

MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

31 MARCH 2011

Present:

Councillor R.W. Sider (Chairman)

Councillors R.B. Colison-Crawford and Mrs V.J. Leighton

88/11 APPLICATION BY SURREY POLICE FOR THE REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE IN RESPECT OF FOREST & OCEAN, 13-15 HIGH STREET, STAINES, MIDDLESEX, TW18 4QY

The Chairman introduced members and officers present and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He asked the respondent's representatives, applicant for the review and interested party to identify themselves. He then explained the procedure to be followed at the meeting.

The Council's solicitor summarised the details of the application for review called by Surrey Police on the grounds of prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance, which had been set out in full in the report of the Head of Environmental Health and Building Control Services.

Surrey Police's Licensing Sergeant outlined the concerns of the police in relation to the number of crime and disorder incidents occurring at the premises.

Four representations had been received from interested parties living in the vicinity. The interested party spoke on behalf of the residents. In summary the representations concerned:

- Intimidating crowds of 40+ people outside premises on Friday and Saturday nights after midnight
- Persons urinating
- Persons intruding on private property
- Noise coming from inside venue
- Noise from crowds gathering outside the premises after 11pm
- Litter in form of cigarette butts
- Vomit

The respondent's solicitor presented her client's case and response to the application for Review.

The Chairman opened the matter for discussion.

Having heard the evidence presented, the Sub-Committee retired to consider and determine the application for review, having regard to the four licensing objectives.

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Upon reconvening, the Chairman gave the Sub-Committee's summary decision.

The full decision with reasons would be notified to the applicant for the review, the respondent and interested parties within five working days of the hearing.

RESOLVED that the premises licence in respect of Forest and Ocean, 13-15 High Street, Staines be modified by addition of conditions and reduction of licensable hours, as set out in full in the attached Decision Notice.