LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

HELD AT 2.15 P.M. ON TUESDAY, 6 AUGUST 2013

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

Members Present:

Councillor Peter Golds (Chair)

Councillor Khales Uddin Ahmed Councillor Rajib Ahmed

Officers Present:

Kathy Driver – (Principal Licensing Officer)

Luke Elford – (Lawyer – Enforcement and Litigation Team)
Simmi Yesmin – (Senior Committee Officer, Democratic Services)

Applicants In Attendance:

None

Objectors In Attendance:

PC Alan Cruickshank - (Metropolitan Police)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.

3. RULES OF PROCEDURE

The rules of procedure was noted.

4. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES

The minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee meetings held on 16th & 23rd July were agreed and approved as a correct record.

5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

5.1 Application for a New Premises Licence for 82a Commercial Street, London E1 6LY

This application had been withdrawn by the Applicant.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT

<u>Application for a Temporary Event Notice for Unit 4, Stour Road, London E3 2NT.</u>

At the request of the Chair, Ms Kathy Driver, Principal Licensing Officer, introduced the report which detailed the application for a Temporary Event Notice for Unit 4, Stour Road, London E3 2NT. It was noted that objection had been made by the Metropolitan Police.

The applicant was not present at the meeting, therefore Members invited PC Alan Cruickshank, Metropolitan Police to make his representation on behalf of PC Mark Perry.

PC Cruickshank, explained that at last year's Hackney Wicked Festival there had been problems of anti-social behaviour, crime and disorder and public nuisance. It was noted that this year, Police Officers had been working with Festival Organisers to better organise the event and to prevent problems of public nuisance and crime and disorder as experienced at the previous event two years ago. It was noted that Queens Yard was set as a designated area for the sale of alcohol, and therefore there should be no other sale of alcohol outside the designated area. It was further noted that Queens Yard would be manned by SIA security staff.

PC Cruickshank stated that if other venues were to start selling outside the designated area there would be a lack of control which would cause further problems of public nuisance. It was also noted that the applicant had applied for hours beyond the festival opening hours.

The Licensing Objectives

In considering these applications, Members were required to consider the same in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (as amended), the Licensing Objectives, the Licensing 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 refuse the application due to substantial concerns raised by the Metropolitan Police in terms of public nuisance and crime and disorder at the previous event last year.

Decision

Accordingly, the Sub-Committee unanimously -

RESOLVED

That the application for a Temporary Event Notice for Unit 4, Stour Road, London E3 2NT, be **REFUSED**.

The meeting ended at 2.35 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Peter Golds Licensing Sub Committee