Licensing (Licensing and Gambling) Sub-Committee

Thursday, 29th May, 2014 at 2.00 pm

PLEASE NOTE TIME OF MEETING

Committee Room 1, 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 DECEMBER
13 JUNE	19 DECEMBER
27 JUNE	2014
11 JULY	16 JANUARY
25 JULY	30 JANUARY
8 AUGUST	13 FEBRUARY
22 AUGUST	27 FEBRUARY
5 SEPTEMBER	13 MARCH
19 SEPTEMBER	27 MARCH
3 OCTOBER	10 APRIL
17 OCTOBER	24 APRIL
7 NOVEMBER	8 MAY
21 NOVEMBER	15 MAY
	29 MAY

CONDUCT OF MEETING

Terms of Reference

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

Rules of Procedure

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.

Business to be discussed

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

Quorum 3

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 of 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 DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS

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 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meetings held on 24 and 29 April 2014 and to deal with any matters arising, attached.

6 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

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.

7 <u>APPLICATION FOR A REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE - PREMIER</u> (COMMERCIAL EXPRESS) 89 COMMERCIAL ROAD, SOUTHAMPTON SO15 1GH

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, detailing an application for a review of the premises licence in respect of Premier (Commercial Express) 89 Commercial Road, Southampton SO15 1GH, attached.