

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

LICENSING COMMITTEE

**Minutes from the Meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Wednesday,
27th February, 2019 at 10.00 am in the Council Chamber - Town Hall,
Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ**

PRESENT: Councillors C J Crofts (Chairman), Miss S Sandell and Mrs S Fraser.

OFFICERS:

Jake Currier – Legal Advisor

Octavia Holman - Observing

Marie Malt – Senior Licensing Officer

Rebecca Parker – Democratic Services Officer

Johanna Riches - Observing

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

The Respondent was not present at the Hearing.

2 **ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

There was no declarations of interest.

4 **TO CONSIDER A REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE FOR 7 DAYS,
122 LONDON ROAD, KING'S LYNN**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Hearing and declared that the Sub-Committee was sitting to consider a review of a premises licence in respect of 7 days, 122 London Road, King's Lynn.

He introduced the Sub-Committee, the Borough Council officers and the Legal Advisor and explained their roles.

Representatives from Norfolk Trading Standards, who had made the review application, introduced themselves.

The representative from Norfolk Constabulary, who supported the application made by Norfolk Trading Standards introduced himself.

The Licence Holder was not present at the Hearing.

5 **PROCEDURE WHICH WILL BE FOLLOWED AT THE HEARING**

At the request of the Chairman, the Legal Advisor outlined the procedure which would be followed at the Hearing.

6 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Norfolk Trading Standards had requested that the Hearing proceed in closed session. The Sub-Committee considered the request.

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Regulation 14(2) of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearing Regulations) 2005, the press and public be excluded from the Hearing.

7 **REPORT OF THE LICENSING OFFICER**

At the request of the Chairman the Senior Licensing Officer presented her report and responded to questions from all parties.

8 **THE APPLICANTS CASE**

Norfolk Trading Standards, who had made the review application, presented their case and responded to questions from all parties.

9 **THE RESPONDENTS CASE**

The Licence Holder was not present at the Hearing.

10 **THE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES CASE**

The representative from Norfolk Constabulary presented his case and explained that Norfolk Constabulary supported the application made by Norfolk Trading Standards. The representative from Norfolk Constabulary responded to questions from all parties.

11 **SUMMING UP - THE SENIOR LICENSING OFFICER**

The Senior Licensing Officer summed up her case. She requested that the Sub-Committee consider the written information and the information put forward at the Hearing today.

She requested that the Sub-Committee determine the application by using one of the methods as set out in her report.

The Sub-Committee was reminded that full reasons for their decision must be given as there was provision for all parties to appeal to the Magistrates Court against that decision.

12 **SUMMING UP - RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES**

The representative from Norfolk Constabulary summed up his case.

13 **SUMMING UP - THE APPLICANT**

The representatives from Norfolk Trading Standards summed up their case.

14 **SUMMING UP - THE RESPONDENT**

The Licence Holder was not present at the Hearing.

15 **OUTSTANDING MATTERS**

The Legal Advisor addressed outstanding matters before the Sub-Committee retired.

The Legal Advisor asked if Octavia Holman from the Legal Department could remain in the room during the Panels retirement, for training purposes. This was agreed by all parties present.

16 **REACHING A DECISION**

The Sub-Committee retired to consider its decision in private, accompanied by the Democratic Services Officer, the Legal Advisor and the trainee, on specific points of law and procedure.

On reconvening, the Legal Advisor outlined the advice which had been provided to the Sub-Committee

17 **DECISION**

The Decision of the Sub-Committee was read out.

18 **THE APPLICANTS CASE**

The meeting closed at 11.45 am