
Meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee 3 – 24th October 2023

Report of the Interim Director of Environment Directorate

Application for Review of a Premises Licence
Broadway Service Station, 154 South Road, Stourbridge, DY8 3RW.

Purpose

1. To consider the application for the review of the premises licence in respect of Broadway Service Station, 154 South Road, Stourbridge.

Recommendation

2. That the Sub-Committee determine the application for the review of the premises licence received from the Head of Environmental Health and Trading Standards in respect of the premises known as Broadway Service Station.

Background

3. The Broadway Service Station, was first issued with a premises licence on the 1st July 2010, the current premises licence is in the name of Mr Piara Singh Virdee. The premises licence is issued for the following days and times:

Supply of Alcohol

Monday to Sunday 08.00 until 22.00

Hours Open to the Public

Monday to Sunday 06.00 until 22.00

4. On the 30th August 2023, an application for the review of the premises licence was received from the Head of Environmental Health and Trading Standards, the grounds for the review relate to the prevention of crime and disorder and the protection of children from harm. A copy of that application has been forwarded to the Premises Licence Holder, Relevant Authorities, and Interested Parties in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 and is attached to this report as Appendix 1.
5. The Council advertised the application for review of the premises licence in accordance with Licensing Regulation SI, 2005, No. 42, Section 38.
6. Representations in support of the application for review have been received from the West Midlands Police and Safeguarding.
7. Copies of all representations have been forwarded to the Premises Licence Holder and Interested Parties and are attached to this report as Appendix 2.
8. These premises have appeared before the committee previously details of which are set out below:

On the 18th April 2023, Mr Saman Haroon Mehmud made application for the transfer of the premises licence and vary of the DPS.

On the 27th April 2023, representations were received from the West Midlands Police.

This matter was due to be considered by the Licensing Sub Committee on 1st June 2023 however at the request of the applicants solicitor the matter was deferred to a future meeting in order for the applicants solicitor to prepare representations on behalf of their client.

The matter was considered by the Committee on the 4th July 2023 the Committee resolved that the application be refused. A copy of the minutes from that meeting are attached to this report as Appendix 3.

Finance

9. There are no financial implications.

Law

10. The law relating to the review of licences is governed by the Licensing Act, 2003 Section 52(1).

52(1) This section applies where:-

- a) The relevant licensing authority receives an application made in accordance with Section 51.
- b) the applicant has complied with any requirement imposed on him under subsection (3)(a) or (d) of that section, and
- c) the authority has complied with any requirement imposed on it under subsection (3)(b) or (d) of that section

Before determining the application, the authority must hold a hearing to consider it and any relevant representations.

11. The authority must, having regard to the application and any relevant representations, take such of the steps mentioned in subsection (4) (if any) as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives.
12. The steps are -
- a) to modify the conditions of the licence;
 - b) to exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence;
 - c) to remove the designated premises supervisor;
 - d) to suspend the licence for a period not exceeding three months;
 - e) to revoke the licence;

and for this purpose the conditions of the licence are modified if any of them is altered or omitted or any new condition is added.

13. Subsection (3) is subject to sections 19,20 and 21 (requirement to include certain conditions in premises licences).
14. Where the authority takes a step mentioned in subsection (4) (a) or (b) it may provide that the modification or exclusion is to have effect for only such period (not exceeding three months) as it may specify.
15. In this section “relevant representations” means representations which -
 - a) are relevant to one or more of the licensing objectives, and
 - b) meet the requirements of subsection (8).
16. The requirements are -
 - a) that the representations are made –
 - i) by the holder of the premises licence, a responsible authority or an interested party, and
 - ii) within the period prescribed under section 51(3)(c)
 - b) that they have not been withdrawn, and
 - c) if they are made by an interested party (who is not also a responsible authority), that they are not, in the opinion of the relevant licensing authority, frivolous or vexatious.
17. Where the relevant licensing authority determines that any representations are frivolous or vexatious, it must notify the person who made them of the reasons for that determination.
18. Where a licensing authority determines an application for review under this section it must notify the determination and its reasons for making it to -

- a) the holder of the licence
 - b) the applicant
 - c) any person who made relevant representations, and
 - d) the chief officer of police for the police area (or each police area) in which the premises are situated.
19. A determination under this section does not have effect -
- a) until the end of the period given for appealing against the decision, or
 - b) if the decision is appealed against, until the appeal is disposed of
20. Pursuant to schedule 5 part 1, section 8(2)
- An appeal may be made against the decision of the committee by –
- a) the applicant for the review
 - b) the holder of the premises licence or
 - c) any other person who made relevant representations in relation to the application for review.

Risk Management

21. There are no material risk implications.

Equality Impact

22. This report takes into account the Council's policy on equal opportunities.
23. The licensing of premises and individuals will impact on children and young people through their attendance at licensed premises.

24. There has been no consultation or involvement of children and young people in developing these proposals.

Human Resources/Organisational Development

25. There are no organisational development/transformation implications.

Commercial/Procurement

26. There are no commercial/procurement implications.

Environment/Climate Change

27. There are no Environment/Climate Change implications.

Council Priorities and Projects

28. This application falls within the Council's responsibility for Licensing as a direct link to the Council's key corporate priority to support stronger and safer communities.



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Appendices

Appendix 1 – Application for review

Appendix 2 - Representations

Appendix 3 – Minutes of the meeting 4th July 2023

List of Background Documents

None