



Leicester
City Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the
LICENSING (HEARINGS) SUB-COMMITTEE

Held: WEDNESDAY, 4 MARCH 2026 at 10:00 am

P R E S E N T:

Councillor Pickering (Chair)

Councillor Cank

Councillor Cassidy

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1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Councillor Pickering was appointed as Chair.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

4. PRIVATE SESSION

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following reports in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, because it involves the likely disclosure of 'exempt' information, as defined in the Paragraphs detailed below of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and taking all the circumstances into account, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the information as exempt outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Paragraph 1

Information relating to an individual.

Paragraph 2

Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

Paragraph 7

Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

B1) Application to Transfer an Existing Premises Licence Holder and Vary the Designated Premises Supervisor - Dog House, 58-64 Braunstone Gate, Leicester

5. APPLICATION TO TRANSFER AN EXISTING PREMISES LICENCE - DOG HOUSE, 58-64 BRAUNSTONE GATE, LEICESTER

Councillor Pickering, as Chair led on introductions and outlined the procedure the hearing would follow.

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submitted a report on an application for a transfer of an existing premises licence for Dog House, 58-64 Braunstone Gate, Leicester.

The hearing was adjourned from 18 February 2026.

The applicant was SC PUBCO Ltd. Its director Mr Trafford Parsons, and the DPS Ms Julie Boyce were in attendance. Also in attendance were PC Jefferson Pritchard, Leicestershire Police, Lynsay Coupe and Victoria Marshall, the Licensing Team. Also present were the Team Manager (Regulatory Services) and the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee.

The Licensing Team Manager (Regulatory Services) presented the report and outlined details of the application.

A representation with regards to the transfer application was received on 20 January 2026 from Leicestershire Police in relation to the prevention of crime and disorder. Leicestershire Police had serious concerns regarding the proposed licence holder, as well as the prevention of crime and disorder, their concerns also related to prevention of public nuisance, public safety and protection of children from harm.

Leicestershire Police also submitted additional information in relation to their transfer objection.

PC Pritchard, Police Constable for Leicestershire Police, was given the opportunity to outline the details of their evidence and answered questions from Members and the applicant.

Mr Parsons and Ms Boyce were given the opportunity to address the Sub-Committee and answered questions from the Members and officers.

All parties present were then given the opportunity to sum up their positions and make any final comments.

The Sub-Committee received legal advice from the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee in the presence of all those present and were advised of the options available to them in making their decision. The Sub-Committee were also advised of the relevant policy and statutory guidance that needed to be taken into account when making their decision.

In reaching their decision, Members felt they should deliberate in private on the basis that this was in the public interest, and as such this outweighed the public interest of their deliberation taking place with the parties represented present, in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

The Chair announced that the decision and reasons would be announced in writing within five working days. The Chair informed the meeting that the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee would be called back to give advice on the wording of the decision.

The Sub-Committee recalled the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee to give advice on the wording of the decision.

RESOLVED:

The Sub-Committee's decision is that it is appropriate for the promotion of the prevention of crime and disorder licensing objective to **TRANSFER** the Premises Licence for the Dog House, 58-64 Braunstone Gate, Leicester to SC PUBCO Ltd.

The reasons for the decision would be provided in writing to all parties within five working days.

Any appeal against this decision must be made within 21 days of the date of this decision to the Magistrates Court.

6. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

With there being no further business, the meeting closed at 11:49am.

