

Licensing Sub-Committee

Wednesday, 2nd July, 2014
10.00 - 10.12 am

Attendees	
Councillors:	Garth Barnes, Andrew Chard and Diggory Seacome
Officers:	Vikki Fennel, Solicitor and Phil Cooper, Licensing Officer

Minutes

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

2. APOLOGIES

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

4. DETERMINATION OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE

Phil Cooper, Licensing Officer introduced the report as circulated with the agenda. An application had been received for a premises licence at Coffee & Co, 7 Montpellier Terrace, Cheltenham.

The application sought authorisation for the following licensable activities from 8am to 11.59pm every day:

- The sale of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises
- The performance of live music indoors
- The performance of recorded music indoors
- The performance of dance
- Entertainment of a similar description to those referred to above

The Licensing Officer referred Members to page 2 of the report which listed the applicants' steps to promote the licensing objectives, including;

- Joining the local Nightsafe scheme
- Adopting a Challenge 21 policy
- Installing a CCTV system
- Ceasing all use of the outside areas at 11pm
- Keeping windows and doors shut whenever regulated entertainment is being provided after 10pm
- Posting notices asking customers leaving the premises to do so quietly and in an orderly manner

The Licensing Officer advised Members that none of the eight responsible authorities had objected to the application.

Paragraph 4.1 on page 2 of the report detailed 2 relevant representations that had been received. The Licensing Officer confirmed that copies of the representations were provided at Appendix B of the report.

The Licensing Officer stated that residents had asked to state that the plan showing the location of the premises in relation to their property was not correct. The resident's property is the furthest on the right of the plan not the middle of the building as the red arrow showed.

Miss Badat attended the Sub Committee and spoke in support of the application.

Miss Badat explained to Members that the coffee shop had been open for over a year now and they wanted to offer more variety and cater to all needs of its customers. A small selection of alcohol would be offered including good wine sold by the glass. Miss Badat confirmed the premises were not intending to provide live music and had applied for these options on the application at one cost.

Members asked the following questions of Miss Badat and in replying said that:

- Live music and performance of dance had been selected on the application form just in case there was a private function that required this. The premises would not be run as a bar or entertainment venue and would close at 9pm at the latest.
- The applicants have several other cocktail bars that open late and this venue would not be open until 11pm.
- The venue is not changing to a tapas bar but would be providing this sort of food along with tea and cakes. This would offer customers more of a selection.
- The building was not suitable for use of performance of dance but had applied for various licensable activities in 1 application. Permission to play background music was in place.
- The top floor of the premises were the applicants offices.

Upon a vote it was unanimously;

RESOLVED that the application is granted as requested.

Chairman