

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3 APRIL 2023

Present: Cllrs Jon Andrews, Les Fry and Emma Parker

Also present: Jamie Craig (Applicant for the Closet, Weymouth)

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

Philip Crowther (Legal Business Partner - Regulatory), Kathryn Miller (Senior Licensing Officer), Kate Critchel (Senior Democratic Services Officer), John Miles (Democratic Services Officer Apprentice), Jane Williams (Team Leader - Public Protection), Nichola Robinson (Senior Technical Officer) and Hannah Massey (Lawyer - Regulatory).

153. Election of Chairman and Statement for the Procedure of the Meeting

Proposed by Cllr Les Fry, seconded by Cllr Emma Parker.

Decision: that Cllr Jon Andrews be elected as chairman for the duration of the meeting.

154. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Cathy Lugg and David Morgan, substituted by Cllrs Les Fry and Emma Parker.

155. Declarations of Interest

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

156. Urgent items

There were no urgent items.

157. Temporary Event Notice- Closet, Weymouth

The Senior Licensing Officer introduced the report for a Temporary Event Notice which covers a period from 0300 hours to 0400 on Friday 7th, Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th April for the sale of alcohol, regulated entertainment and late-night entertainment.

The notice had been considered by Environmental Protection and Dorset Police.

The TEN was to extend the operational hours, as under condition 29 of the Closet's premises licence, the bar side of the premises must have a cooling down period from 0200 hours with the area to close at 0300 hours. Under the TEN, the

applicant requested to have the cooling down period to start at 0300 hours with the area to close at 0400 hours.

Environmental Protection requested conditions to be added to the licence.

All parties were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Cllrs asked the applicant questions regarding why he wanted the extra hour, security, road marshals, if he had contact with the local community and if there had been any issues with the police.

The applicant informed that he wanted to extend the licensed hours for the bank holiday weekend so there would be a soft close and a gradual disperse of people and to reduce antisocial behaviour. There was a road marshal employed to monitor the smoking area and keep people quiet.

The applicant accepted the conditions that Environmental Protection requested.

Environmental Protection made the committee aware that the conditions requested were for the control of noise and protection of public nuisance objective.

The applicant was currently installing insulation to reduce noise levels and had a noise management plan.

All parties were given the opportunity to sum up their case prior to the sub-licensing committee adjourning to make their decision.

158. **Exempt Business**

Proposed by Cllr Les Fry, seconded by Cllr Emma Parker.

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).

Decision:

To ISSUE A NOTICE (STATEMENT OF CONDITIONS) to add all of the conditions except Condition 29 of Annex 3 from The Closet Premises Licence to the TEN.

Duration of meeting: 2.00 - 3.15 pm

Chairman

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