



Minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee

18 December 2014

-: Present :-

Councillor

Councillors Addis, Bent and Ellery

28. Election of Chairman/woman

Councillor Addis was elected as Chairman for the meeting.

29. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 13 November 2014 and 27 November 2014 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

30. Licensing Act 2003 - An application for a Premises Licence in respect of Torquay United Football Club, Plainmoor, Torquay. TQ1 3PS.

Members considered an application for a Premises Licence in respect of Torquay United Football Club, Plainmoor, Torquay. TQ1 3PS.

The Premises do not fall within the Cumulative Impact Area.

Written Representations received from:

Name	Details	Date of Representation
Public Protection	Representation in relation to Licensing Objective 'The Prevention of Public Nuisance' and proposed conditions.	28 November 2014
Interested Parties	2 Representations in relation to 'The Prevention of Crime and Disorder,' 'The Prevention of Public Nuisance' and the 'Protection of Children from Harm.'	25 November 2014 26 November 2014

Members noted that there had been no additional Representations received from any other Responsible Authority or any other Interested Party.

Oral Representations received from:

Name	Details
The Applicant	The Applicant outlined the application, as set out in the submitted documents and responded to Members questions.
Public Protection	The Public Protection Officer outlined their Representation, as set out in the submitted documents, responded to Members questions.
Interested Party	An Interested Party outlined his Representation, as set out in the submitted documents and responded to Members questions.

Additional Information;

The Senior Licensing Officer advised Members that there are currently two existing Premise Licences in place which would be surrendered should the new application for a Premise Licence be granted.

The new Premise Licence would consolidate the two existing licences and conditions with the addition of two outdoor events per year.

The Public Protection Officer advised Members that before the large events the operator would have to apply and hold a Special Safety Certificate. The certificate must be approved and granted prior to a large event and will state conditions that must be complied with.

The Public Safety Advisory Group (PSAG) is the approving authority and will request the club submits an Event Safety Plan before any large event.

Decision:

That the application for Premises Licence in respect of Torquay United Football Club, Plainmoor, Torquay. TQ1 3PS be granted as applied for, with the addition of the following conditions;

1. At times when the neighbouring school is closed, the premises designated smoking area shall be located in Homelands Lane.

During the two outdoor events taking place the following conditions shall apply;

1. The event shall have a wind down period to allow for public dispersal. Marshalls/Stewards shall control and advise the public to leave the site quickly and quietly.
2. The Designated Organiser shall ensure that announcements are broadcast by loudspeaker system at closing requesting that patrons co-operate in leaving the premises and vicinity as quickly and quietly as possible.
3. Construction and deconstruction of the fencing, staged area and units ancillary to the event shall not be carried out between the hours of 23.00 and 08.00 hours to minimise disturbance to residents.
4. The organiser shall liaise with Environmental Health regarding environmental regulations, noise levels. Council Officers if in attendance shall monitor noise level and have contact with stage control.
5. Sound checking shall be only carried out for a period of 1 hour at a time agreed with Environmental Health.
6. The sound pressure level of the event shall not exceed 100Db (A) Leq60sec for the duration of the event measured at a height of 2.5m 50m from the front of the stage (or at the delay tower/sound booth).
7. All amplification speakers shall be operated towards 'Bristow Bench' or as advised by Environmental Health.
8. Prior to commencement of the event, sound checks shall be undertaken by Environmental Health as appropriate.
9. The volume of amplified sound must be under the control of a designated member of staff and will be monitored from locations as identified by Environmental Health and documented as part of the event safety plan.

Reason for Decision:

Having carefully considered all the written and oral Representations, Members resolved to grant the licence with the additional conditions, having been satisfied on all the evidence before them that the Licensing Objectives would not be undermined.

In coming to this decision, Members had regard to the current two premises licences held by the premises and noted the oral report from the Council's Public Protection Officer that they did not have any recorded noise nuisance complaints against the premises.

In addition Members noted the absence of any Representation from the Police or any other Responsible Authority, having heard from parties present at the hearing that the Applicant had engaged with the Responsible Authorities prior to making the application and included in to their operating schedule, all conditions recommended by those Authority's.

In concluding, Members had particular regard to both written Representations from the Interested Parties and the oral evidence given by the Interested Party present at the hearing. In doing so, Members resolved that by the imposition of the conditions and the specific conditions regarding windows and doors being kept shut during live and amplified music, with a management scheme in place to ensure compliance of this and by re-locating the premises designated smoking area away from immediate residential properties, that this would seek to alleviate the concerns raised by them.

Chairman/woman