **Chairman**

(The meeting ended 12.20 pm)

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