

## **SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **Meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee A**

**Date: Monday, 25th July, 2016**

**Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite**

**Present:** Councillor D McGlone (Chairman)  
Councillors C Mulroney and S Buckley

**In Attendance:** R Harris, M Newton and A Penn,  
Also in attendance: L Wilcockson (Council appointed external solicitor)

**Start/End Time:** 9.30 am - 1.15 pm

#### **184 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence at this meeting.

#### **185 Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Mulroney – Minute 186 (Application for Grant of Premises Licence: La Petite Petanque) – non-pecuniary interest – sister lives within the vicinity of the premises but has had no dealings with the application;

#### **186 Application for the Grant of Premises Licence - La Petite Petanque, Alexandra Bowling Green, Cambridge Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 1EY**

The Sub Committee received a report by the Corporate Director for Place regarding an application by Rookland Ltd for the grant of a premises licence in respect of La Petite Petanque, Alexandra Bowling Green, Cambridge Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 1EY.

The application was presented by Mr West, the applicant's licensing consultant. Mr and Mrs Rooke, Directors of Rookland Ltd, were also in attendance. During the hearing the applicant offered to amend the application to reduce the hours for the sale of alcohol on the premises on Fridays and Saturdays from 23.00 to 22.00 hours.

The Sub Committee noted that whilst one of the Responsible Authorities, namely Essex Police, had initially objected to the application, conditions had been agreed between them and the applicant should the application be granted. Accordingly, these initial objections had been withdrawn on this basis. No other objections were received from any of the other Responsible Authorities.

Objections had however, been received from 38 other interested parties, namely residents. 12 of the objectors attended the hearing and 7 spoke on the application. Their concerns primarily related to noise, namely the prevention of public nuisance.

The Sub Committee considered all the evidence and submissions that had been made at the meeting and the written documentation that had been presented prior to the hearing. The Sub Committee also had regard to the National Guidelines and the Borough Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and 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, as they related to this application.

On the basis of the evidence presented to them, the Sub-Committee considered that the licensing objectives and the residents' concerns would be adequately addressed by the conditions imposed on the licence. The Sub Committee therefore:

Resolved:

That the application be granted subject to:

1. The mandatory conditions set out in Appendix 1 to the submitted report;
2. The conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule set out in Appendix 2 to the submitted report;
3. The conditions agreed with the Police set out in Appendix 3 to the submitted report;
4. The additional and amended conditions listed below:-
  - (i) The sale of alcohol for on the premises on Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00 hours to 22:00 hours. The terminal hour is extended on Valentine's Day, Christmas Eve, all bank and public holidays until 22.30 hours;
  - (ii) To be open to the public from Mondays to Thursdays from 08:00 hours to 19:00 hours, on Fridays and Saturdays from 08:00 to 22:30 and on Sundays from 09:30 to 19:00 hours. The terminal hour is extended on Valentine's Day, Christmas Eve, all bank and public holidays until 22:30 hours;
  - (iii) The licensee shall provide a free taxi calling service for patrons;
  - (iv) Signage shall be placed at the exit of the premises requesting that patrons leave quietly and avoid slamming car doors;
  - (v) Last orders for food shall be no later than 21:00;
  - (vi) The external doors to the area marked 'veranda' shall be closed between 19:00 and 08:00, except for access and egress for smokers.

**Chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_