

Decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee held on 31st May 2012
Regarding an Expedited/Summary Review of Mambo/The Beach Hut, 7
The Strand, Torquay,

Decision:

Following the Section 53A Summary Review application by the Police, Members have resolved that the Premises Licence be suspended with immediate effect until 25th June 2012, whereby a Review Hearing would have been heard on the 22nd June 2012, as in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 provision.

Reason for Decision:

Having carefully considered all oral and written Representations, Members have serious concerns about the issues that have occurred at this Premise, as identified by the Police in their application.

Members noted on the evidence before them that in their opinion, three of the four Licensing Objectives have been undermined by the serious incidents reported in the Police's application, namely:

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

and that this caused them great concern.

Members further noted at the time of making this decision, the proposed measures put forward by the Respondent did not go far enough to address the risk or further serious disorder and that the steps already taken had not yet been fully implemented. As such, their concerns were not alleviated, given the serious nature of the incidents that have already occurred at this Premise.

In concluding, Members felt that the only interim step appropriate and proportionate to ensure that the Licensing Objectives are promoted, is for the Premises Licence to be suspended with immediate effect until a decision of the Licensing Committee at a Full Review Hearing can be determined.

Finally a date has been set for the 22nd June 2012 for a Full Review hearing. This is required by the Licensing Act 2003. As part of this legal process all the Responsible Authorities have been notified and they have until 15th June 2012 to make any representations on this Full Review.