

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 2 AUGUST 2024

Present: Cllrs Jill Haynes, Craig Monks and Kate Wheller

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

Elaine Tibble (Senior Democratic Services Officer), Lara Atree (Senior Lawyer - Regulatory), Roy Keepax (Senior Licensing Officer) and John Miles (Democratic Services Officer)

Also present: Mr Horton (Applicant), Ms Ramsay (Bar Staff), Mr Hanger (Door Staff) and Mr Wilberforce (Representation).

51. **Election of Chair and Statement for the Procedure of the Meeting**

Proposed by Cllr Kate Wheller, seconded by Cllr Craig Monks.

Decision: that Cllr Jill Haynes be elected as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

52. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Louise Bown and Matt Bell, substituted by Cllrs Craig Monks and Kate Wheller.

53. **Declarations of Interest**

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

54. **Urgent items**

There were no urgent items.

55. **Premises Licence Application for Bridport Dagger, Bridport.**

The Senior Licensing Officer presented the report. The application was to consider a new premises licence application which had applied for a full range of regulated entertainment, Monday to Sunday 08.00 to 02.00. Non-standard timings of New Years Eve until 04.00, May bank holiday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday until 04.00 and August bank holiday Friday, Saturday and Sunday until 04.00. Late night refreshment indoors Monday to Sunday 23.00 hours to 02.00 hours daily with extensions to 04.00 hours for New Year's Eve, May and August bank holiday weekends to 04.00 hours. The sale of alcohol (on and off the Premises) was requested daily from 08:00 hours to 02:00 hours with extended hours for New Year's Eve, May and August Bank Holiday weekends to 04:00 hours. The

Applicant asked for the Premises to be permitted to open daily from 08:00 hours to 02:30 hours with extended hours for New Year's Eve, May and August Bank Holiday weekends to 04:30 hours.

Mr Horton made the Sub-Committee aware that he operated the premises No.10 in Bridport. He planned to move to the new venue Bridport Dagger and applied for a range of regulated entertainment for flexibility but would not use them all every day. He confirmed that he had applied for different hours on the planning application and understood that he would be limited to those hours even if a premises licence was granted for longer hours. Music would be played on the ground floor at the front of the building. He informed that the premises was a former bank building and had thick walls and fire doors between the front and back of the building which would reduce sound. The windows at the rear of the building were double glazed. He explained that he would test the speakers himself, assessing noise levels outside and deal with any issues and the amps would be controlled from the bar. He was open to adding sound proofing if noise escaped out the back of the premises. The rear doors were alarmed and had CCTV systems which could be viewed by the staff in the bar. He would have at least two door staff working on Fridays and Saturdays and had experience preventing people entering the venue who were intoxicated.

Ms Ramsey spoke on behalf of the applicant and informed that Mr Horton had improved the venue quite a lot and that they were going to work with the community and did not intend to be a nuisance. They would open at 10 am and would not serve alcohol at 8 am. She felt that the premises would be good for Bridport and provide somewhere for younger people to go which opened later and which would not be a nightclub playing loud music.

The Sub-Committee heard from Mr Wilberforce who lived close to the premises. He raised concerns regarding noise keeping him awake at night and about doors at the back of the premises being kept open when music was playing so sound would escape. The premises was close to residential properties and the high walls channelled noise towards Rax Lane. He requested that all windows and doors be kept closed. He raised that Mr Horton had gone a long way to decrease his fears in relation to reduced hours and sound baffling but was concerned about noise escaping from rear doors and windows even if they were double glazed and noise from the ventilation system. He did not want intoxicated customers to come into his garden, as he had purchased the rear garden from the bank and agreed it could be used as a fire escape in emergencies. He asked that doors could be alarmed and monitored by staff. He informed that 2 nights a week at 2 am was too much and preferred one night a week at 2 am. Mr Wilberforce stated that Mr Horton could run a good venue, but he was concerned if another person might take it over and not run it so well.

All parties were given the opportunity to have their say and sum up.

Decision:

To GRANT a Premises Licence with the usual mandatory conditions, the conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule, and the conditions added by the Sub-Committee as set out below, to permit the following:

Plays (indoors)

Sunday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 hours

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 02:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 11:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

Films (indoors)

Sunday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 hours

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 02:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 11:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

Indoor Sporting Events (indoors)

Sunday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 hours

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 02:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 11:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

Boxing or Wrestling Entertainments (indoors)

Sunday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 hours

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 02:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 11:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

Live music and recorded music (indoors)

Sunday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 hours

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 02:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 11:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

Performances of Dance (indoors)

Sunday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 hours

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 02:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 11:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

Anything of a similar description to that falling within e, f or g (indoors)

Sunday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00 hours

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 02:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 11:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 11:00 to 02.00 hours

Late night refreshment (indoors)

Monday to Thursday 23:00 to midnight

Friday and Saturday 23:00 to 02:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 23:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 23:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 23:00 to 02.00 hours

Supply of alcohol (on & off the premises)

Monday to Thursday 08:00 to midnight

Friday and Saturday 08:00 to 02:00 hours

Sunday 11:00 to 23:00 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 08:00 to 04.00 hours

The Sunday before the May Bank Holiday 08:00 to 02.00 hours

The Sunday before the August Bank Holiday 08:00 to 02.00 hours

Hours open to the public

Monday to Thursday 08:00 to 00:30 hours

Friday and Saturday 08:00 to 02:30 hours

Sunday 11:00 to 23:30 hours

Non-standard timings:

New Year's Eve 08:00 to 04.30 hours

The Sunday before the May bank holiday 08:00 to 02.30 hours

The Sunday before the August bank holiday 08:00 to 02.30 hours

Conditions Consistent with the Operating Schedule

The Premises Licence Holder shall always be on call if needed and sales of alcohol will be made with a Personal Licence Holder in the building.

Water will always be available for customers on request.

There will be first aiders on site when needed.

Fire Checks will be carried out weekly.

No customers under the age of 18 will be permitted in the Premises after 22:00 hours.

The venues windows will be sound proofed when live music is played.

Conditions Added by the Sub-Committee

1. From 22.00hrs until the premises and vicinity are cleared of all patrons and staff, there shall be a minimum of 2 SIA registered door staff employed at the premises on Friday and Saturday and when non-standard timings noted on the application are utilised.
2. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure the following details are noted in a register for each door supervisor: a) Full name b) SIA badge number c) Times duties start and end.
3. The register shall be kept at the premises and be available on request by an Authorised Officer of the Licensing Authority or the Police.
4. All door supervisors shall wear high visibility clothing to ensure clear identification.
5. A CCTV system shall be fitted, maintained and operated and will be operational at all times the Premises are in use for licensable activities showing the correct time and date. The CCTV must include coverage of the 2 rear doors to the Premises and those 2 doors must have alarms fitted which will identify when they are opened.
6. Recordings shall be made available to the Licensing Authority and Police upon request.
7. Should the CCTV system become non-functional this will be reported immediately to the Licensing Authority and Police.
8. At all times the Premises are open at least one member of staff will be on duty who shall be trained to operate the system in order to supply images.
9. The CCTV system will have sufficient storage retention capacity for a minimum of 28 days continuous footage.
10. The Premises Licence Holder will adopt a Challenge 25 policy where all customers who appear under the age of 25 and attempt to buy alcohol or other age restricted products are asked for proof of age.
11. The Premises Licence Holder will prominently display notices advising customers of the of the Challenge 25 policy with Proof of Age cards bearing the 'Pass' hologram symbol, UK Photo Driving Licence and Passport being accepted forms of identification.
12. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that an incident report log is maintained detailing all incidents concerning the licensing objectives that are linked to the premises which shall be made available to the Licensing Authority and Police upon request.

13. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure a refusals register is maintained at the Premises which shall be made available to the Licensing Authority and Police upon request.
14. The Premises Licence Holder will ensure that each member of staff authorised to sell alcohol has received training on the Licensing Act 2003 in this regard with written training kept for inspection by the Licensing Authority and Police for a minimum of 12 months.
15. A secure facility will be available for the storage of any drugs discovered by any means at the Premises.
16. All dispensed drinks shall be into toughened safety glasses of the appropriate safety standards
17. Contact numbers for hackney carriage and private hire taxis shall be available at the Premises for patrons.
18. The outside rear garden will not be open to the public.
19. There will be no speakers outside.
20. There will be no regulated entertainment in the garden.
21. All doors and windows will be closed when entertainment is on, except for access and egress.
22. There will be no lights in the back except for emergency lighting
23. The rear door of the building is 'fire exit only'.
24. There will be no access to the building from Rax Lane.
25. There will be legible and appropriately worded signs displayed at access and egress points advising customers to leave quietly.
26. A Noise Management Plan (NMP) will be in place before the venue opens, this will be supplied to and agreed by the Licensing Authority before any regulated entertainment takes place. Any changes to the way in which regulated entertainment is supplied at the venue will require an updated NMP to be submitted to and agreed by the Licensing Authority.
27. Monitoring shall occur, of regulated entertainment, from 21.00hrs, at identified locations stipulated in the Noise Management Plan, until it stops, at a frequency of a minimum of every hour. Monitoring shall be recorded, and any action taken, contemporaneously, and be made available on request by the Responsible Authorities.
28. A direct telephone number for the manager at the Premises shall be publicly available at all times that the Premises is open.

56. **Exempt Business**

There was no exempt business.

Duration of meeting: 10.30 - 11.30 am

Chairman

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