



Leicester
City Council

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

Held: TUESDAY, 16 APRIL 2024 at 10:00 am

P R E S E N T:

Councillor Pickering (Chair)

Councillor Cank

Councillor Whittle

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12. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Councillor Pickering was appointed as Chair of the meeting.

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

**15. APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE FOR Y2K
ENTERTAINMENT MUSIC AND ARTS, ABBEY PARK, LEICESTER**

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submitted a report on an application for a new premises licence for Y2K Entertainment Music and Arts, Abbey Park, Leicester.

Mr Fred Matenga, Mr Greg Griffiths and Mr Alex Marapara from Y2K Events were present. Also present was Mr Paul Hardwick, Deputy Licensing Manager, Leicestershire Police, Mr Matthew Robinson, Licensing Team Manager (LCC Enforcement), Mr Tj Mavani, Licensing Team Manager LCC, Mr Alistair Hollis, Noise and Pollution Control. Also present was the Licensing Team Manager (Policy and Applications) and the Legal Advisor to the Sub-Committee.

The Chair led on introductions, highlighted the fire safety and evacuation procedures and outlined the procedure the hearing would follow.

The Licensing Team Manager presented the report and outlined details of the application.

It was noted a representation was received on 26th February 2024 from the Police . The representation related to the prevention of crime and disorder, the prevention of public nuisance, public safety and the protection of children from harm. The representee was concerned that applicant has not acknowledged concerns from the same event at Nelson Mandela Park in 2023 or engaged with responsible authorities and the application was vague and did not refer to specific ways of promoting the licensing objectives.

A second representation was received on 29th February 2024 from the Noise Team The representation related the prevention of public nuisance. The representee was concerned about the lack of noise management plan and the position of the stage. They were also concerned about problems that occurred at the event in 2023.

A third representation was received on 4th March 2024 from the Licensing Enforcement team. The representation related the prevention of public nuisance, prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and prevention of harm to children. The representee was concerned that application lacked details and there were numerous concerns with the event in 2023. A list of proposed condition has been provided to the applicant as a result of a multi-agency discussions.

Mr Hardwick, Leicestershire Police was given the opportunity to outline their representations and answer questions from Members of the Sub-Committee. It was noted that a recent event on a much smaller scale was held by Y2K Events and the report wording was identical. This event had been attended by the ambulance service following an assault. The event had security and the police were not called to the event.

Mr Hollis, Noise and Pollution Control Officer was given the opportunity to outline the details of their representation and answered questions from Members of the Sub-Committee and Officers.

Mr Robinson and Mr Mavani, Licensing Enforcement were given the opportunity to outline the details of their representation and answered questions from Members of the Sub-Committee. It was noted that 62 conditions had been submitted by the Licensing Enforcement Team which were robust and representees were confident it would ensure the event would run smoothly.

Mr Griffiths, Event Manager was given the opportunity to outline the details of their representation and answered questions from Members of the Sub-Committee and Officers.

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

he 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 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:

DECISION

The Sub-Committee's decision is that it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives to GRANT a Premises Licence authorising the requested licensable activities from 10.30am to 9.30 pm (with an event finish time of 10pm) on 24th August 2024 subject to the 62 'conditions consistent with the representation and agreement with LCC Licensing Enforcement Team' detailed in Appendix C of the Licensing Officer's Report.

16. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

With there being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.25am.

