Public Minutes of the Meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee held on 21 October 2022 at 2.00 pm

Present: Councillors Tony Fish and Shane Ralph

Apologies: Councillors Elizabeth Rigby

In attendance: Legal Representative for the Applicant

Ronan McManus, Senior Licensing Officer with Essex Police

Simon Barnes, Licensing Officer with Essex Police

Paul Adams, Licensing Manager Elizabeth Cox, Licensing Officer

Simon Scrowther, Legal Representative

Kenna-Victoria Healey, Senior Democratic Services Officer

Before the start of the Meeting, all present were advised that the meeting was being recorded, however as the items were exempt the recording would not be made available on the Council's website.

Exclusion of The Public And Press

Members of the Sub-Committee agreed that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that they could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 (Information relating to any individual) of Schedule 12A of that Act.

28. Nomination of Chair

Councillor Ralph nominated himself to Chair the Sub-Committee. This was seconded and agreed by Councillor Fish.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Collins Chair the Sub-Committee

29. Items of Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business declared.

30. Declarations of Interests

There were no interests declared.

31. Application for a Summary Review of a Premises Licence – Interim Steps Representation Consideration

The Chair of the Sub-Committee advised all present of the process of the hearing. He then invited the Licensing Officer to introduce the report as outlined within the agenda on pages 5 to 34.

All parties were provided the chance to ask questions of the Licensing Officer. There were none.

The Legal Representative on behalf of the applicant, was the opportunity to present his case. This was followed by questions from Members.

Essex Police were then asked to present their case. All parties were given the opportunity to ask questions of Essex Police.

The Licensing Manager then provided a short summary to the Sub-Committee during which he outlined the decisions available to the Sub-Committee.

Essex Police were asked to present a summary of their case to Members.

The Legal Representative on behalf of the applicant, then gave his case summary to the Sub-Committee.

The Chair sought everyone had said all they wished too; it was agreed they had. The Sub-Committee then adjourned at 3.07pm for deliberation and were accompanied by the Legal Advisor and the Democratic Services Officer.

The meeting reconvened at 3.26pm.

RESOLVED:

That the Sub-Committee agreed for the suspension of the premise license to remain in place.

The meeting finished at 3.28 pm

Approved as a true and correct record

CHAIR

DATE

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