

Minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee 1

8 August 2019 at 10.00am at Sandwell Council House, Oldbury

Present: Councillor Allen(Chair);

Councillors Crumpton and I Jones.

Apology: Councillor O Jones.

Matters Delegated to the Sub Committee to exercise those functions of the Licensing Committee under the Licensing Act 2003 and any regulations made under that Act, together with any related functions.

46/19 Review of a Premises Licence under Section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of Curry N Grill House, 178 Walsall Road, Stone Cross, West Bromwich, B71 3LH

The Sub Committee was requested to consider an application made by West Midlands Police for a review of the premises licence in respect of Curry N Grill House, 178 Walsall Road, Stone Cross, West Bromwich, B71 2LH in respect to the prevention of crime and disorder and public safety licensing objectives.

The premises was described as a public house situated on a busy traffic island in the Stone Cross area of West Bromwich. The premises licence was granted on 30th August 2005 and the current Premises Licence Holder and Designated Premises Supervisor was Harpeet Singh Lidhar.

On 1st June 2019 a serious incident occurred within the premises near the pool table which resulted in a male being taken out of the premises with what was later diagnosed as a broken leg. Whilst

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the victim was outside he was subjected to a further assault and the incident was still being investigated by West Midlands Police.

The Licensing Officer for Sandwell had met with the Premises Licence Holder in April 2019 in relation to calls of disorder at the premises and good practice guidance.

The premises now had two SIA door staff present after 9.00pm on Friday and Saturday night as that was the busiest time for the premises. It was considered that door staff were not required during the week.

The Sub Committee was advised that the Police and the Premises Licence Holder had met, and the Police had proposed a number of modified conditions.

The Sub Committee took advice from its Legal Advisor before adjourning to make a decision on the application.

The Sub Committee was minded to approve the modified and additional conditions as proposed by the Police with the exception of the condition in respect to the usage of the pool table.

The Sub Committee heard that the premises participated in a Black Country pool league and felt that whilst some regulation of this facility was necessary, it could be restricted to the busiest nights on Friday and Saturday with a cessation time of 10.00pm rather than no pool be played after 9.00pm.

Resolved that the modified and additional conditions as follows be attached to the Premises Licence:-

- (1) That the hours of licensable activities, namely the supply of alcohol, the playing of recorded music, live music, where licensable, the showing of films and the provision of late night refreshment be reduced and permitted from 10.00am to midnight instead of until 1.00am 7days a week.
- (2) The permitted opening hours of the premises were to be from 10.00am to 12.30am 7 days a week.

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- (3) That an incident book was to be kept at the premises and made available to any responsible authority on request.
- (4) That a refusal book be kept on the premises and made available to any responsible authority on request.
- (5) Any pool table at the premises must not be used after 10.00pm on Friday and Saturday and all the equipment including pool balls and cues would not be available for members of the public.
- (6) Staff to undertake training in relation to under-age sales and alcohol sales. This would be recorded in a training log and made available to any responsible authority on request.
- (7) The premises to adopt a challenge 25 scheme and posters would be displayed in the bar areas.
- (8) CCTV to be installed at the premises which was GDPR compliant and recordings to be kept for a minimum of 28 days. CCTV footage would be handed to any responsible authority on request.
- (9) A member of staff, who was able to download CCTV footage, to be on the premises at all times when licensable activity was taking place.
- (10) No open glasses containing alcohol to be taken outside of the premises after 9.00pm, only sealed containers.

(Meeting ended at 10.34 am)

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