

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
 LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD IN  
 THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WALLFIELDS,  
 HERTFORD ON THURSDAY 12  
 FEBRUARY 2015, AT 2.00 PM

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PRESENT: Councillor Eric Buckmaster (Chairman).  
 Councillors E Bedford and R Beeching.

ALSO PRESENT:

Councillors J Jones and P Moore.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Lorraine Blackburn	- Democratic Services Officer
Robin Clark	- Licensing Enforcement and Community Safety Manager
Oliver Rawlings	- Senior Specialist Licensing Officer
George Robertson	- Legal Services Manager
Tina Wilson	- Business Support Manager

22 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Councillor R Beeching and seconded by Councillor E Bedford that Councillor E Buckmaster be appointed Chairman for the Licensing Sub-Committee meeting.

RESOLVED – that Councillor E Buckmaster be appointed Chairman of the Licensing Sub-Committee for the meeting.

23 MINUTES – 12 SEPTEMBER 2014

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 September 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

24 APPLICATIONS BY C AND T GROUP LIMITED FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE AT 15 MAIDENHEAD STREET, HERTFORD SG14 1DW

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The Chairman outlined the procedure to be followed. All those present were introduced.

The Senior Specialist Licensing Officer advised the Sub-Committee of the details of the application and explained that the Police had suggested a number of conditions, the detail of which was set out in paragraph 2.3 of the report. The Senior Specialist Licensing Officer explained that four objections to the application had been received, as summarised in the report. He referred to additional information from the objectors which had been circulated to Members on 9 February 2015. Members were advised to consider whether the applicant's proposed licensable activities would undermine the four licensing objectives.

The applicant referred to the objections and was happy to propose a number of amendments to the opening times. He advised Members that he proposed to have external seating and chairs located to the front of the premises between the hours of 8am to 10 pm. The applicant explained the problem associated with the soundproofing and assured Members that this had now been resolved with the landlord. The applicant advised that he had provided 50% of the funding to resolve this problem.

Councillor R Beeching referred to each of the objectors' representations in relation to litter picks, the take-away service, customers' parking and fire exits. The applicant provided an explanation of how each area of concern.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Senior Specialist

Licensing Officer clarified the opening times for the supply of alcohol and food for consumption on and off the premises.

The Chairman reminded the applicant that permission for the external seating arrangements was an issue for Hertfordshire County Council to determine.

At the conclusion of the representations, the Sub-Committee withdrew with the Legal Services Manager and Democratic Services Officer to consider the evidence.

Following this they returned, the Chairman stated that Members had carefully considered the comments put forward and had agreed to revised opening times as amended by the applicant and conditions suggested by the Police, with the exception of a condition regarding “outside tables and chairs” which was a matter for Hertfordshire County Council.

RESOLVED – that the application for a new premises licence, as amended, be approved as follows:

Sale of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises:

Monday to Saturday 08:00 – 23:00  
Sunday 08:00 – 22:30

Premises open to the public:

Monday to Saturday 08:00 – 00:00  
Sunday 08:00 – 22:30

The meeting closed at 2.35 pm

Chairman .....
Date .....