
LICENSING (LICENSING AND GAMBLING) SUB-COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 November 2011

Present: Councillors Cunio, B Harris and Parnell

Apologies:

51. **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

RESOLVED that Councillor Parnell be appointed Chair for the purposes of this meeting.

52. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th October and 20th October 2011 be signed as a correct record. (Copy of the minutes circulated with the agenda and appended to the signed minutes).

53. **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED that in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005 that the press and public be excluded at a predetermined point whilst the Sub-Committee reach its decisions.

54. **APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE - CO-OP, 125 FOUNDRY LANE, SOUTHAMPTON, HAMPSHIRE, SO15 3GF**

The hearing was delayed for ten minutes to allow for residents to attend. The Sub-Committee then determined to hear the application despite the non-attendance of those objecting.

The Sub-Committee considered the application for a premises licence in respect of Co-op, 125 Foundry Lane, Southampton, SO1 3GF. (Copy of the report circulated with the agenda and appended to signed minutes).

Mr Lewis, Manager, Co-op and Mr Wallsgrove (Solicitor) were present and with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

The Sub-Committee considered the decision in confidential session in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

RESOLVED that the application for a premises licence be granted, subject to:-

- (i) the agreed additional conditions as set out in the report ; and
- (ii) the agreed reduction of trading hours from 23h00 to 22h00.

REASONS

The Sub-Committee considered very carefully the application for a premises licence at the Co-op and gave due regard to the Licensing Act 2003, the Licensing Objectives, statutory guidance, the adopted statement of Licensing Policy, Human Rights legislation and all the evidence submitted, both written and given orally today.

The Sub-Committee noted that the premises licence holder had co-operated with the police and that all the conditions suggested by the police had been agreed. In addition, the reduction of hours from 23h00 to 22h00 had also been agreed. The agreement reached, led to no formal representation from Hampshire Constabulary or any other responsible authority.

The Sub-Committee considered very carefully the evidence of the residents with regards to the potential for nuisance and crime and disorder and was satisfied that in all the circumstances, the issues and concerns raised should be satisfactorily addressed by the policies and practices of the company.

It was noted that the existing premises licence for a public house at the premises which had generated the residents' concerns was a different premises to that now proposed, given that alcohol would not be consumed on the premises. The concerns of residents had also been addressed by the provision of comprehensive CCTV systems covering both internal and external areas which would be visible to staff on duty. The Sub-Committee was also reassured by the level and extent of training for those making alcohol sales at the premises as well as the Challenge 25 policy to be adopted.

Residents could be reassured by the review process which would enable any problems/issues that might arise in the future to be addressed.