MINUTES OF LICENSING PANEL MEETING - TUESDAY, 13 JUNE 2023

Present:

Councillors

Hunter Roe S Smith

In Attendance:

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

1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

The Licensing Panel considered the appointment of a Chairman for the meeting.

Resolved:

That Councillor Hunter be appointed Chairman for the meetings.

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 THE VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE- RONNIE'S BAR AND EATERY, 54-56 WHITEGATE DRIVE

The Licensing Panel considered an application for the Variation of a Premises Licence in respect of Ronnie's Bar and Eatery, 54-56 Whitegate Drive. The variation sought to extend the hours for the sale of alcohol by one hour Sundays to Thursdays. The effect being that the hours of operation would be the same 7 days a week.

The applicant, Mr Craig Allen, was in attendance accompanied by his agent Mr Mark Marshall who spoke in support of the application. Mr Marshall highlighted the relatively modest nature of the extension and the nature of the premises. Mr Marshall highlighted the mediation agreement reached with Lancashire Constabulary previously and that no responsible authorities had objected to the variation application.

The public objector Mr Pritchard was not in attendance but the Panel considered his representations.

The Panel considered that there was not sufficient grounds to show that refusing, the application would be appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, the panel felt that it is appropriate having regard to Mr Pritchard's comments to add the following

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condition to the licence to ensure the Licensing Objective of Prevention of Public Nuisance.

• The rear door must only be used for access and egress and should not be left open except in the case of emergency

Resolved;

That the application for the variation of the Premises Licence in respect of Ronnie's Bar, 54-58 Whitegate Drive, Blackpool be granted subject to the condition outlined.

Chairman

(The meeting ended10.40 am)

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