

# DORSET COUNCIL - LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2020

Present: Cllrs Emma Parker, Julie Robinson and Les Fry

Also present: Ms Webb - Applicant

# Officers present (for all or part of the meeting):

Elaine Tibble (Senior Democratic Services Officer), Lara Altree (Senior Lawyer - Regulatory), Roy Keepax (Licensing Officer) and Aileen Powell (Team Leader Licensing)

# 21. Election of Chairman and Statement for the Procedure of the Meeting

Proposed by Cllr Fry, seconded by Cllr Robinson.

Decision: that CIIr Emma Parker be elected as Chairman for the duration of the meeting.

# 22. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Heatley as the application was in his Ward.

#### 23. **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests were made at the meeting.

## 24. Variation for Lobo Loco Tex Mex, Weymouth

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report for the application to vary the licence at Lobo Loco Tex Mex in Weymouth.

The current licence allowed the sale of alcohol on and off the premises, between 12:00 -14:30hrs, and 17:30 - 23:00hrs.

The application was to vary the licence by adding 30 minutes in the morning, the hours between 14:30 and 17:30, plus an hour at the end of the day for alcohol sales and to add late night refreshment to 01:00hrs.

Following the advertisement of the application, 8 representations had been received. In response to the representations, the applicants had amended the hours being applied for to:-

Sale of alcohol on and off the premises 11:30–23:00hrs

Late night refreshment (hot food & drink) Christmas eve & new years eve only - 23:00-01:00hrs

The amended hours resulted in four representations being withdrawn leaving four outstanding, hence the application being heard by the panel.

The Applicant was invited to address the panel. Ms Webb advised that the application was to cover solely for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve opening. Most evenings the restaurant was shut by 21.30/22.00hrs.

In response to panel questioning over any concerns from residents since she had taken over the premises in July of this year, Ms Webb informed members that following one complaint about smells, a new extractor had been fitted, and the premises had since been given a 5 star report from the Environmental Health Officer.

There were no further questions and all parties were given the opportunity to sum up their case. The Applicant re-iterated that she had no intention to open the restaurant any later on a regular basis, the application was purely for the benefit of, possibly, Christmas Eve, but mainly New Year's Eve.

# **Exempt Business**

Proposed by Cllr Fry, seconded by Cllr Robinson.

Decision: That the press and the public be excluded for the following item(s) in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the meaning of paragraph 3 of schedule 12 A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The panel members retired to make their decision.

Decision: To GRANT the variation of the Premises Licence to permit the following:

- Sale of alcohol on and off the premises 11.30am to 23:00hrs daily
- Late night refreshment (hot food & drink) Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve only - 23:00-01:00hrs

## 25. New Premises Licence for Wimborne Football Club

This application had been withdrawn prior to the committee meeting.

## 26. **Urgent items**

There were no urgent items.

Duration of meeting: 10.00 - 10.30 am
Chairman