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Part A – Items considered in public

<p>6</p>	<p>Application for Review of Premises Licence: Best American Pizza, 16a, Pitfield Street, N1 6EY</p>	<p><u>The decision</u></p> <p>The Sub-Committee in considering this decision from the information presented to it within the report and at the hearing today have determined that having regard to the promotion of all the licensing objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The prevention of crime and disorder • Public safety • Prevention of public nuisance • The protection of children from harm <p>that the premises licence for Best American Pizza, 16a Pitfield Street, N1 6EY be revoked.</p> <p>Reasons for the decision</p> <p>The Sub-Committee has been persuaded by the Responsible Authorities contention that the revocation of the licence is both necessary and appropriate to uphold the licensing objectives, in particular the prevention of public nuisance and crime and disorder.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee noted the evidence presented by the Licensing Authority, written representations from the Police and Environmental Health, and an informative from the Planning Authority.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee did not have the sufficient confidence in the Premises Licence Holder (Licensee) and management, given the alleged activities that were carried on beyond the permitted hours, as authorised by the premises licence. It was noted that this history of unauthorised activity was undermining the licensing objectives, particularly in terms of causing a public nuisance. The Sub-Committee were disappointed to note that this had</p>
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		<p>continued even after specific action had been taken against the Licensee, by way of a formal interview under caution, which was carried out in January 2018. Such activity, included most recently on 29th April and 8th June 2018 when a complaint was received about the premises trading beyond its hours. This followed an unauthorised sale taking place on 1st April 2018, 4 days before the licensee’s variation application was considered by the Licensing Authority.</p> <p>The complete disregard the Licensee has shown in the past and the negative cumulative impact arising from the poor track record of the management for the premises, located within the heart of the Shoreditch Special Policy Area, persuaded the Sub-Committee that the Licensee had not adequately demonstrated the ability to uphold the licensing objectives in order to prevent public nuisance from reoccurring.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee noted that it was unfortunate that no evidence had been provided to support the verbal representations made by the Licensee in relation to the measures that was advocated at the meeting, these measures related to procedures that had been introduced to improve the management of the premises since April 2018 including induction of new staff and installation of CCTV cameras along with a willingness to agree to any appropriate additional conditions being place on the licence, to ensure the premises was operating in compliance with it’s permitted licensable hours and was promoting the licensing objectives. The Sub-Committee also noted that if formal evidence, including any proposed conditions, as opposed to just oral assertions made at the meeting, were placed in front of them, the decision may have been different.</p> <p>In summary, the changes that the Licensee states has been made between April 2018 and the hearing date were fully considered at the meeting. However, the Sub-Committee was not sufficiently satisfied and did not have complete faith, given the history, that the Licensee has now changed the operation by putting in place a management system with the relevant measures, to maintain and promote the licensing objectives.</p>

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		<p>The Sub-Committee in making this decision has considered all the other options available to them, as detailed within the report, and were satisfied that none of these would adequately address the likelihood of the licensing objectives form being undermined at this point in time.</p>
7	Temporary Event Notices - Standing Item	There were no temporary event notices.