

Meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee 1

Tuesday 28th September, 2021 at 10.30am

In the Council Chamber at the Council House, Priory Road, Dudley

Agenda - Public Session

(Meeting open to the public and press)

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To report the appointment of any substitute Members for this meeting of the Sub-Committee.
3. To receive any declarations of interest under the Members' Code of Conduct.

The following applications are to be considered under the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003:-

4. Application to Vary a Premises Licence - Kingsbridge Bar, 83a-85a Bridgenorth Road, Wollaston, Stourbridge (Pages 1 - 11)
5. To consider any questions from Members to the Chair where two clear days notice has been given to the Monitoring Officer (Council Procedure Rule 11.8).



Chief Executive

Dated: 16th September, 2021

Distribution:

Councillor E Taylor (Chair)
Councillors P Miller and K Razzaq



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Covid-19 Secure Working

Hands

- Hand sanitiser and antibacterial wipes are available at various locations in the Council House. Please ensure you sanitise your hands when arriving and leaving the building. Hand washing facilities are also available on site.

Face

- All persons entering or working in the Council House must wear face masks when moving around the building. Please remember to bring and use your own face masks. Face masks may be safely removed when you are seated in the meeting.

Space

- Seating in the meeting rooms is arranged to allow for safe distancing. You must only use the designated seating. Remember to maintain safe distancing at all times during your visit.
- Seating in the public gallery is currently restricted and will be allocated on a 'first come' basis.
- All persons must observe the signage in place throughout the Council House to ensure safety.

If you are unwell

- Do not attend the Council House if you feel unwell; if you have tested positive for Covid-19; if you are self-isolating or if you suspect that you are symptomatic.
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Toilets

- Toilet facilities are available on site and are subject to the Covid-19 secure measures that are in place. All the toilets have hand washing facilities.

No smoking

- There is no smoking on the Council House premises in line with national legislation. It is an offence to smoke in or on the premises. You cannot use e-cigarettes and/or similar vaping devices.

In Case of Emergency

- In the event of the alarms sounding, please leave the building by the nearest exit. There are Officers who will assist you in the event of this happening, please follow their instructions.

Submitting Apologies for Absence

- Elected Members can submit apologies by contacting Democratic Services (see our contact details below). Members wishing to appoint a substitute should notify Democratic Services as soon as possible in advance of the meeting. Any substitute Members must be eligible to serve on the meeting in question (for example, he/she must have received the training required by the Council).

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General

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If you need advice or assistance

- If you (or anyone you know) requires assistance to access the venue, or if you have any other queries, please contact Democratic Services - Telephone 01384 815238 or E-mail Democratic.Services@dudley.gov.uk

Licensing Sub-Committee Procedure

- Chair to welcome parties and introduce Members and Officers
- Establish who the parties are and any representatives
- Clarification of any points of fact and indicate what, if any, evidence may be submitted and read
- Presenting Officer of the Local Authority or Solicitor to present the report to the Sub-Committee
- Relevant Authority to present their evidence and the Chair will then ask the following if any have any questions for the Officer:-
 - Objectors/or their representative
 - Applicant or representative
 - Sub-Committee Members and Legal Advisor
- Objectors or their representative/nominated person to present his/her case (including Ward Members)
 - Any witnesses to be called
 - Each witness to be questioned through the Chair in the following order:-
 - Representative of objectors (if present), if no representative, the objectors
- The Chair will then ask the following if they have any questions for the representative or the objectors:-
 - Presenting Officer Local Authority (or Solicitor)
 - Applicant or Representative
 - Sub-Committee Members and Legal Advisor
- Applicant or representative to introduce his or her case
 - Any witnesses for the applicant to be called
 - Each witness to be questioned through the Chair in the following order:-
 - Representative of Applicant (if present)
 - Presenting Officer Local Authority/Solicitor
 - Relevant Authority
 - Objector or Representative
 - Sub-Committee Members and Legal Advisor
- Presenting Officer Local Authority/Solicitor to sum up.
- Objectors/Representative to sum up.

- Applicant or Representative to sum up (must make final comments)
- Legal Advisor indicates to parties details of legal advice to be given to Sub-Committee
- Parties asked if they have had a fair hearing
- All parties, together with any members of the public to withdraw
- Sub-Committee to make their decision
- All parties invited to return and the Chair reads out the decision and the reasons for the decision.