

**SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL**

**Licensing Sub-Committee**

**Meeting held 16 December 2019**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Karen McGowan (Chair), Roger Davison and Ruth Mersereau

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**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

1.1 An apology for absence was received from Councillor Cliff Woodcraft.

**2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

2.1 RESOVLED: That the public and press be excluded from the meeting before discussion takes place on item 5 on the agenda on the grounds that, if the public and press were present during the transaction of such business, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information as described in paragraph 7 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

**4. LICENSING ACT 2003 - REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE**

4.1 The Chief Licensing Officer submitted a report to consider an application, made by Sheffield City Council Trading Standards, under Section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003, for a review of a premises licence (Ref.No.117/19).

4.2 Present at the meeting were Bill Masini and Neil Bates (Trading Standards, Applicants), Julie Hague (Sheffield Children Safeguarding Partnership), Sarah Hepworth (Sheffield Public Health), Cheryl Topham (South Yorkshire Police Licensing Officer), Craig Harper (Licensing Strategy and Policy Officer), Marie-Claire Frankie (Solicitor to the Sub-Committee) and John Turner (Democratic Services). The current Premises Licence Holder had been invited to the hearing, but was not in attendance.

4.3 Marie-Claire Frankie outlined the procedure which would be followed during the hearing.

4.4 Craig Harper submitted the report to the Sub-Committee, and it was noted that representations had been received from South Yorkshire Police, Sheffield Children Safeguarding Partnership, Licensing Authority and Sheffield Public Health, and were attached at Appendix "C" to the report.

4.5 Bill Masini reported on the grounds as to why the application had been made by Trading Standards.

- 4.6 Bill Masini and representatives of the other responsible authorities in attendance responded to questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.
- 4.7 Sarah Hepworth made representations on behalf of Sheffield Public Health.
- 4.8 Julie Hague made representations on behalf of Sheffield Children Safeguarding Partnership.
- 4.9 Cheryl Topham made representations on behalf of South Yorkshire Police.
- 4.10 Bill Masini summarised the case on behalf of Trading Standards.
- 4.11 Craig Harper outlined the options open to the Sub-Committee.
- 4.12 RESOLVED: That the attendees involved in the application be excluded from the meeting before further discussion takes place on the grounds that, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, if those persons were present, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information as described in paragraph 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972, as amended.
- 4.13 Marie-Claire Frankie reported orally, giving legal advice on various aspects of the application.
- 4.14 At this stage in the proceedings, the meeting was re-opened to the attendees.
- 4.15 RESOLVED: That, in the light of the information contained in the report now submitted and the representations now made, the premises licence in respect of the premises now mentioned (Ref No. 117/19) be revoked.

(The full reasons for the Sub-Committee's decision will be included in the written notice of determination).