

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL
LICENSING (ACTIVITIES) SUB-COMMITTEE

12 September 2024

PRESENT: - Councillors J Matthews, T Mitchell and H Rowson

The meeting was held in the Conference Room, Church Square House, Scunthorpe.

- 2111 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN - Resolved-** That Councillor T Mitchell be and he was hereby appointed chairman for the meeting.
- 2112 **DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, PERSONAL OR PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS, AND SIGNIFICANT CONTACT WITH APPLICANTS, OBJECTORS OR THIRD PARTIES (LOBBYING), IF ANY** - There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, personal or personal and prejudicial interests, or significant contact with applicants, objectors or third parties (lobbying).
- 2113 **ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH MUST BE SPECIFIED -** There was no urgent business for consideration at the meeting.
- 2114 **THE PUBLIC ARE LIKELY TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION FOLLOWING ITEM ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT INVOLVES THE LIKELY DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 7 OF PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - Resolved** - That the public be excluded from the meeting for consideration of the following item (Minute 2115 refers) on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).
- 2115 **APPLICATION FOR THE REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER SECTION 53A OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 (PREMISES ASSOCIATED WITH SERIOUS CRIME OR DISORDER)** - The Director: Communities submitted a report that advised of an application for the review of a premises licence under Section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003.

Details of the review application were outlined in the report, together with the interim steps that were available to the committee.

The Director in their report reminded the sub-committee that the options available having considered all the relevant information were:

- To modify the conditions of the licence
- To exclude the sale of alcohol by retail from the scope of the licence
- To remove the designated premises supervisor from the licence
- To suspend the licence for a period not exceeding three months

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Representatives of Humberside Police attended the meeting, made representations and responded to questions.

Following the summary of Humberside Police case, the meeting was adjourned for deliberation by members, with the sub-committee decision to be communicated to all parties in writing, stating the following decision –

Resolved - That after consideration of the representations made by Humberside Police at the hearing, the Sub-Committee unanimously agreed to suspend the premises licence with immediate effect, as an interim step. This interim step was to ensure compliance with the licensing objectives, Prevention of Crime and Disorder and Public Safety. The Sub-Committee were gravely concerned with the severity of the incident that had recently occurred at the Premises. In particular, that employees who were responsible for the management of the premises and ensuring compliance with the conditions of the Premises Licence and the Licensing Objectives were involved in the incident and had been charged with serious violent offences.

The Sub-Committee heard that investigations by Humberside Police were ongoing, with further arrests likely. Consequently, the likelihood of further incidents was high were the premises to continue to sell alcohol in the short term.

In accordance with the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003, the Premises Licence Holder has the right to make representations against this interim step taken by the Sub-Committee, should they wish to do so.