

LICENSING PANEL

11 JULY 2005

Chair: * Councillor Knowles

Councillors: * Mrs Bath * Idaikkadar

* Denotes Member present

PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS - NIL**PART II - MINUTES**44. **Appointment of Chair:**

RESOLVED: That Councillor Knowles be appointed Chair of the Panel for the purposes of this meeting.

45. **Attendance by Reserve Members:**

RESOLVED: To note that no Reserve Members were currently appointed to this Panel.

46. **Declarations of Interest:**

RESOLVED: To note that the following interest was declared:

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Nature of Interest</u>
12. Application for Variation of Hours at Horseshoe Bar, Eastcote Lane, South Harrow during Transitional Period	Councillor Idaikkadar	The Member declared a personal interest in that his parents lived a short distance from the premises. He emphasised that, as they did not visit or have any views on the premises, this would in no way affect his decision. Accordingly, he remained in the room and took part in the discussion and decision-making on this item.

47. **Arrangement of Agenda:**

RESOLVED: That all items be considered with the press and public present.

48. **Minutes:**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting that commenced on 11 May and was adjourned to 22 June 2005 be deferred until printed in the next Council Bound Minute Volume.

49. **Public Questions, Petitions and Deputations:**

RESOLVED: To note that no public questions were put, or petitions or deputations received at this meeting under the provisions of Committee Procedure Rules 18, 15 or 16 respectively.

50. **Application for Variation of Hours at Harrow Town Sports Club, Rayners Lane during Transitional Period:**

The Panel received a report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer, which detailed an application for a conversion and simultaneous variation to a Club Registration licence for the Harrow Town Sports Club, Rayners Lane.

The application was made by the Club Secretary, Mr Tony Whitcombe, for a Club Premises Certificate (CPC), which sought the supply and sale of alcohol together with recorded music. The premises were situated on Rayners Lane within a sports ground complex, in a predominantly commercial area.

Police Sergeant Carl Davis, of the Metropolitan Police, had made representations citing all four of the Council's four Licensing Objectives, namely, the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm. In his report, he stated his dissatisfaction with the lack of sufficient

precautions put in place in order to promote the four objectives. Sergeant Carl Davis suggested that the Panel consider the following conditions: installation of CCTV, no drinks promotions and participation in the Pubwatch scheme. He also requested that there be a condition on the maximum capacity of members in the club to avoid overcrowding, and that a notice be erected asking members to leave the premises quietly. He was aware that his suggestion of CCTV was not realistic in terms of the financial viability and was prepared to forego this recommendation under the circumstances.

The Environmental Protection Officer made a representation under the prevention of public nuisance, one of the Council's four Licensing Objectives. She was concerned that the application had not detailed precautions in order to prevent public nuisance and noise from the premises. In addition, the closing time was not clearly stated in the schedule, so the impact on the local residents could not be properly assessed.

In response to some of the issues raised, the Club Secretary advised that CCTV was a measure that, funds permitting would be installed in the near future. In addition, he agreed that there would be no drinks promotions. He also confirmed that all managers were police checked and that children could only enter the premises with a club member. It was also confirmed that the fire certificate already stated a maximum capacity of eighty persons at any one time.

Both the Environmental Protection Officer and the Metropolitan Police representative indicated their satisfaction with the Club Secretary's response.

RESOLVED: That the variation to the licence for Harrow Town Sports Club, Rayners Lane, Harrow, Middx, HA2 9TY be granted as per the agenda with the following additional conditions:-

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS:

1. Capacity not to exceed 80 persons at any one time.
2. Notice to be erected near exit door encouraging club members to respect the residential area and leave the premises quietly.
3. No drinks promotions to be held.

REASONS: The above conditions were imposed in support of the Council's four Licensing Objectives.

[Note: The Chair asked the applicant, the Club Secretary, if he consented to the conditions listed above. Responding, he confirmed that he agreed to the conditions].

51. **Application for Variation of Hours at Horseshoe Bar, Eastcote Lane, South Harrow during Transitional Period:**

The Panel received a report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer, which detailed an application for a conversion and simultaneous variation to a Justices' Liquor licence for the Horseshoe Bar, Eastcote Lane, South Harrow.

The application had been referred to the Panel as there were unresolved representations from local residents and concerns from the Environmental Protection Team, citing the potential increase in noise and nuisance.

The premises, which benefitted from a garden, were located on Eastcote Lane, at the junction with Kings Road in South Harrow. There was off-street parking on the nearby roads, as there was no facility on site for patrons to park their cars.

The licensee, Mr Leo Mullane supported his application by stating that since he had managed the bar, there had been no history of complaints from either the police or residents. Furthermore, most of the patrons were local residents. The licensee felt that local residents would not have made the representations if the Roxbourne Ward Members had not distributed the flyer objecting to the application to residents, He added that if the residents had felt strongly about the application they would have attended the hearing to state their objections.

The Environmental Protection officer advised that the concerns she had raised had all been addressed in the licensee's letter to the Police namely;-

- The designated supervisor to encourage patrons to leave the premises quietly
- Control of noise escaping from the premises
- A notice on the door asking patrons to leave quietly

RESOLVED: That the variation to the public entertainments licence for the Horseshoe Bar, 326 Eastcote Lane, South Harrow, Middlesex, HA2 9AJ, be granted as per the agenda with the following additional conditions:-

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS:

1. The premises be provided with CCTV and operated in good working condition with a 31-day bank of tapes.
2. Air conditioning to be kept in good working order and to be switched on during the hours the premises were open, to enable doors and windows to be kept shut thereby minimising noise leakage.
3. Notice to be erected near exit door encouraging patrons to respect the residential area and leave the premises quietly.

REASONS: The above conditions are imposed in support of the Council's 4 Licensing Objectives.

[Note: The Chair asked the applicant, the licensee, if he consented to the conditions listed above. Responding, he confirmed that he agreed].

(See also Minute 46)

52. **Extension of Time and Termination of the Meeting:**
In accordance with the provisions of Committee Procedure Rule 14.2 (ii) (b) (Part 4B of the Constitution), it was

RESOLVED: At 10.00 pm to continue until 10.25 pm.

(Note: The meeting having commenced at 7.30 pm, closed at 10.25 pm)

(Signed) COUNCILLOR ADRIAN KNOWLES
Chair