

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

Held: FRIDAY, 9 DECEMBER 2016 at 9:30 am

PRESENT:

Councillor Hunter (Chair)
Councillor Cank (Vice Chair)

Councillor Shelton

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6. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Councillor Hunter was elected Chair for the meeting.

7. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

8. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary or other interests they may have in the business on the agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

9. APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE: RED APPLE SUPERMARKET, HANNAM COURT, CHARLES STREET, LEICESTER

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submitted a report that required Members to determine an application for a new premises licence for Red Apple Supermarket, 7-9 Hannam Court, Charles Street, Leicester, LE1 3FS.

Members noted that a representation had been received in respect of the application, which necessitated that the application had to be considered by Members.

Mr Roma Karim Rasoul (Designated Premises Supervisor) was present at the meeting accompanied by Mr Close, representative for Red Apple Supermarket.

The Licensing Team Manager and the Solicitor to the Sub-Committee were also present at the hearing.

It was note that a nearby resident who had made a representation, the resident had supplied written apologies for absence from the meeting which the Members were provided with.

Introductions were made and the procedure for the meeting was outlined to those present.

The Licensing Team Manager presented the report and outlined the details of the application. It was noted that a representation had been made that related to the prevention of public nuisance.

Mr Rasoul and Mr Close were given the opportunity to outline the details of the application, responded to points made and answered questions from Members.

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

Prior to Members considering the application, the Solicitor to the Sub-Committee advised Members of the options available to them in making a decision. Members 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 outweighed the public interest of their deliberation taking place with the parties represented present.

The Licensing Team Manager, Solicitor to the Sub-Committee, Mr Rasoul and Mr Close then withdrew from the meeting.

Members then gave the application full and detailed consideration.

The Solicitor to the Sub-Committee was then recalled to the hearing to give advice on the wording of the decision.

The Licensing Team Manager, Mr Rasoul and Mr Close then returned to the meeting.

The Chair informed all persons present that they had recalled the Solicitor to the Sub-Committee for advice on the wording of their decision.

RESOLVED

That the application for a new premises licence for Red Apple Supermarket Ltd, 7-9 Hannam Court, Leicester, LE1 3FS be GRANTED with the conditions consistent with the operating schedule and an amendment to the times for the supply of alcohol to 10.00am to 11.00pm Monday to Saturday, and 10.00am to 9.00pm on Sunday.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The Sub-Committee found it necessary to reduce the hours for the supply of alcohol to prevent street drinkers being attracted to the premises early in the morning.

They also felt it necessary to reduce the hours for the sale of alcohol on each day of the week in order to help prevent crime and disorder and public nuisance.

10. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10.20am.