

# LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

## REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMPLIANCE & PUBLIC SAFETY UNIT MANAGER

### Licensing Act 2003

#### 1. SYNOPSIS

To determine an application for the variation of a premises licence in respect of Zecca Lounge, 47-49 High Street, Amble, NE65 0LE.

The applicant has applied to vary the licence to extend the sale of alcohol for one hour until 00:00. Currently the premises is licenced to sell alcohol until 23:00.

One representation has been received from interested parties on the grounds of public nuisance.

#### 2. DETERMINATION OF APPLICATION

Having considered the report, all relevant representations and verbal submissions from those persons entitled to speak at the hearing; the Sub-committee is required to make its determination in respect of the application at the conclusion of the hearing.

In this particular case, the sub Committee **may**:

- 1) Grant the licence subject to conditions consistent with the operating schedule accompanying the application, modified to such extent as the Sub-committee considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. All conditions should be precise and cable of being interpreted and applied by the applicant.

(Conditions may be modified if any of them is altered or omitted or any new condition is added)

and

Any mandatory condition under section 19 of the Act be included in the licence

- 2) Exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates

- 3) To reject the application if it is not possible to promote one or more of the licensing objectives by any other means.

Members are reminded that they may only attach additional conditions:

- In respect of those matters that are subject to the application and in respect of which a relevant representation has been made; and
- that are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

### **3. Appeals**

If the applicant, responsible authority or interested party who may have made a representation is aggrieved by the decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee in respect of:

- the decision to grant the licence or any part of it as set out in the attached document, or
- failure to exclude from the licence any of the licensable activities requested, or
- the decision to impose the specified conditions, or
- failure to modify or attach different or additional conditions appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

They may appeal to the Magistrates' Court within the period of twenty-one days beginning with the day on which they receive formal written notification of the determination.

### **4. CONSULTATION**

In accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 and regulations made there under, the applicant has undertaken the following consultation in respect of the application:

A copy of the application has been sent to all Responsible Authorities as defined in the Licensing Act 2003 Section 13 (4).

A notice setting out details of the application has been displayed at the premises for a minimum period of 28 consecutive days starting on the day after the application was received by the licensing authority.

By publishing a notice in a local newspaper on at least one occasion during the period of 10 working days starting the day after the application was received by the licensing authority.

### **5. REPORT**

#### **Background**

On 5th June 2017 an application was received from Aston William Restaurants Ltd for a variation of a premises licence with regards to Zecca Lounge. A copy of the application is attached as (**Appendix A**). The premises currently operate their licensable activities under Premises Licence NPR/448 (**Appendix B**).

On 27th June 2017 a representation was received from interested parties (**Appendix C**) although this was initially rejected as not being relevant to the licensing objectives (**Appendix D**).

A further representation was received from the interested parties on 2nd July 2017 (**Appendix E**) to which the applicant responded to the comments made with regards to the application although agreements have not been met with the objector. (**Appendix F**).

## 6. Details of Representations

Representations objecting to the application:

Responsible Authorities

Chief Officer of Police None

The Fire Authority None

Body Responsible for Health and Safety Enforcement None

Local Planning Authority None

Body Responsible for Minimising or Preventing the Risk of Pollution of the Environment or of Harm to Human Health None

Northumberland Area Child Protection Committee None

Trading Standards Authority None

Interested Parties Appendix E

Representations in support of the application None

## 7. Licensing Policy

### Premises Licences and Club Premises Certificates

Introduction 3.1 – 3.1.6

Premises Licences - applications Schedule 2

Decision making process Schedule 5

**8. Guidance – Licensing Act 2003 – Section 182**

In considering the application, Elected Members are also directed to have regard to the guidance issued by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003; specifically:

Section 2 - The Licensing objectives	2.1 – 2.31
Section 8 – Applications for premises licences	8.28 – 8.32
	8.66 – 8.69
Section 9 – Determining applications	9.3 – 9.10
	9.41 - 9.43
Section 10 – Conditions attached to premises licences	10.1 – 10.68

**9. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Appendix A Application for premises licence  
 Appendix B Current Premises Licence  
 Appendix C Initial representation from Interested Parties  
 Appendix D Representation rejection letter  
 Appendix E Representation from Interested Parties  
 Appendix F Response to representation from Applicant

The Licensing Act 2003 and secondary legislation there under  
 The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy  
 The Guidance issued by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003

**10. CONTACT OFFICER(S)**

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