# Licensing (Licensing and Gambling) Sub-Committee

# Thursday, 27th March, 2014 at 6.00 pm PLEASE NOTE TIME OF MEETING

Council Chamber - Civic Centre

This meeting is open to the public **Members** 

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## **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

#### **Terms of Reference**

The Sub-Committee deals with licences for which the Council is responsible under the Licensing Act, 2003 and Gambling Act 2005, including:-

- Personal licences for the sale of liquor, Licensing Act 2003;
- Premises licences, various permits, variations and reviews (Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005);
- Club certificates, variations and reviews, Licensing Act 2003;
- Registration and deregistration of designated premises supervisors, Licensing Act 2003;
- Determination of police objections to temporary event notices, Licensing Act 2003

#### **Relevant Representations**

Those who have made relevant representations may address the meeting about the matter in which they have an interest.

When dealing with Licensing Act matters the Sub-Committee can only take into account the following statutory Licensing Objectives:-

- prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- prevention of public nuisance
- protection of children from harm

Likewise, when dealing with Gambling Act matters the Sub Committee can only take into account the statutory Licensing Objectives below:-

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime
- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way, and
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling

#### **Smoking policy**

The Council operates a no-smoking policy in all civic buildings.

#### **Southampton City Council's Priorities:**

- Economic: Promoting Southampton and attracting investment; raising ambitions and improving outcomes for children and young people.
- Social: Improving health and keeping people safe; helping individuals and communities to work together and help themselves.
- **Environmental**: Encouraging new house building and improving existing homes; making the city more attractive and sustainable.
- One Council: Developing an engaged, skilled and motivated workforce; implementing better ways of working to manage reduced budgets and increased demand.

#### Fire Procedure -

In the event of a fire or other emergency a continuous alarm will sound and you will be advised by Council officers what action to take.

#### Access -

Access is available for disabled people. Please contact the Democratic Support Officer who will help to make any necessary arrangements.

#### Mobile Telephones -

Please turn off your mobile telephone whilst in the meeting.

## Dates of Potential Meetings Municipal Year 2013/14

2013	5 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER
13 <sup>th</sup> JUNE	19 <sup>™</sup> DECEMBER
27 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	2014
11 <sup>™</sup> JULY	16 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY
25 <sup>™</sup> JULY	30 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY
8 <sup>™</sup> AUGUST	13 <sup>™</sup> FEBRUARY
22 <sup>ND</sup> AUGUST	27 <sup>™</sup> FEBRUARY
5 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	13 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH
19 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	27 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH
3 <sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER	10 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL
17 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	24 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL
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21 <sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER	15 <sup>TH</sup> MAY

# **CONDUCT OF MEETING**

#### **Terms of Reference**

#### Business to be discussed

The terms of reference are contained in the Council's Constitution.

Only those items listed on the attached agenda may be considered at this meeting.

#### **Rules of Procedure**

#### Quorum 3

The meeting is governed by the Council Procedure Rules as set out in Part 4 of the Constitution and Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

The minimum number of appointed Members required to be in attendance to hold the meeting is 3.

## **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Members are required to disclose, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, **both** the existence **and** nature of any "Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" or "Other Interest" they may have in relation to matters for consideration on this Agenda.

## **DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

A Member must regard himself or herself as having a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter that they or their spouse, partner, a person they are living with as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they were a civil partner in relation to:

- (i) Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
- (ii) Sponsorship:

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Southampton City Council) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expense incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

- (iii) Any contract which is made between you / your spouse etc (or a body in which the you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest) and Southampton City Council under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed, and which has not been fully discharged.
- (iv) Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of Southampton.
- (v) Any license (held alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of Southampton for a month or longer.
- (vi) Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) the landlord is Southampton City Council and the tenant is a body in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interests.
- (vii) Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of Southampton, and either:
  - a) the total nominal value fo the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body, or
  - b) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest that exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

#### Other Interests

A Member must regard himself or herself as having an, 'Other Interest' in any membership of, or occupation of a position of general control or management in:

Any body to which they have been appointed or nominated by Southampton City Council

Any public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature

Any body directed to charitable purposes

Any body whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy

# **Principles of Decision Making**

All decisions of the Council will be made in accordance with the following principles:-

- proportionality (i.e. the action must be proportionate to the desired outcome);
- due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers;
- respect for human rights;
- a presumption in favour of openness, accountability and transparency;
- setting out what options have been considered;
- setting out reasons for the decision; and
- clarity of aims and desired outcomes.

In exercising discretion, the decision maker must:

- understand the law that regulates the decision making power and gives effect to it.
   The decision-maker must direct itself properly in law;
- take into account all relevant matters (those matters which the law requires the authority as a matter of legal obligation to take into account);
- leave out of account irrelevant considerations;
- act for a proper purpose, exercising its powers for the public good;
- not reach a decision which no authority acting reasonably could reach, (also known as the "rationality" or "taking leave of your senses" principle);
- comply with the rule that local government finance is to be conducted on an annual basis. Save to the extent authorised by Parliament, 'live now, pay later' and forward funding are unlawful; and
- act with procedural propriety in accordance with the rules of fairness.

# **AGENDA**

Agendas and papers are available via the Council's website.

# 1 **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

To appoint a Chair for the purposes of this meeting.

# 2 APOLOGIES AND CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY)

To note any changes in the membership of the Sub-Committee made in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

# 3 <u>DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS</u>

In accordance with the Localism Act 2011, and the Council's Code of Conduct, Members to disclose any personal or pecuniary interests in any matter included on the agenda for this meeting.

NOTE: Members are reminded that, where applicable, they must complete the appropriate form recording details of any such interests and hand it to the Democratic Support Officer.

# 4 STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR

# 5 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC - LEGAL ADVICE

At a predetermined point during the consideration of all items the Sub-Committee may move into private session in order to receive legal advice when determining issues. The parties to the hearing, press and the public, unless otherwise excluded by the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, will be invited to return immediately following that private session at which time the matter will be determined and the decision of the Sub-Committee will be announced.

# 6 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC - CONFIDENTIAL PAPERS

Chair to move that the Sub-Committee consider whether the press and public be excluded from the hearing in respect of the following item in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

The report and 4 appendices of the following item include details and information that would ordinarily be classed as exempt from publication in accordance with the Council's Constitution and specifically Categories 1 and 2 of paragraph 10.4 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules due to the identification of individuals and sensitive details of an ongoing police investigation. Accordingly the report and 4 appendices have not been published at this stage. In accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005 members shall be able to determine whether to exclude the public from all or any part of the hearing after consideration of the public interest.

# 7 <u>APPLICATION FOR SUMMARY REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE - RHINO, WATERLOO TERRACE, SOUTHAMPTON SO15 9BA</u>

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, detailing an application for a summary review of the premises licence in respect of Rhino, Waterloo Terrace, Southampton SO15 9BA, the report and 4 appendices are marked as confidential, attached.

Following the Licensing (Licensing & Gambling) Sub-Committee Meeting on 27 March 2014 the Sub-Committee was satisfied that it was in the public interest that the report and appendices 2, 3 and 4 be published.

Note: this information was previously considered confidential and has not been published until after consideration of the item, in line with the advertised exclusion of press and public on the Agenda.

Wednesday, 19 March 2014

HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES