

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

LICENSING HEARING

At a meeting of the **Licensing Sub-Committee** held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 2EF at 2:00 pm on Friday 18 January 2019

PRESENT

Councillor I Hutchinson
(in the Chair)

COUNCILLORS

K Parry

T Wilson

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

H Bowers
M Bulman
T Hardy

Democratic Services Officer
Solicitor
Licensing Manager

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

D Adamo
C Mack
S Smith
M Maughan

Applicant
Applicant
Applicants' Legal Representative
Objector

D Grenfell

Licensing Officer

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

RESOLVED that Councillor Ian Hutchinson be elected as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

2. APPLICATION FOR THE VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE IN RESPECT OF THE PHOENIX, 3 CHISHOLM PLACE, HEXHAM, NE46 1QL

Ch.'s Initials.....

The purpose of the hearing was to determine the application for the variation of a Premises Licence in respect of The Phoenix, 3 Chisholm Place, Hexham, NE46 3QL (the premises).

Tasmin Hardy, Licensing Manager introduced the report and informed the Committee that the application was before Members as two representations had been received in objection. One from Northumberland County Council Environmental Protection and another from an interested party.

Since the report had been written, the objection from Environmental Health had been withdrawn as the applicant had agreed the conditions which satisfied the Department's concerns regarding the licensing objectives.

A statement from Northumbria Police submitted by Ms Maughan was circulated to all those present at the meeting.

Additionally, information regarding the extra conditions was also circulated to all those present at the meeting.

The Applicants' Legal Representative presented her evidence and questions were asked from the Committee.

Ms Maughan, objector then presented her evidence. No questions were asked of Ms Maughan.

After both parties had summed up their evidence, the sub-committee considered the officer's report, all written representations and the verbal submission of the applicants and the objector.

Members of the sub committee remained in the meeting to deliberate and make their decision and all others, except the legal advisor, left the room.

When all were asked to return to the meeting the Chair informed the applicants of the sub committee's decision.

RESOLVED that the sub committee have considered all representations before it and had determined to **GRANT** the application.

Reasons

1. The sub-committee has taken into account that one resident made a representation, that there were no representations from any of the responsible bodies save for a representation from Environmental Health who had withdrawn their representation following agreement of conditions with the applicant to mitigate potential noise issues.

2. The sub-committee feel that the additional conditions are sufficient to address noise concerns and will hopefully improve noise outbreak from the premises generally.
3. The sub-committee has considered the licensing objectives and believe that the variation as applied for along with the additional conditions to be imposed do not adversely affect the promotion of the licensing objectives.

Conditions

The conditions to be attached to the licence are the existing conditions on the licence along with 3 additional conditions the applicant has agreed with Environmental Health and which have been submitted to the sub-committee.

CHAIR _____

DATE _____