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London Borough of Hackney – Decisions taken by the Licensing Sub Committee A on Tuesday, 26 February 2019

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5	Premises Licence: The Grapevine, 124 Shoreditch High Street, E1 6JE	Decision
		The Licensing Sub-Committee in considering this decision from the information presented to it within the report and at the hearing today has determined that having regard to the promotion of all the licensing objectives:
		 The prevention of crime and disorder; Public safety; Prevention of public nuisance; The protection of children from harm; the application for a premises licence has been refused in accordance with Licensing Policies LP1, LP2, and LP10 within the Council's licensing statement.
		Reasons for the decisionThe Licensing Sub-Committee, having heard from the Licensing Authority and Other Persons believed that by granting the application it is likely to result in the licensing objectives for the promotion of public nuisance and crime and disorder being undermined within the Shoreditch Special Policy Area (Shoreditch SPA).
		The Licensing Sub-Committee took into consideration the representations made by the Licensing Authority, and Other Persons regarding the cumulative impact in the Shoreditch SPA, which is an area saturated with licenced premises that has, as a consequence, resulted in complaints from local residents.

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The Licensing Sub-Committee carefully considered the representations made by the Applicant's representative which included the concept, nature and proposed operation of the premises within the Shoreditch SPA. The Licensing Sub-Committee also took into consideration that the Applicant had a understanding of the nature of the locality in which the premises was located over a number of years and that the Applicant is an experienced premises owner in the area along with holding a premises licence at No. 123 Shoreditch High Street.
The Licensing Sub-Committee were not satisfied that the Applicant was able to demonstrate that the addition of another premises in the heart of the Shoreditch SPA would not add to the negative cumulative impact that is currently being experienced in the area. The Licensing Sub-Committee felt that the proposed capacity of the premises for both the basement and the ground floor would result in more people coming into the area, consuming alcohol and staying in the area for longer, which would inevitably contribute and add to the public nuisance, and crime and disorder in this part of the Shoreditch SPA.
The Licensing Sub-Committee took into consideration when refusing this application the acute alcohol related problems and issues continually being experienced in the Shoreditch SPA that has resulted in increased public nuisance and crime and disorder, which regularly affect the local residents, whom also believe and have indicated the police are struggling to control. Therefore, it was felt that by not granting a licence the licensing objectives would be promoted.