

## MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2017

### **Present:**

Councillors

Hutton

Maycock

Singleton

### **In Attendance:**

Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Service

Chris Williams, Democratic Services Adviser

### **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 limit of five minutes for all parties.

### **4 APPLICATION TO REVIEW LICENCES SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF THE ANNUAL FEE**

The Licensing Panel considered an application to review 18 licences suspended for non-payment of the annual fee.

Mr Marshall, Licensing and Health and Safety Manager, was in attendance and made representations to the Panel.

The Panel noted that a series of visits by the Licensing Enforcement team had revealed a number of properties which had ceased trading and/or been converted into residential accommodation and the Licence Holder could not be contacted to ask them to surrender the licence.

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It was agreed that adequate notice of the hearing had been given to individual licence holders and they had each been invited to attend. Therefore, the Panel agreed to hear each case in the absence of the licence holders.

### **Bon Accord, 23 Crystal Road**

The Licence Holders, Colin and Jacqueline Bradley were not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall, Licensing and Health and Safety Manager who was in attendance, advised that Licensing Officer Dave Verity had visited the premises on 18 January 2017 and discovered that it had been purchased and converted into a residential property in 2015.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Bon Accord, 23 Crystal Road

### **Corner House Hotel, 50 Central Drive**

The Licence holder, Sharon Sable was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall reported that the premises had been visited on 19 January 2017 by Officer Verity who noted that the building was empty and unoccupied.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Corner House Hotel, 50 Central Drive.

### **Da Vinci Restaurant, 27-29 King Street**

The Licence holder, Vincenzo Barbera was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

The Panel was informed that the premises had been visited on 19 January 2017 by Officer Verity who confirmed that the building was empty and all business signage had been removed from the exterior of the building.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Da Vinci Restaurant, 27-29 King Street.

### **Henry's Wine Bar, 27 Queen Street**

The Licence holder, Kevin Saunders was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall advised that Officer Verity had visited the premises on 18 January 2017 and reported that it appeared to be a series of self-contained flats.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Henry's Wine Bar, 27 Queen Street.

### **Mallory Hotel, 340 Queens Promenade**

The Licence holder, Helen Mansbridge was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

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The Panel noted that the premises had been visited by Officer Verity on 18 January 2017 and had been converted into private residential apartments. It was now known as Dales View Apartments.

**The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Mallory Hotel, 340 Queens Promenade.

**New Strathmore Hotel, 3 Withnell Road**

The Licence holder, Julie Jones was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall informed Members that on 20 January 2017 the premises had been visited by Officer Verity who found the building to be empty with a large amount of post behind the door. Enquiries with neighbours revealed that the building had been empty for approximately five years.

**The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to New Strathmore Hotel, 3 Withnell Road.

**Mount Hotel, 47 Withnell Road**

The Licence holder, Martin Wheeler was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

It was reported that Officer Verity had visited the property on 20 January 2017 and discovered that the building had become part of the Bond Hotel next door. Officer Verity established that the building formerly known as the Mount Hotel was accessed through the Bond Hotel and all rooms had been converted into bedrooms. The signage on the building was also due to be removed.

**The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Mount Hotel, 47 Withnell Road.

**Philsden Hotel, 6 General Street**

The Licence holder, Sandra Openshaw was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall informed the Panel that a visit on 18 January 2017 by Officer Verity had established that this premises was now a private dwelling.

**The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Philsden Hotel, 6 General Street.

**Quenchers, 277 Devonshire Road**

The Licence holder, Parasurama Naidu was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

The Panel was informed that Officer Verity had visited the premises on 19 January 2017 which had become a butchers shop. The new owner confirmed that alcohol had not been sold there for approximately five years.

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### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Quenchers, 277 Devonshire Road.

### **Seaview Private Hotel, 142 Bond Street**

The Licence holder, Edith Conway was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall reported that Officer Verity had visited the premises on 18 January 2017 and established that it had been converted into two flats.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Seaview Private Hotel, 142 Bond Street.

### **Shadowlands Hotel, 22-30 Pleasant Street**

The Licence holder, Colin Groundwater was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Members noted that following a visit on 19 January 2017 by Officer Verity, he had established that the property had been converted into flats.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Shadowlands Hotel, 22-30 Pleasant Street.

### **Shaftesbury Hotel, 26 Shaftesbury Avenue**

The Licence holder, Fiona Brookes was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall advised that Officer Verity had visited the premises on 19 January 2017 and spoken to a Mr Guerin who now owned the property. He confirmed that the property had been converted into lodgings for foreign students and no longer had a bar.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Shaftesbury Hotel, 26 Shaftesbury Avenue.

### **Meadowcroft Hotel, 136-138 Bond Street**

The Licence holder, Allan Jones was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

The Panel noted that the premises had been visited by Officer Verity on 25 January 2017. It was established that it had been converted into two separate residential properties.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Meadowcroft Hotel, 136-138 Bond Street.

### **Seaview Hotel, 6 Dean Street**

The Licence holder, Linda Berry was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall advised the Panel that earlier on the day of the meeting, an agreement had been reached to transfer the licence and the fee for 2017/2018 had been paid in advance.

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### **The Panel agreed:**

No further action be taken.

### **Pizza Zone, 94 Bond Street**

The Licence holder, Ahmed Jamal was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

It was reported that following a visit to the premises on 25 January 2017 by Officer Verity, the takeaway had been closed. However, whilst the premises still operated as a takeaway it was now known as Hungry Chef's Pitstop.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Pizza Zone, 94 Bond Street.

### **Jassong Café, 76-80 Bolton Street**

The Licence holder, Roy Chadwick was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Members noted that Officer Verity had visited the premises on 25 January 2017 and reported that the property was no longer a café and had been converted into residential accommodation.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Jassong Café, 76-80 Bolton Street.

### **Best One, 24-30 Bond Street**

The Licence holder, Mohammed Ali was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

Mr Marshall advised that when Officer Verity visited the premises on 25 January 2017, the property had been closed and empty with some windows obscured by bin liners. On 14 February 2017, Mr Ali attended the licensing counter and indicated that he would come in by the end of that week to pay the outstanding fee.

The Panel noted that at the time the report had been written, the annual fee still had not been paid.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Best One, 24-30 Bond Street.

### **Adlon Hotel, 10 Pleasant Street**

The Licence holder, Kathleen Hannon was not in attendance and made no representations to the Panel.

It was reported that Office Verity had visited the premises on 25 January 2017 and spoke to a Mr Singh who advised that the property was in the process of being converted into flats.

### **The Panel agreed:**

To revoke the premises licence in relation to Adlon Hotel, 10 Pleasant Street.

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### **Chairman**

(The meeting ended at 4.58 pm)

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