

DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE 'A'

14TH APRIL, 2015

A MEETING of the LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE 'A' was held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICE, DONCASTER, on TUESDAY, 14TH APRIL, 2015, at 9.40 A.M.

PRESENT:

Chair – Councillor Ken Keegan

Councillors Iris Beech, Neil Gethin and James Hart.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made at the meeting.

2. APPLICATION FOR THE REVIEW OF THE PREMISES LICENCE FOR ALCOHOL OFF SALES - HOLMES MARKET FOOD STORE, 9-10 HOLMES MARKET, WHEATLEY, DONCASTER, DN1 2NE

The Sub-Committee considered an Application for the review of the premises licence for alcohol off sales in respect of Holmes Market Food Store, 9-10 Holmes Market, Wheatley, Doncaster, DN1 2NE, by Doncaster Trading Standards (the Applicant) following action undertaken by the Department's Officers.

The Sub-Committee Members, the Applicant, persons making representations, the Premise's Licence Holder's representative and Responsible Authorities, had as at 13th April, 2015, received the Agenda prior to the meeting. However, it was reported that Premises License Holder was no longer being represented by John Gaunt & Partners Solicitors.

The Chair made introductions and outlined the procedure to be followed.

As the Premises Licence Holder was not in attendance at the commencement of the meeting, the Officer representing the Applicant made representations and answered questions.

All parties were then asked to leave the room whilst the Sub-Committee deliberated on the Application and reached a decision.

During the Sub-Committee's deliberations, the Chair, Councillor Ken Keegan, was subsequently informed by the Council's Legal Officer that the Premises Licence Holder had arrived and wished to attend the meeting.

3. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

In light of the representations made, the Chair adjourned the proceedings at 10.15 a.m., in order to allow the Council's Legal Officer to confer with the Premises Licence Holder.

RESOLVED that in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17(I), the meeting stood adjourned at 10.15 a.m.

4. RECONVENING OF MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 10.20 a.m.

In the presence of the Premises Licence Holder and his associate, the Chair stated the hearing would start again from the beginning. The Chair made introductions and outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Officer representing the Applicant made representations and answered questions.

The Officer representing the Licensing Authority made representations and answered questions.

The Premises Licence Holder made representations and answered questions.

The Premises Licence Holder was given the opportunity to make a closing statement.

All parties were then asked to leave the room whilst the Sub-Committee deliberated on the Application and reached a decision.

RESOLVED that the Licensing Sub-Committee 'A', having considered an Application for the review of the Premises Licence for alcohol off sales in respect of Holmes Market Food Store, 9-10 Holmes Market, Wheatley, Doncaster, DN1 2NE, and having taken into account the relevance of 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 Council's Statement of Licensing Policy, decided to revoke the Premises License.

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

The Committee believe the premises have been used for the purpose of crime contrary to the Licensing Objective of the Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

Also, several breeches of Licensing Conditions have occurred.