SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee A

Date: Tuesday, 18th October, 2016
Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor R Hadley (Chairman)

Councillors N Folkard and G Phillips

In Attendance: P Tremayne, T Row, P Tremayne, M Newton and A Penn

Start/End Time: 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

379 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

380 Declarations of Interest

All the Members of the sub-committee declared a non-pecuniary interest in the application under consideration on the basis that both objectors were known to them as fellow Councillors.

Shell Sovereign, 96-118 Prince Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 6NN - Application for the Variation of Premises Licence

The sub-committee received a report of the Corporate Director for Place concerning an application made by Shell UK Oil Products Limited for the variation of a premises licence in respect of Shell Sovereign 96-118 Prince Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 6PL.

The application was presented by Professor R Light (Applicant's Advocate). Mr M Chaudhry was in attendance at the meeting to support the application.

The sub-committee noted that no objections to the application had been received from any of the Responsible Authorities although conditions had been agreed with the Licensing Authority should the application be granted which addressed their concerns.

Representations had however, been received from two other persons, one of whom, namely Councillor Davidson, attended the hearing and gave evidence. The objectors' concerns primarily related to potential contravention of two of the licensing objectives, namely the prevention of public nuisance and public safety.

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 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 be granted subject to:

- (i) The mandatory conditions set out in Appendix 1 to the report of the Corporate Director for Place;
- (ii) The proposed amended/revised conditions (following consultation with the Licensing Authority) set out in Appendix 2 to the report of the Corporate Director for Place;
- (iii) The following additional condition:
- Signage shall be placed in a prominent position adjacent to the serving hatch outside requesting that patrons leave quietly.