## MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - THURSDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2021

Councillors

Baker Hutton D Scott

## In Attendance:

Lennox Beattie, Executive and Regulatory Manager Sharon Davies, Senior Licensing Solicitor

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

# **4 APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE- SHERBORNE CONVENIENCE STORE**

The Licensing Panel considered an application for a new Premises Licence in respect of Sherborne Convenience Store, 80 Sherborne Road seeking permission to sell alcohol for consumption off the premises between 1000 to 2200 hours daily.

The Panel noted that the application had been invited to the hearing but had indicated that they would not be attending as they felt the application form included all the relevant information.

Mr Lee Petrak, Trading Standards and Licensing Manager, was in attendance on behalf of the Licensing Authority and made representations. He highlighted the concerns of the Licensing Authority and reminded members that the premises were located within the Cumulative Impact Area which created a presumption against further off-licences in the area. He emphasised his view that there was no reason in the application to depart from this policy.

PC Guy Harrison was also in attendance and made representations on behalf of Lancashire Constabulary. He emphasised the Police's view that the number, density and type of premises in the area gave rise to serious problems of crime and disorder in the area.

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Louise Scales and Kerry Burrow were also in attendance on behalf of Children's Services Licensing and Public Health respectively. They both spoke in support of refusal of the application.

The Panel considered carefully the application, noting that it was within the Cumulative Impact Zone. It considered that there were not sufficient grounds to depart from the policy given the problems of crime and disorder in the area.

Resolved:

That the application for a new Premises Licence in respect of Sherborne Convenience Store, 80 Sherborne Road, be refused. **Chairman** 

(The meeting ended10.25 am)

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