

## MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2017

### **Present:**

Councillors

Humphreys

Hutton

Singleton

### **In Attendance:**

Lennox Beattie, Executive and Regulatory Support Manager

Mike Caveney, Assistant Head of Legal

### **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 ten minutes had been allocated for all parties.

### **4 APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICES- FOOD LOUNGE**

The Licensing Panel considered number of Temporary Event Notices submitted by Wasiu Salau in respect of events taking place 27-28 October 2017, 3-4 November 2017, 10-11 November 2017, 17-18 November 2017 at the Food Lounge, 22 Market Street. The notices proposed on all occasions allowing the sale of Late Night Refreshment between 11pm and 5am on the dates as applied for.

Mr Salau was in attendance and outlined his application. He explained that he understood the police concerns but emphasised that he would be a new operator of the premises. In response to questions Mr Salau explained that he had reached an agreement to purchase the business and have the lease reassigned from Mr Awadi but this had not yet take place.

Sgt Helen Parkinson was in attendance from Lancashire Constabulary and made representations to the Licensing Panel. She highlighted the significant concerns regarding crime and disorder which had led to the revocation of the previous Premises Licence. She explained that while the police's concerns were most acute regarding the conduct of Mr Awadi they were not satisfied that he was no longer involved in the premises. She also highlighted that in the absence of a Premises Licence no conditions could be imposed on the Temporary Event Notices if granted.

## **MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2017**

The Licensing Panel considered carefully the evidence submitted by all parties. It concluded that the issues regarding crime and disorder were still relevant with the premises and that the application should be refused.

### **Resolved:**

To issue Counter Notice to not allow the Temporary Event Notices in respect of 27-28 October 2017, 3-4 November 2017, 10-11 November 2017, 17-18 November 2017 at the Food Lounge, 22 Market Street

### **Chairman**

(The meeting ended 10.55 am)

Any queries regarding these minutes, please contact:  
Lennox Beattie Executive and Regulatory Manager  
Tel: 01253 477157  
E-mail: [lennox.beattie@blackpool.gov.uk](mailto:lennox.beattie@blackpool.gov.uk)