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Licensing Sub-Committee

Meeting of held on Wednesday, 17 January 2018 at 10.30 am in Council Chamber - Town Hall

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Jane Avis, Simon Brew and Oliver Lewis

PART A

1/18 **Appointment of Chair**

Councillor Brew proposed, and Councillor Lewis seconded, that Councillor Avis be made Chair for the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee **RESOLVED** to appoint Councillor Avis as Chair of the Sub-Committee.

2/18 **Disclosure of Interests**

There were none.

3/18 **Urgent Business (if any)**

There were no items of urgent business.

4/18 **Licensing Act 2003: Review of Premises Licence**

The Licensing Sub-Committee considered the application for a Review of the Premises Licence at Club 34, Surrey Street, CR0 1RJ and the representations by the Police as contained in the report of the Executive Director 'Place'.

The Sub-Committee also considered the additional documentation provided by the Police in support of the application, and the verbal representations made at the hearing by the Police's Counsel.

The Sub-Committee further considered the representations from the premises licence holder contained in the respondent's bundle and the verbal representations made at the hearing by the premises licence holder's counsel.

The Sub-Committee were additionally given notice that an agreed set of conditions had been made between both parties, and the Sub-Committee were provided a copy of the agreement prior to the meeting.

The Sub-Committee considered whether taking any of the following steps were necessary to promote the four licensing objectives:

- To modify the conditions of the licence
- To exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence
- To remove the designated premises supervisor
- To suspend the licence for a period not exceeding 3 months
- To revoke the licence

The Sub-Committee, having reference to the licensing objectives under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Council Licensing Policy **RESOLVED** to modify the conditions of the licence for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

The Sub-Committee was persuaded that the modifications to the conditions would provide adequate assurances towards the promotion of the licensing objectives and were appropriate and proportionate in the circumstances.

The modifications to the licence were as follows:

1. Kevin Bond shall be removed as the Designated Premises Supervisor and shall not act in that capacity at any time.
2. Kevin Bond shall not be involved in the day to day management of licensable activities at the premises at any time.
3. A new experienced DPS shall be employed whose details shall be provided to police for approval in advance of submitting a DPS variation.
4. [To replace existing conditions 3-5 of Annex 2]
A minimum of 2 door supervisors shall be deployed at the venue on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, bank holidays and Sundays before a bank holiday from 2000hrs or from the time that the venue opens for Regulated Entertainment if it is after 2000hrs.
5. A minimum of 4 door supervisors, in which 1 must be a female door supervisor, shall be deployed at the venue on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, bank holidays and Sundays before a bank holiday from 2200hrs or from the time that the venue opens for Regulated Entertainment if it is after 2200hrs
6. Additional door supervisors (one of which must be a female door supervisor) shall be deployed as required on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, bank holidays and Sundays before a bank holiday so that there is at least 1 door supervisor to 50 customers.

[To replace existing condition 11 of Annex 2]

7. From 2000hrs on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, bank holidays and Sundays before a bank holiday, all drinking vessels, glasses and bottles provided to customers at the premises shall be polycarbonate.
8. No members of the public are to be admitted or re-admitted to the premises after 2000hrs unless they have undergone a search procedure including the use of metal detecting arch.

[To replace existing conditions 13 of Annex 2]
9. Ensure that no members of the public are admitted to the premises after 01:00hrs save for the re-admission of customers who have left the premises temporarily to smoke.
10. Subject to any fire risk assessment, the door at the junction of Surrey Street and Bell Hill will not be used as a fire escape or final exit door and will be kept locked shut and alarmed.

[To replace existing conditions 28 of Annex 2]
11. An identification scanning device capable of recording and checking identity documents must be in use at the premises from 2100hrs on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, bank holiday and Sundays before a Bank Holiday (and on other occasions the use of the Id Scanner is to be risk assessed). All customers must have their ID scanned as a condition of entry. IDs must be valid and in date. The following are acceptable forms of identification:
 - a. Passports
 - b. National identity cards
 - c. Driving licences
 - d. Military ID cards
 - e. Cards bearing the PASS hologram
12. From 22:00 on a Thursday, Friday and Saturday the premises licence holder shall designate a member of staff for the purposes of customer welfare.
13. Only the DPS may confirm bookings of the venue for externally promoted events.
14. The sale of alcohol shall terminate at 02:30hrs.
15. The provision of late night refreshment and regulated entertainment shall terminate at 03:00hrs.
16. The premises shall close to the public at 03.00hrs.

As required under the Licensing Act 2003, as amended, the Sub-Committee considered the decision taken during the summary review held on 22

December 2017. Following deliberations and consideration of the facts of the application, it was agreed that the summary review decision suspending the premises licence from 05:00 on 2nd January 2018 be removed and the modifications agreed take effect from 17 January 2018.

5/18 **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

Not required.

The meeting ended at 12.39 pm

Signed:

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