

FOR THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE FOR 10 FEBRUARY 2015

APPLICATION FOR PREMISES LICENCE

Applicant: Annemarie Emakpor **Ref.No**. OL/16/03

Premises: 16 Garrett Walk, Middlesbrough TS1 5NE

Application received: 23 December 2015

Summary of Proposed Licensable Activities:

Supply of Alcohol – 9am to 10pm Monday to Friday, 8am to 10pm Saturday and Sunday

Full details of the application and accompanying operating schedule have been reproduced at Appendix 1.

1. Notification to Responsible Authorities:

The following Responsible Authorities have all received notification of the application:

Chief Constable Planning Manager

Chief Fire Officer Trading Standards Manager
Area Child Protection Group Director of Public Health
Environmental Health Manager

(Public Safety and Public Nuisance)

2. Application advertised by the applicant: Evening Gazette – 31 December 2015

3. Legislation

The Licensing Act 2003 requires the Licensing Authority to carry out its functions with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives:

- The Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- Public Safety
- The Prevention of Public Nuisance
- The Protection of Children from Harm

The Licensing Authority must also have regard to its Licensing Policy and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State.

4. Background

The premises consist of a ground floor retail unit located close to the town centre and in close proximity to residential properties, community premises and a primary school. A location plan is attached at Appendix 2. An application for a Premises Licence in relation to 16 Garrett Walk was previously considered by a Licensing Sub Committee on 4 April 2014. At that time Members considered representations made by local residents and a number of local community groups and chose to refuse the licence on the grounds that granting the licence would undermine the following licensing objectives: The Prevention of Crime and Disorder, The Prevention of Public Nuisance and the Protection of Children from Harm.

16 Garrett Walk is located within the Central Ward. This ward is currently subject to a cumulative impact policy as detailed in the Council's current Licensing Policy.

5. The Representations

On 7 January 2016 a representation was received from Councillors Linda Lewis and Zafar Uddin, ward councillors for the Central Ward. The Councillors ward is adjacent to the Newport Ward where the premises are located. The Councillors object to the application on the grounds of the protection from children from harm, public safety and the prevention of public nuisance. That representation is attached at Appendix 3.

On 15 January 2016 a petition was submitted by the Applicant which supported the grant of the application. The petition does not detail any reasons as to why the licence should be granted. The petition is attached at Appendix 4.

On 19 January 2016 a representation was received from Councillor Alma Hellaoui, a local ward councillor, which objected to the application on the grounds of the protection of children from harm and the prevention of public nuisance. A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix 5.

On 20 January 2016 a representation was received from Councillors Tracy Harvey and Bob Brady, both local ward councillors, which objects to the application on the grounds of the protection of children from harm and the prevention of public nuisance. A copy of that representation is attached at Appendix 6.

On 20 January 2016 a representation was received from Cleveland Police which objects to the application on the grounds of the prevention of crime and disorder and the prevention of public nuisance. A copy of that representation is attached at Appendix 7.

Following consultation with a Public Health Officer from Middlesbrough Council the Applicant agreed to a number of additional conditions in relation to the operating schedule of the licence. Should a licence be granted then the following agreed conditions would be applied to the licence:

The premises will not stock, display or sell any lager, beer, cider or perry product with an ABV content above 6.5%.

The Premises Licence Holder/Designated Premises Supervisor will participate in any Responsible Retailing Scheme and any relevant training which the Local Authority provide.

The Premises Licence Holder/Designated Premises Supervisor will participate in any local Off Licence forums held by the Local Authority.

Any staff employed at the premises will be provided with training on first appointment and on a regular basis thereafter. Training will include information on preventing the sale of alcohol to somebody who is drunk or believed to be buying alcohol for a person who is drunk.

A written record will be kept of all training carried out. This record must be kept on the premises and made available for inspection by a responsible authority.

All alcohol will be displayed/stored behind the counter.

6. The Licensing Policy

Members are referred to the following relevant sections of the Council's Licensing Policy.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder
Public Safety
Prevention of Public Nuisance
Protection of Children From Harm
Cumulative Impact Areas
Starting at Page 24
Starting at Page 26
Starting at Page 29
Starting at Page 37

And any other sections of the Policy which Members consider to be relevant.

7. Guidance to the Licensing Act 2003

Members are referred to the following relevant sections of the Guidance.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder
Public Safety
Starting at paragraph 2.1
Starting at paragraph 2.6
Starting at paragraph 2.1
Protection of Public Nuisance
Starting at paragraph 2.14
Starting at paragraph 2.21
Cumulative Impact Areas
Starting at paragraph 13.20

And any other sections of the Guidance which Members consider to be relevant.

8. Members' Options

Members may consider the following options:

Grant the application subject to conditions consistent with the operating schedule and mandatory conditions if applicable.

Grant the application subject to the addition of new conditions.

Reject the whole or part of the application.

Members are reminded that any aggrieved party (i.e. Applicant, Responsible Authority, Other Person) may appeal any decision of the Licensing Committee to the Magistrates' Court.

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Decision:

Reasons: