

**LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS**

**RECORD OF THE DECISIONS OF THE LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE**

**HELD AT 6.30 P.M. ON TUESDAY, 3 MARCH 2015**

**THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE  
CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG**

**Members Present:**

Councillor Amy Whitelock Gibbs (Chair)

Councillor Suluk Ahmed  
Councillor Candida Ronald

**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. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

The minutes of the Licensing Sub Committees held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 were agreed as a correct record of proceedings.

**4. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**4.1 Application for a New Premises Licence for The Hub by Premier Inn, 86  
Brick Lane, London, E1 6RL**

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 the Applicant's representative and in the absence of Objectors, Members noted and considered the written objections contained in the agenda.

Members paid particular attention to the licensing objectives of crime and disorder and public nuisance.

Members noted the concerns raised by residents; however also noted the Applicant's efforts in alleviating the concerns raised by objectors by agreeing to reduce hours for licensable activities for non-residents and accepting conditions proposed by the Metropolitan Police.

Members also acknowledged the Applicant's assurances regarding the premises not adding to the cumulative impact zone, management of late night access/entry to the premises and managing inebriated patrons. Members welcomed the clarification regarding the off sales and that it was only for patrons to be able to take drinks to their bedrooms.

Members made a decision and the decision was unanimous, Members decided to grant the application with conditions to help address concerns of residents and help promote the licensing objectives.

#### Decision

Accordingly, the Sub-Committee unanimously –

#### **RESOLVED**

That the application for a New Premises Licence for, The Hub by Premier Inn, 86 Brick Lane, London E1 6RL be **GRANTED** with conditions.

#### Sale of Alcohol (on and off sales)

Monday to Sunday from 10:00 hours to 23:30 hours

#### The Provision for Late Night Refreshments (indoors)

Monday to Sunday from 23:00 hours to 23:30 hours

#### The Provision of Regulated Entertainment in the form of Films (indoors)

Monday to Sunday from 10:00 hours to 23:30 hours

#### Hours premises are open to the public:

Monday to Sunday from 06:00 hours to 00:00 hours (midnight)

The hotel shall remain open 24 hours a day for hotel residents.

#### Conditions

1. CCTV camera system is to be installed and maintained.

2. The CCTV system shall incorporate a recording facility and recordings shall be retained and stored in a suitable and secure manner for a minimum of 31 days. A system shall be in place to maintain the quality of the recorded image and a complete audit trail maintained. The system will comply with other essential legislation, and all signs as required will be clearly displayed. The system will be maintained and fully operational throughout the hours that the premises are open for any licensable activity. There must also be someone on the premises, who can download the images and present them on request by a police officer or other responsible authority.
3. No drinks are to be taken outside the premises.

#### **4.2 Application for a Variation of the Premises Licence for Spice Hut, 220 Mile End Road, London E1 4LJ**

##### 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 decided to grant the application.

Members noted the real concerns about anti-social behaviour and drug dealing in the area. When considering the application Members took into consideration the licensing objectives of crime and disorder and public nuisance. The Chair stated that whilst the Sub Committee respects the evidence of PC Corcoran and that it was in good faith, most of the concerns were about general anti-social behaviour and drug dealing in the area and were not linked specifically to the premises. Members did note that PC Perry said that the Dragons Yard a known hotspot for drug dealing was a 5-10 minutes walk from the premises and that there were other chicken shops and fast food outlets within close vicinity and therefore Members were not convinced that by granting the extended hour it would contribute to further anti-social behaviour in the area.

Members took into consideration that there had been no objections from local residents, or any other responsible authorities and also noted that the existing licence had been in place since 2005 without any complaints or reviews. Members also noted the commitments made on the operating schedule on page 125 of the agenda and believed that by granting the variation application they could add conditions on the licence to help address specific concerns

raised by police and help regulate the premises as there were no conditions on the licence currently.

### Decision

Accordingly, the Sub-Committee unanimously –

### **RESOLVED**

That the application for a variation of the premises licence for, Spice Hut, 220 Mile End Road, London E1 4LJ be **GRANTED with conditions**.

### The Provision for Late Night Refreshments

Monday to Sunday from 23:00 hours to 02:00 hours (the following day)

Hours premises are open to the public:

Monday to Sunday from 10:30 hours to 02:30 hours (the following day)

### Condition

1. A CCTV camera system covering both internal and external to the premise is to be installed.
2. The CCTV recordings are to be maintained for 31 days and to be provided upon request to either a Police Officer or an officer of any other Responsible Authority. A system shall be in place to maintain the quality of the recorded image and a complete audit trail maintained. The system will be maintained and fully operational throughout the hours that the premises are open for any licensable activity.
3. At all times the premises is open, a person who can operate the CCTV system must be present on the premises, who can download the images and present them immediately on request by a Police Officer or other Responsible Authority.
4. That an incident report book be kept and record all incidents of crime and disorder associated with the premises.
5. Signs be prominently displayed both inside and outside of the premises asking customers to respect local residents and to be quiet when leaving the premises.

## **5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT**

There was no other business considered urgent.

The meeting ended at 8.30 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Amy Whitelock-Gibbs  
Licensing Sub Committee