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DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 3RD MAY, 2017

A MEETING of the LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE was held at the COUNCIL CHAMBER - CIVIC OFFICE on WEDNESDAY, 3RD MAY, 2017, at 9.30 am.

PRESENT:

Chair - Councillor Ken Keegan

Councillors Iris Beech, Steve Cox and Charlie Hogarth.

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, IF ANY

There were no declarations made at the meeting.

2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28TH MARCH, 2017

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 28th March, 2017, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3 LICENSING ACT 2003 - APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION OF AN EXISTING PREMISES LICENCE, TESCO, ADLARD ROAD, WHEATLEY HILLS, DONCASTER, DN2 5NH

The Sub-Committee considered an Application for a variation of an existing premises licence in respect of Tesco, Adlard Road, Wheatley Hills, Doncaster DN2 5NH.

The Sub-Committee Members, the Applicant, the persons making representations and Responsible Authorities had received the agenda prior to the meeting. Copies of the representations were attached at Appendix E to the report.

Subsequent to the despatch of the agenda papers, additional information from one of the persons making representations had been circulated to Members' of the Sub-Committee, the Applicant, the Responsible Authorities and interested parties, prior to the meeting.

At the commencement of the hearing, the Chair made introductions and outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant and those persons attending, who had made written representations, a local resident and Councillor Jane Kidd, local ward Member, made representations and answered questions.

All parties were then asked to leave the Council Chamber, to allow the Members of the Sub-Committee to deliberate on the application.

The Committee reached the following decision:-

RESOLVED that the Licensing Sub-Committee, having considered an Application for a variation of the Premises Licence in respect of Tesco, Adlard Road, Wheatley Hills, Doncaster DN2 5NH and having taken into account the

written representations made and the evidence presented at the meeting, the steps that are appropriate to promote the Licensing Objectives, the Home Office Guidance and the Statement of Licensing Policy, decided to grant the Application in the terms set out in Appendix B of the Agenda.

The Sub-Committee made its decision for the following reason:-

The interested parties submitted that they had concerns about the anti-social behaviour occurring close to the Tesco store, caused by youths. They had experienced problems with noise, drunkenness and nuisance.

The Applicant submitted that they wanted to extend their licensing hours to be in line with the opening hours. They referred to Section 6.15 of the Council's Licensing Policy which says that as a general rule, shops should be free to provide sales of alcohol at any time when the retail outlet was open.

The Sub-Committee found that whilst they had sympathy with the residents, there was no evidence that any alcohol was being sold to youths by Tesco, or that the store was responsible for the problems. The Sub-Committee also took into account that the Police had not made any representations about crime and disorder. The Sub-Committee welcomed the fact that Tesco would try and work with residents where they were able to.

CHAIR: _____

DATE: _____