

Minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee 4

Tuesday 29th July, 2014 at 10.25 am
in the Council Chamber, The Council House, Dudley

Present:-

Councillor M Roberts (Chair)
Councillors K Finch and H Turner

Officers:-

R Clark (Legal Advisor), L Rouse (Licensing Clerk) and K Taylor (Democratic Services Officer) – All Directorate of Corporate Resources.

5 Apology for Absence

An apology for absence from the meeting was received on behalf of Councillor D Hemingsley.

6 Appointment of Substitute Member

It was reported that Councillor K Finch had been appointed as a substitute Member for Councillor D Hemingsley for this meeting of the Sub-Committee only.

7 Declarations of Interest

No Member made a declaration of interest in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

8 Minutes

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 24th June, 2014, be approved as a correct record and signed.

9 Application for Review of Premises Licence – The Lake Discount Stores, 18 Lake Street, Lower Gornal, Dudley

A report of the Director of Corporate Resources was submitted on a review of the premises licence in respect of The Lake Discount Stores, 18 Lake Street, Lower Gornal, Dudley.

Mr S Bahia, Premises Licence Holder, was in attendance at the meeting.

Also in attendance were C King, Principal Trading Standards Officer and G Wintrip, Age Restricted Products Officer, both from the Directorate of the Urban Environment; D McNulty, Office of Public Health; and WPC A Baldwin, PC K Turley, and Sergeant Crookshank from West Midlands Police.

Following introductions, Mr Bahia reported that Mrs K Bahia, joint Premises Licence Holder, was not in attendance at the meeting due to a recent bereavement, and confirmed that he had spoken to Trading Standards requesting an adjournment as a legal representative would not be present at the hearing.

Mr Bahia informed the Sub-Committee that he had contacted the Federation of Small Businesses, however, due to delays in the processing of the application, there was insufficient time for a Solicitor to be appointed and represent him.

The parties then withdrew from the meeting in order to enable the Sub-Committee to consider the question of an adjournment.

The Sub-Committee having made their decision invited the parties to return and the Chair then outlined the decision.

Resolved

That consideration of the application made for the review of the premises licence in respect of Lake Discount Stores, 18 Lake Street, Lower Gornal, Dudley be adjourned to a re-convened meeting to be held on Tuesday 2nd September, 2014 with no further deferments allowed.

The meeting ended at 11.00am.

CHAIR