# MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2015

Present:		
Councillors		
Hutton	M Mitchell	O'Hara
In Attendance:		
Lennox Beattie, Executive and Regulatory Support Manager		

# 1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Service

# **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 the allocated guide line time limit of fifteen minutes for all parties.

## **4 APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE- VIDELLA HOTEL**

The Licensing Panel considered an application for a New Premises Licence in respect of the Vidella Hotel, 80-82 Dickson Road for the supply of alcohol to hotel guest 24 hours a day and to non-residents between the hours of 11.00am and 11.30pm (12 noon to 10.30pm on a Sunday).

The Panel noted the objections previously submitted by Lancashire Constabulary and Social Services had now withdrawn due to a change in the proposed Designated Premises Supervisor.

Mr Hargreaves, the applicant, assisting by Mr Littlejohns, his business partner outlined the application. They highlighted that the application was for a bar appealing to an older clientele and a restaurant/family lounge. They explained that the premises would not cause any issues and was a relatively modest proposal.

Mrs Bull spoke as a member of the public in objection to the application. She expressed concern as to the granting of a licence to serve alcohol to non residents and potential disorder in the area.

The Panel considered carefully the application, the objection, the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the Secretary of State's guidance.

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The Panel expressed concern as to conflict when non residents were asked to leave the premises with the last sale of alcohol being the same time as the premises shut to non residents and with people coming and going into the restaurant/family lounge.

It therefore made the following variations to the proposed Premises Licence;

- 1. That the sale of alcohol cease at 11pm (10am on Sundays) to non residents with the premises to continue close to non residents at 11.30pm (10.30pm on Sundays)
- 2. That all sales of alcohol in the restaurant area to be by means of table service only.

# **Resolved:**

That the application for a Premises Licence in respect of the Vidella Hotel, 80-82 Dickson Road be granted as amended.

### Chairman

(The meeting ended11.10 am)

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