LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

HELD AT 7.45 P.M. ON THURSDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2017

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Members Present:

Councillor Rajib Ahmed (Chair)
Councillor Suluk Ahmed
Councillor Dave Chesterton

1. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.

2. RULES OF PROCEDURE

The rules of procedure were noted.

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

4. APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF INTERIM STEPS UNDER SECTION 53 A OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 (REDON), RAILWAY ARCH, 289 CAMBRIDGE HEATH ROAD, LONDON E2 0EL

The Licensing Objectives

In considering the application, Members were required to consider the same in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (as amended), the Licensing Objectives, the Home Office Guidance and the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy.

Consideration

Each application must be considered on its own merits and after careful consideration the Chair stated that the Sub Committee had carefully listened to both interested parties with particular regard to the licensing objective of the prevention of serious crime and disorder associated with licenced premises and child safety.

Members noted that:

- i. The purpose of the interim review is to tackle serious crime and disorder associated with licenced premises and child safety;
- In effect being asked to make an interim decision, which will be the subject to a full review hearing within 28 days from receipt of the senior officer's documentation: Scheduled for 1st November 2017;
- iii. They must consider whether interim steps are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and determine whether to withdraw or modify the steps taken.

Councillors were aware that their options on interim review were:

- a. the Senior Officer's certificate that accompanied the application
- b. the Police's representations; and
- c. Any representations made by the premises licence holder.

The Members having heard at length from the applicant that the interim steps are not necessary and having heard from the police and the submitted evidence determined as follows:

Members:

- 1. Took into account the changes made by the applicant;
- 2. Noted that there had been a meeting with the applicant on 20th September, 2017 prior to the venue opening;
- 3. Agreed that there had been a failure by the applicant to comply with the licensing conditions 2; 13; 14; 18 and 24;
- 4. Agreed that there had been a catastrophic failure of the applicant in relation to the duty of care and the victim;
- 5. Agreed that there had not just been a failure of the door staff at Redon but also the applicant;
- 6. Noted that Halloween is an important weekend for licensed premises and taking this into account agreed that the applicant's premises license should remain suspended; and
- 7. Noted that there a full review hearing was scheduled for 1st November 2017.

Therefore a decision was made and the decision was unanimous, the decision was made to uphold the interim steps decision on a balance of probabilities on the basis that the police representations formed sufficient grounds on which the applicant's premises license should remain suspended in order to promote the prevention of serious crime and disorder associated with licenced premises and child safety.

The meeting ended at 9.15 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Rajib Ahmed Licensing Sub Committee