

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee** held remotely via Microsoft Teams on **Monday 7 September 2020 at 3.00 pm**

Present:

Councillor L Marshall (Chair)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors C Hampson, A Hopgood and J Maitland

Also Present:

S Grigor (Council's Solicitor)

H Johnson (Licensing Team Leader)

Sgt C Dickenson (Durham Constabulary)

S Norman (Harm Reduction Unit – Durham Constabulary)

1 Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence had been received from Councillor J Blakey.

2 Substitute Members

There were no substitute Members.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Exclusion of the Public

Resolved:

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the said Act.

6 Application for a Personal Licence

Councillors L Marshall, A Hopgood and J Maitland

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director of Neighbourhoods and Climate Change regarding an application for a Personal Licence (for copy of report, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and advised Members that the Applicant had advised that he would not be in attendance but had indicated that his application be heard in his absence.

The Applicant had submitted further information in support of his application that the Licensing Team Leader read out and was circulated to Members prior to the meeting.

Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Licensing Team Leader.

Representatives from Durham Constabulary were in attendance and provided background information in respect of the matters referred to in the report and responded to questions.

All parties were given the opportunity to sum up.

The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and at 3.20 pm the Sub-Committee Resolved to retire in private to deliberate the Applicant's suitability to hold a Personal Licence.

In reaching their decision the Sub-Committee had taken into account the report of the Licensing Team Leader and the written representations of the Applicant and the written and verbal representations of Durham Constabulary. Members had also considered Section 182 Guidance issued by the Secretary of State and Section 132A of the Licensing Act 2003.

Resolved: That the application for a Personal Licence be refused.