SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee A

Date: Monday, 8th October, 2018
Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor Hadley (Chair)

Councillors D McGlone and G Phillips

In Attendance: Mr R Harris, Mr M Newton and Mr L Coombes

Start/End Time: 9.30 am - 12.05 pm

326 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

327 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.

328 34-36 Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, SS9 1SN - Application for the Variation of a Premises Licence

The sub-committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) concerning an application by Rococo (Leigh) Ltd for the variation of a Premises Licence in respect of 34-36 Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, SS9 1SN.

The application was presented by the applicant's solicitor, Mr D Hook. Mr M Hassain (applicant) was also in attendance and gave evidence.

The sub-committee noted that one letter of objection to this application had been received from two of the responsible authorities, combining representations from the Licensing Authority and the Council's Environmental Protection Team. Representations had also been received from Leigh Town Council and a representative attended the hearing and gave evidence.

The representations related to the potential concerns of noise and public nuisance.

The sub-committee listened to all the evidence and submissions, and read all the documents. It had regard to the Statutory Guidance Notes and Southend-on-Sea Borough Council's Statement of Licensing Policy. The sub-committee further considered the four licensing objectives namely the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm.

On the basis of the evidence presented to it, the sub-committee considered that the licensing objectives and the objectors' concerns would be adequately addressed by the conditions imposed on the licence. The sub-committee therefore:

Resolved:

That the application for the variation of the premises licence be granted, subject to:

- 1. The Mandatory Conditions set out in Appendix 1 to the report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place).
- 2. The conditions drawn from the Operating Schedule set out in Appendix 2 to the report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place), subject to an amendment to condition 1 to remove the word 'minimum' so that the condition now reads:

'72 covers shall be maintained on the ground floor.'

- 3. The following additional conditions:
- (a) There shall be no smoking permitted on the escape walkway (via the emergency exit on the first floor).
- (b) All entrance and exit doors and the folding doors to the restaurant shall be kept closed from 10.00pm to 09.00am the following day, except for access and egress when the premises are open to the public.