

**Unconfirmed**



Minutes of a Meeting of the **Licensing Sub-Committee** held remotely via Zoom on **Friday 16 April 2021 at 10:30 am**

**Members of the Sub-Committee present:**

Councillor Edward Back, Councillor Jocelyn Bond, Councillor John Fisher, Councillor Mark Newton

**Other Members present:**

Councillor Mary Rudd

**Officers present:**

Katherine Abbott (Democratic Services Officer), Teresa Bailey (Senior Licensing Officer), Martin Clarke (Housing Project Lawyer), Leonie Hoults (Licensing Officer), Matt Makin (Democratic Services Officer)

**Others present:**

Dr Badrinath (Public Health, SCC), John Corkett (Suffolk Constabulary), Ms Cullum (Public Health, SCC), Mr Kingsley (Solicitor), Mr Uddin (Designated Premises Supervisor), Dr Winder (Public Health, SCC)

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**1 Election of a Chairman**

Councillor Newton was nominated by Councillor Bond to be Chairman of this Meeting of the Sub-Committee. The nomination was seconded by Councillor Fisher. There being no other nominations Councillor Newton was duly elected as Chairman.

**2 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Robinson. Councillor Fisher, as the original designated reserve member, therefore sat on the Sub-Committee. Councillor Back acted as the new designated reserve member.

Before turning to the agenda, the Chairman made some introductory comments to explain how the remote meeting would be conducted.

**3 Declarations of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

**4       Declarations of Lobbying and Responses to Lobbying**

There were no Declarations of Lobbying.

**5       Review of Premises Licence - Spice of Balti, Bungay**

The Chairman asked the Council's Legal Adviser to briefly summarise the process that would be applied to this review of the premises licence. The Chairman also invited the Applicant as a Responsible Authority, representatives of Public Health also a Responsible Authority, and the Officers of the Council acting in support of the Sub-Committee to introduce themselves. The Designated Premises Supervisor/Premises Licence Holder (Mr Uddin) for the premises under review and their legal representative also introduced themselves.

The Licensing Officer referred all those present and participating in the meeting to the late photographic evidence provided by Mr Uddin's legal representative that morning. It was agreed by all parties that this would be received. The Licensing Officer added that the Applicant also wished to present video evidence from the body-cameras of the two police officers who had attended the premises on 9 January 2021. It was agreed by all parties that this would be received. The Applicant asked if video evidence could be viewed in closed session; he explained that some matters were subject to on-going criminal investigations and a public viewing might prejudice a fair trial.

**RESOLVED**

That the Licensing Sub-Committee, having heard the application from the representative for the Applicant, considered that the public interest in excluding the public from the Meeting outweighed the public interest in the Meeting taking part in public and, therefore, in accordance with Regulation 14 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearing Regulations) 2005, determined that the remainder of the meeting be heard in private

The remainder of the meeting is recorded in a separate, exempt Minute.

The meeting concluded at 2:20 pm

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Chairman