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Reference: 2014/02049/02SPEN Hearing: 13th February 2014

**Application for Personal Licence** 

Applicant's Mr. Stephen Peter Dixon Application Date: 2nd January 2014

Name:

Applicant's 77 Leaside Way Application 13th January 2014

Address: Southampton Received Date:

SO16 3EP

Application Valid 14th January 2014

Date:

### Representations From Responsible Authorities

Responsible Authority	Satisfactory?	Comments
Police - Licensing	No	Police objection

## Legal Implications

- The Licensing Act 2003 specifically restricts the grounds on which the Council, as Licensing Authority, may refuse an application for a new personal licence.
   Only the Police may object to the grant on crime prevention grounds by serving an objection notice following notification of any unspent relevant offence or a foreign offence.
- 2. In considering an application, the committee must apply the test contained in section 120(7) of the Licensing Act 2003, which requires that, having regard to the notice of objection from the police, the licensing authority must either:
  - "(i) reject the application if it considers it necessary for the promotion of the crime prevention objective to do so, and
  - (ii) grant the application in any other case."
- 3. The committee should also take into account of the statutory guidance issued by the Home Office under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, particularly paragraph 4.9:

"The Secretary of State recommends that, where the police have issued an objection notice, refusal of the application should be the normal course unless there are, in the opinion of the licensing authority, exceptional and compelling circumstances which justify granting the application. For example, certain offences can never become spent. However, where an applicant is able to demonstrate that the offence in question took place so long ago and that he or

she no longer has any propensity to re-offend, a licensing authority may consider that the individual circumstances of the case are so exceptional and compelling and any risk to the community so diminished that it is right to grant the application."

However, it is a matter for the committee to decide what weight to give the guidance in its determination of the application.

- 4. An applicant, whose application has been refused, may appeal against the decision to the Magistrates' Court as may the Police should the application be granted despite their objection notice.
- In considering this application the committee will sit in a quasi-judicial capacity and is thus obliged to consider applications in accordance with both the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, and amending secondary legislation and the rules of natural justice. The practical effect of this is that the committee must make its decision based on evidence submitted in accordance with the legislation and give adequate reasons for reaching its decision.

The committee must also have regard to:-

- 6. Crime and Disorder Act 1998
  Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 places the Council under a
  duty to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the
  exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to
  prevent, crime and disorder in its area.
- 7. Human Rights Act 1998

  The Act requires UK legislation to be interpreted in a manner consistent with the European Convention on Human Rights. It is unlawful for the Council to act in a way that is incompatible (or fail to act in a way that is compatible) with the rights protected by the Act. Any action undertaken by the Council that could have an effect upon another person's Human Rights must be taken having regard to the principle of Proportionality the need to balance the rights of the individual with the rights of the community as a whole. Any action taken by the Council which affect another's rights must be no more onerous than is necessary in a democratic society. The matter set out in this report must be considered in light of the above obligations.

#### Further information

- 8. The offence of which the applicant was convicted is a relevant offence prescribed by section 113 of the Licensing Act 2003 and set out in paragraph 14 of schedule 4 to the Act.
- 9. The applicant has declared this conviction in the disclosure of conviction and declaration which accompanied the application and it appears in the supplied certificate of conviction from Disclosure Scotland.
- Hampshire Constabulary objects to the grant of a personal licence on the grounds that granting the licence would undermine the crime prevention objective.
- 11. The applicant has also provided evidence of having obtained the required National Certificate for Personal Licence Holders qualification.

- 12. The applicant has also provided the required endorsed photograph.
- 13. The documents and evidence referred to above are prerequisites for an application to be considered, as prescribed by regulation 7 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Personal Licences) Regulations 2005.
- 14. Copies of the following documents appear as an appendix to this report:
  - Application for a personal licence
  - National certificate for personal licence holder's certificates
- 15. Copies of the following documents appear as a confidential appendix to this report:
  - Applicant's disclosure of convictions and declaration
  - Basic disclosure certificate
  - Objection to grant of personal licence by Hampshire Constabulary

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### Application for a personal licence



# **Licensing Act 2003**

### **Application For A Personal Licence**

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Tim Hulme Chief Executive







