

# Notice of a meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee

### Monday, 21 March 2011 10.00 am Council Chamber - Municipal Offices

MEMBERS ATTENDING	OFFICERS ATTENDING
Councillor Garth Barnes	Sarah Farooqi, Regulatory Solicitor
Councillor Diggory Seacome	Manager Louis Krog, Senior Licensing
Councillor Pat Thornton	Officer
Councillor Jon Walklett	

### **Agenda**

- 1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN
- 2. APOLOGIES
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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4. HILLVIEW COMMUNITY CENTRE

Determination of an Application for Review of a Premises
Licence & a Club Premises Certificate

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### **Licensing Sub Committee Procedure**

### Note: REPORTS FOR SUB COMMITTEE'S WILL NOT INCLUDE AN OFFICER RECOMMENDATION BUT SHALL INCLUDE LICENSING COMMENTS.

### The Hearing

- 1) The sub committee will conduct the hearing in accordance with the statutory regulations on hearings and, where appropriate, the council's constitution.
- 2) Applicants / licensees will be invited to attend the sub committee and be represented if they so choose, they will be sent a full copy of the report about their application / case including all appendices and details of objections / representations. If they do not attend the committee can decide whether or not to deal with their item in their absence on the basis of the written report and the procedure as set out below.
- 3) The hearings will be held in public unless the licensing authority decides to exclude the public for all or part of the hearing because the public interest in doing so outweighs any other public interest consideration. A chair is elected who then introduces the members and officers and explains the procedure to be followed. The chair will introduce, in turn, each item on the agenda, briefly stating what it is about and inviting the parties to be seated. The chair will stress that the meeting will take the form of a discussion and that cross examination will not be permitted unless he considers it necessary for proper consideration of the matter before them.
- 4) Members who intend to vote must be present in the meeting room throughout the sub committee's consideration of an item so that they hear all of the evidence and hear / participate in the debate.
- 5) The report author or other appropriate officer presents the report, outlining the key issues and any licensing comments. This must be done in a maximum of 5-10 minutes unless the chair expressly approves otherwise. Members and the applicant / licensee/ responsible authorities / interested parties will have the opportunity of asking the officer questions.
- 6) The applicant / licensee (or their representative) will present their application and, if they choose to, call witnesses. This must be done in a maximum of 5-10 minutes unless the chair expressly approves otherwise. The applicant / licensee (or their representative) has the right to present their case without undue interruptions and when they have done so questions may be asked by members and by officers / responsible authorities / interested parties.
- 7) Responsible authorities / interested parties will be given the opportunity to make representations through their appointed spokesperson, this must be done in a maximum of 5 10 minutes unless the chair expressly approves otherwise. The applicant / licensee, members and officers will have the opportunity of asking the spokesperson questions.
- 8) The applicant / licensee (or their representative) will be given the final right of reply.
- 9) The sub committee will debate the application before making a decision.

10) The decision will be confirmed in writing giving reason(s) for the decision and details of any appeal rights. The decision notice / letter will be sent as soon as practicable after the meeting and any statutory time-scales will be followed.

Approved & Adopted Licensing Committee 02/02/07 (Min 9 refers)