MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - MONDAY, 24 OCTOBER 2016

Present:			
Councillors			
Humphreys	Hutton	Maycock	
In Attendance:			

Lennox Beattie, Executive and Regulatory Support Manager Lynda Bennett, Senior Legal Officer

1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

The Licensing Panel considered the appointment of a Chairman for the meeting.

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 including that an equal time of twenty minutes had been allocated for both parties.

4 APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE- 136-140 PROMENADE

The Licensing Panel considered an application for a Premises Licence in respect of 136-140 Promenade. The application requested permission for the sale of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises, live music and recorded music 11.00 – 02.00 hours daily.

The Panel noted the agreement between the applicant and the objector regarding the addition of a number of conditions to the licence and outlined at Appendix 4b to the agenda.

Mr T Colebourne, solicitor, outlined the application on behalf of Mr S Oyston, the applicant, who was also in attendance. Mr Colebourne highlighted that the application was for a high quality premises which would be food led and appeal to a different demographic that were currently catered for in Blackpool and that the premises would be well run by experienced operators. Mr Colebourne explained that by negotiation the applicant and police had been able to agree a substantial number of conditions to address the police's concerns with the only area of disagreement being the hour between 1 and 2am. Mr Colebourne outlined his view that the premises would due to its clientele not

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impact on the crime and disorder occurring in the area. Mr Colebourne emphasised that in his view that the hours applied for were essential for the proposed operation of the premises.

In response to concerns raised from the Panel, Mr Oyston explained that the sales for consumption off the premises applied only to alcohol sold for consumption in the outside area and as applicant he was prepared to accept a condition to that effect.

Sgt Parkinson and PC Pritchard both outlined the objection on behalf of Lancashire Constabulary. She highlighted that in broad terms the police were satisfied that the application would not significantly impact on the cumulative impact in the area apart from at the period post 2am when there already were significant challenges in the area. Sgt Parkinson gave a number of examples and evidence on the ongoing problems in the area around 2am.

The Licensing Panel considered carefully the evidence submitted and concluded that the application should be granted but to avoid impacting on the crime and disorder already being experienced in the areas to restrict the terminal hour for the sale of alcohol to 1am.

Resolved:

- 1. That the application for 136-140 Promenade be granted with the terminal hour for the sale of alcohol to be 1am with the premises to close one hour later.
- 2. That the conditions as agreed between the applicant and the Police and outlined at Appendix 4b be added to the licence.
- 3. That an additional condition be added to the licence "No person may remove alcohol from the grounds or curtilage of the licensed premises, unless it is to be consumed in the external drinking area on the Promenade/ Queen Street Blackpool "

Chairman

(The meeting ended 11.15am)

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