

## MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - THURSDAY, 10 NOVEMBER 2016

### **Present:**

Councillors

G Coleman                  Humphreys                  Scott

### **In Attendance:**

Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Service  
Bernadette Jarvis, Senior Democratic Governance Adviser

### **1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

The Committee considered the appointment of a Chairman for the meeting.

**Resolved:** That Councillor Humphreys 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 fifteen minutes had been allocated for all parties.

### **4 APPLICATION FOR THE VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE- MA KELLY'S FOXHALL ROAD**

The Licensing Panel noted that Environmental Protection had recently withdrawn their representation objecting to the application to vary a Premises Licence in respect of Ma Kelly's, Foxhall Road and as such the hearing in respect of this application was cancelled.

### **5 APPLICATION FOR THE VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE- MA KELLY'S TALBOT ROAD**

The Licensing Panel considered an application to vary a Premises Licence in respect of Ma Kelly's, Talbot Road requesting an extension of the hours for the sale of alcohol and provision of regulated entertainment until 4am on Friday and Saturday with the premises closing to the public at 4.30am.

Mr Woosnam, solicitor representing the applicant, was in attendance at the meeting, accompanied by Mr Sugden, Manager of the Premises. Mr Woosnam presented the application and accepted that the premises was within the Council's designated Town Centre Saturation Area but due to the demographic of the clientele and the effective management of the Premises, he did not consider that the extension of hours as requested would impact further on the cumulative impact already experienced in the area. He requested that the Panel, if it was not minded to grant the application, to consider allowing a short extension to the current hours for licensable activities with the closing time remaining at 4am.

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Sergeant Parkinson, Lancashire Constabulary, was in attendance at the meeting and made representations to the Panel. She reported that Lancashire Constabulary's main concern was the location of the Premises which was within the Council's Town Centre Saturation Area and as such considered that an extension to the sale of alcohol and opening hours would negatively impact on the cumulative impact already experienced in the area. She presented statistical information on the incidents of crime and disorder already experienced which she attributed to the number of licensed premises and takeaway establishments operating in the area.

Sergeant Parkinson concluded by stating that, although extending the hours for the sale of alcohol remained a concern, Lancashire Constabulary's principal objection was the potential impact on the licensing objective of crime and disorder should an extension to the opening hours beyond 4am be granted.

In response to concerns raised by the Panel, Mr Woosnam and Mr Sugden reported on the security measures undertaken at the Premises which included CCTV and security personnel.

The Panel considered the application and noted that it was located within the designated Town Centre Saturation Area. The Panel was satisfied that a short extension to the hours for the sale of alcohol and provision of regulated entertainment would not impact on the licensing objective of crime and disorder. However, Members were not persuaded that an extension of the opening hours beyond 4am would not impact on the licensing objective of crime and disorder. The Panel therefore agreed to grant the application for the extension of the sale of alcohol and provision of regulated entertainment until 3.30am but to restrict the opening hours to 4am rather than the requested time of 4.30am.

**Resolved:** To agree a variation in the Premises Licence in respect of Ma Kelly's, Talbot Road to permit the sale of alcohol and regulated entertainment until 3.30am on Friday and Saturday with the Premises closing to the Public at 4am.

### Chairman

(The meeting ended 5.18 pm)

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