

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee** held in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Spennymoor on **Tuesday 9 April 2013 at 10.00 am**

Present:

Councillor J Shiell (Chair)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors B Alderson, B Arthur, D Brown and B Graham

Apologies:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors

Also Present:

K Monaghan – Senior Licensing Officer

G Proud – Legal Officer

1 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies received.

2 Substitute Members

There were no substitute Members.

3 Declarations of Interest (if any)

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Application for the Grant of a Premises Licence - Chester-le-Street Fake Festival, Riverside Park, Chester-le-Street

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services which gave details of an application for a Premises Licence in respect of Chester-le-Street Fake Festival, Riverside Park, Chester-le-Street (for copy see file of Minutes).

Members had been provided with a copy of the application and location plan, together with representations from Public Health and the Police.

Successful mediation had taken place between all parties and a copy of the Mediation Agreement had also been circulated to the Sub-Committee. The Licensing Officer advised that the Mediation Agreement had been amended to include further additional conditions which limited the Premises Licence to 2

consecutive days in any one year and which required the applicant to give not less than 3 months notice of events.

In considering the application the Sub-Committee had considered the report of the Licensing Officer and the Mediation Agreement. The Sub-Committee had also taken into account the relevant provisions of the Licensing Act 2003, Section 182 Guidance issued by the Secretary of State and the Council's Licensing Policy.

Resolved:

That in view of and pursuant to the Mediation Agreement the application be disposed of by imposing the following conditions in addition to those detailed in the original application:-

A General

- a) The Premises Licence Holder will have a policy for the disposal of alcohol which has been seized during the event.
- b) The Premises Licence Holder will inform the local hospitals and ambulance service of the date and time of the event.
- c) The Premises Licence will be limited to two consecutive days in any one year.
- d) The Premises Licence Holder will give the Licensing Authority not less than 3 months notice of the date of the event.

B The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

- (a) Serving persons who appear to be drunk
 - Entry to the event will be declined to anyone who appears to be drunk
 - The Premises Licence Holder will have a policy on serving to drunks which includes the support bar staff will receive from management and security to feel confident in refusing to serve someone.
 - Bar staff will be briefed prior to the commencement of the event.
 - Refusal register will be endorsed.
- (b) Door supervisors to be employed at a ratio of 1 per 75
- (c) The shift times for door supervisors in strategic locations will be 12.30 – 23.59 hours. The strategic locations to be as shown on the map attached to the Mediation Agreement.

- (d) An operational daily log must be kept documenting door supervisors information. This is to include full name, full badge number, date of birth, contact phone number, security companies name and start and finish times.
- (e) Every person entering the event will be checked by metal detector wands for the prevention of knives and other metal objects being taken into the event.

E The Protection of Children from Harm

- (a) A proof of age policy will be in place for people under 25 years of age via the Challenge 25 scheme.
- (b) The only forms of identification that will be accepted are a passport, a photo driving licence and 'PASS' hologram ID – ie ID4U.
- (c) A refusal register will be kept and endorsed after every sale refused. This will include over 18's purchasing alcohol and passing it to under 18's (proxy sales) and the refusal of persons who appear to be drunk. This information will be passed directly to the Police.
- (d) For the prevention of proxy sales the following will apply:-
 - Security to actively look for adults supplying alcohol to under 18's.
 - Security to eject and pass details on to the Police for anyone found to be supplying alcohol to under 18's.
 - The Premises Licence Holder will display notices around the venue highlighting the above actions to people.
 - Only one alcoholic drink to be served per person at any one time. In a group every person wanting an alcoholic drink must show an over 18 wrist band to bar staff.
- (e) Wristbands will be fitted by security staff at the main door once ID is seen for persons over 18. If a wristband is found to be tampered with all persons in the party will be removed from the event and the refusal register will be endorsed.
- (f) Local off-licences and supermarkets will be written to directly and notified of the event and the times, and asked to be extra vigilant in relation to under age sales before, during and after the event.
- (g) All youths under 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult.
- (h) All children under the age of 10 will be off site by 9pm.
- (i) Signs will be displayed to remind people that it is a criminal offence to be drunk in charge of a child under the age of 7 in a public place.

- (j) A reminder will be given to bands when being briefed that bad language, promotion of alcohol/drugs/gambling is strictly prohibited.
- (k) The Premises Licence Holder will not display any advertising for alcohol when children under the age of 18 are on the premises.