



LICENSING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 18th March, 2020

at 7.00 pm

Council Chamber, Hackney Town Hall, Mare
Street, London E8 1EA

Membership

Cllr Emma Plouviez (Chair), Cllr Brian Bell (Vice-Chair), Cllr M Can Ozsen,
Cllr Gilbert Smyth, Cllr Sharon Patrick, Cllr Margaret Gordon, Cllr James Peters,
Cllr Caroline Selman, Cllr Sophie Conway, Cllr Sem Moema, Cllr Peter Snell,
Cllr Penny Wrout and Cllr Harvey Odze, Kofo David

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AGENDA

Wednesday, 18th March, 2020

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LICENSING COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 14TH JANUARY 2020

Present: Councillor Emma Plouviez in the Chair

Cllr M Can Ozsen, Cllr Gilbert Smyth,
Cllr Margaret Gordon, Cllr James Peters,
Cllr Sophie Conway, Cllr Sem Moema,
Cllr Peter Snell and Cllr Harvey Odze

Apologies: Cllr Brian Bell, Cllr Sharon Patrick,
Cllr Caroline Selman, Cllr Ian Rathbone and
Cllr Penny Wrout

Officers: Samantha Mathys (Late Night Levy Manager)
Butta Singh (Senior Licensing Lawyer)
David Tuitt (Business Regulation Team Leader)
Natalie Williams (Governance Services Officer)

Police: Inspector Sam Horton, Night time Economy –
Central East BCU of the Police

1 Apologies for Absence

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from or on behalf of the following Councillors: Bell, Cameron, Patrick, Rathbone, Selman and Wrout

2 Declarations of Interest - Members to declare as appropriate

2.1 There were no declarations of interests.

3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

3.1 Cllr Odze noted that there were grammatical errors in the minutes.

3.2 It was noted that the minutes of the meeting held on 18th September 2019 were not taken by the Governance Services Officer present, who had recently taken over administration of the Licensing Committee.

3.3 **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 18th September 2019 be agreed as a true and accurate record.

4 **Late Night Levy - Report Following the End of Year 2**

- 4.1 David Tuitt, presented the report on the Late Night Levy ('Levy'). The Committee noted that the Levy had been operational for two years, having been introduced in November 2017.
- 4.2 It was highlighted that the net revenue is to be split with at least 70% allocated to the Police to be used for late night policing and the remainder 30% (after administration costs and exemptions) to be retained by the Licensing Authority to promote the Licensing objectives.
- 4.3 The Licensing Service recorded £414,010 – total revenue collected for the second year of operation in the 12 month period running from 1st November 2018 -31st October 2019.
- 4.4 Following a brief overview, Cllr Odze raised points of clarity. The first was in relation to the omission of an Appendix 2 which is referred to throughout the report and secondly he believed that it should be clearly specified that 70% of the Levy which is allocated to the Police is after the deduction of expenses.
- 4.5 Butta Singh, Senior Licensing Lawyer confirmed that the split (70% to the Police 30% to the Local Authority) was after expenses. He further explained that this was a legal requirement, however there was some scope for local arrangements to be agreed between the Police and Local Authority regarding how the revenue is spent.
- 4.6 Councillor Snell welcomed the report and queried the practical arrangements in place to distribute revenue from the shared fund via the Levy Board.
- 4.7 David Tuitt, informed the Sub Committee that Home Office guidance suggests local partnerships can move away from the precise 70-30 split if desired. It was confirmed that the Board oversees and manages how the revenue is spent and noted that money is not given directly to the Police.
- 4.8 Councillor Odze, whilst welcoming the report, stated the importance of having an audit trail.
- 4.9 Councillor Moema highlighted the importance of having checks in place to monitor backfilling so that resources are not sucked out of the rest of the Borough from areas that may appear less busy, but may be equally as problematic.
- 4.10 Officers identified the hotspot areas as Hoxton East and Shoreditch and Hoxton West with almost 40% collected in these areas. Followed by Dalston, London Fields and Stoke Newington.
- 4.11 Samantha Mathys, Late Night Levy manager talked the Committee through the recurring expenditure incurred in year 2 which included:
- £414,010 total revenue collected which is relatively consistent with the total collected in year 1
 - £170k MET Police (as agreed with the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime MOPAC) funded additional surge of activity between April – December

- £61,502 Hackney Enforcement Officer Patrols
- £20k Administration and Operational Costs
- £600 Communications
- £23,532 Late Night Levy Manager

4.12 The Committee received a summary of the practical arrangements of the Levy as detailed on pages 17-19 of the agenda pack. These included:

- Balances carried forward from year 1 and 2
- Funding for the additional surge of (non-recurring) activity April-December 2019, mostly within the Shoreditch area
- ‘Operation Lagana’, a 10 week multi agency operation in the Shoreditch area during night time economy hours
- The Hackney Nights-Sexual Harassment Campaign
- The Hackney Nights- Drinkaware Partnership and Christmas Safety Campaign
- The Hackney Nights Portal, giving licensees better access to training information and best practice.
- Hackney Nights Monthly Training Sessions commencing early 2020, giving licensees and their staff a stable offer of training
- Redeployable CCTV, which can be temporarily installed in night time economy areas
- Stoke Newington Pilot Radio Scheme, CCTV radios provided to late night venues where less police presence is felt

4.13 Samantha Mathys highlighted the importance of having a coherent message between the campaigns on the street and within the licensed venues, who are liable to pay the Levy. The importance of information sharing, clear communication streams and multi-agency working to find out information relating to identity checking and counter terrorism was emphasised.

4.14 Looking forward, Samantha Mathys informed the Committee that there would be greater emphasis on where incidents are occurring through enhanced use of CCTV and the Pilot Radio Scheme. In addition, it was noted that the budget for policing has been increased for year 3.

4.15 The Committee heard from Inspector Sam Horton, Night time Economy –Central East BCU of the Police who updated the Committee on “Operation Lagana” which commenced in September 2019. Funded by the MOPAC agreement, this was a multi-agency 10 week operation within the Shoreditch area to gather information and understand trends in order to tackle anti-social behaviour, crime, sexual offences, drug offences and robberies etc. This operation was active only during the times of the night time economy and involved neighbourhood managers, constables, crime squad, council enforcement officers and CCTV operators working together. The operation provided a very visible presence as officers would patrol the streets on foot and speak with bar staff and door staff. This partnership working approach was deemed to be a success and will be continued going forward.

4.16 In reference to the Stoke Newington Pilot Radio Scheme, it was reported that the Late Night Levy Board has agreed proposals to expand the scheme to other night time economy locations which will see it extended to 100 premises throughout the borough (outside of Shoreditch) including areas where there may not be such a visible police presence. In year 3, £41, 700 has been allocated for the extension of the scheme and

£7.180 allocated for the upgrade to a digital network. Licensees will be given a 6 month grace period after which a monthly network subscription will apply. It was noted that approximately 13 premises have signed up to the Pilot Radio Scheme.

- 4.17 In response to a question from Cllr Snell, Inspector Horton gave assurances that initiatives such as the Hackney Nights Portal and the Pilot Radio Scheme would not replace local Pubwatch groups and meetings but would be used alongside them and to encourage attendance and greater participation.
- 4.18 In response to a question from Cllr Smyth relating to safeguarding the vulnerable, Inspector Horton advised that one arm of “Operation Lagana” involves working with vulnerable males and females within the night time economy. Licensees will be trained to identify key signs of abuse, severe intoxication, harassment and conflict. The Committee was informed that The Metropolitan Police Service is working with venues across London to help prevent and reduce sexual violence and vulnerability. By telling customers that they can ‘Ask for Angela’ they are giving them a discreet code word that they can give to staff if they feel unsafe or threatened. Posters making them aware of this will be displayed in toilets. A similar campaign is to be implemented for men. Social media and other networks will be used to publicise this message.
- 4.19 The Committee welcomed the initiatives, and members stressed the importance of a publicity campaign which highlights the initiatives and available materials and aids. It was felt that this would be useful for both licensees and members of the public.
- 4.20 Samantha Mathys advised that a toolkit will be distributed to licensees within the Levy which will contain information on the initiatives and a pledge form to sign up to.
- 4.21 Councillor Emma Plouviez, Chair of the Committee suggested that it would be useful to get feedback from licensees on how useful they have found the toolkits and training on offer. In specific reference to the “Ask Angela” campaign it was noted it would be useful to have some further information on its use within the borough.
- 4.22 Councillor Snell welcomed the positive campaign and raised the issue of working collaboratively with hygiene services as 24 hour toilets were needed within the night time economy. Whilst he commended the work that had been done with pubs and clubs, he felt that greater engagement with off licences was required.
- 4.23 In response to a question relating to the rise in operational costs, Samantha Mathys advised that the administration costs in year 2 did not include her salary, there will also be ongoing obligations with the training and content providers as well as support for the online portal.
- 4.24 Councillor Odze made a point of accuracy in reference to page 16 paragraph 2.4 which reads that *‘Hoxton East, West and Shoreditch continues to be the most prominent late night economy zone with almost 40% of all the late night levy fees collected in those areas combined.* He pointed out that Dalston collects in excess of £10k more in fees than Hoxton West.
- 4.25 In response to a question relating to the Levy fees, David Tuitt informed the Committee that the Levy applies after midnight. The fees starts at £299 for Band A non-domestic rateable value that rises to £4400 annually for a Band E premises subject to a fee ‘multiplier’.

- 4.26 In reference to Policing, it was noted that Tower Hamlets and Hackney had merged in October 2018. Resources are pooled from both boroughs to create a neighbourhood task force. Brick Lane and surrounding area was identified as the main Night Time Economy area within Tower Hamlets. Shoreditch, Dalston and Hackney were the main NTE identified in Hackney.
- 4.27 **RESOLVED** that the Licensing Committee NOTE the Late Night Levy report, following the end of Year 2 and the accompanying appendix.

Duration of the meeting: Times Not Specified

Chairman at the meeting on
Tuesday, 14 January 2020

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UPDATE ON THE LATE NIGHT LEVY	
LICENSING COMMITTEE 18 MARCH 2020	CLASSIFICATION: Open If exempt, the reason will be listed in the main body of this report.
WARD(S) AFFECTED All Wards	
GROUP DIRECTOR, NEIGHBOURHOODS AND HOUSING AJMAN ALI	

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report has been prepared to provide the Licensing Committee with an update on the Late Night Levy (“the Levy”).
- 1.2 In January 2019, the Licensing Committee resolved that the Late Night Levy board and its minutes would be a ‘matters arising’ item on future Licensing Committee meeting agendas where any LNL board meetings have taken place between Licensing Committee Meetings.
- 1.3 At the Licensing Committee meeting on 18 September 2019, the minutes of the Late Night Levy Board that took place on 6 June 2019 were presented to the Committee by way of an update and for noting.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 That the Licensing Committee notes the report and the Appendix.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The late night levy (“the levy”) is a discretionary power, conferred on licensing authorities by provision in Chapter 2 of Part 2 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (“the 2011 Act”). This enables licensing authorities to charge a levy to persons who are licensed to sell alcohol late at night in the authority’s area, as a means of raising a contribution towards the costs of policing the late-night economy.
- 3.2 The Council consulted on the introduction of the Levy from 13 February 2017 until 7 May 2017. And following a recommendation by the Licensing Committee on 21 June 2017, the Council decided to introduce the Levy at its meeting on 26 July 2017. The effective date of the Levy was 1 November 2017.

4. COMMENTS OF THE GROUP DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE RESOURCES

- 4.1 This report has been prepared to provide the Licensing Committee with an update on the Late Night Levy (“the Levy”) and the minutes of the most recent board meeting. There are no financial considerations at this time.

5. COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF LEGAL

- 5.1 This report is solely for noting as such there are no legal matters arising from the report that require comment on at this stage.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Minutes of the Late Night Levy Board held on 5 December 2019

EXEMPT

Not applicable.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Not applicable.

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Minutes of the Late Night Levy Board Meeting

5th December 2019 @ 14:00pm, Hackney Town Hall Room 114

Present:

Cllr Emma Plouviez (EP) – Chair
 Cllr Caroline Selman (CS)
 Robert Gardner (RG)
 Maurice Mason (MM)
 David Tuitt (DT)
 Olga Vandenberg (OV)
 Samantha Mathys (SM)
 Emma Wynne (EW)
 Paul Daly (PD) – Shoreditch Pubwatch
 Paul Merry (PM) - Shoreditch Pubwatch
 Margaret Ryan (MRy) – Stoke Newington Pubwatch
 Jeremy Ledlin (JL) - Dalston Pubwatch.
 Adam Popple (AP) - Hackney Central Pubwatch
 Martin Rolston (MRo) Met Police
 Andy Durrant (AD) Met Police

Apologies

Gerry McCarthy (GC)
 William Knowles-Mofford (WKM) - Shoreditch Pubwatch

<p>1. Chairs Introduction and Round table introductions & Apologies</p> <p>The Chair Cllr EP introduced herself and asked everyone else present to do the same.</p>	<p><i>Action</i></p> <p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>2. Minutes of meeting 6 June 2019 & matters arising</p> <p>Minutes of 5th September 2019 accepted as a true record.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>3. LBH - Late Night Levy Update and Proposals</p> <p><u>Update</u> LBH soft launched the new Night Time Safety Charter, Hackney Nights and the sexual harassment campaign (#reframethenight) at the borough wide pubwatch.</p> <p>The Hackney Nights portal for licensees presented at the last meeting is currently undergoing the final checks of the procurement process. Launch date estimated for early 2020.</p> <p>The Hackney Nights best practice scheme will be launching as a phase 2 of the portal in Spring 2020. The scheme will bring together all the relevant responsible authorities to set a list of criteria based</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>

<p>on different premises models and will include bars, pubs, night clubs and late night off licenses.</p> <p>Hackney Nights Training Sessions to start to take place for licensees January 2020. The idea is to have a stable offer of monthly training for licensees and their staff at all times.</p> <p>The two CCTV re-deployable cameras have arrived, requests for deployments can be sent to Samantha Mathys for approval. These cameras were funded by the levy and are reserved for NTE use only.</p> <p><u>Financial Overview</u></p> <p>SM gave an overview of the financials for Year 2 and added that an end of year report with this information will be published on January 6th and presented at the next Licensing committee on January 14th.</p> <p>By the end of Year 3, we will have a balance carried over from year 1 & 2 of approximately £19K and £42K for year 3 which will be allocated for contingencies as well as new and ongoing projects.</p> <p><u>Proposals</u></p> <p>SM introduced LBH proposals totalling £305,880 which were agreed by the board.</p> <p>These proposals include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An increase in the police budget of £200K for year 3 and 4. 2. Extension of the pilot radio scheme to 100 additional premises in the borough as well as upgrading the entire system to digital (£48,880) 3. An additional £20K for Hackney Nights public awareness campaigns. 4. A part time support and outreach officer which will assist the LNL Manager with the best practice scheme and licensee portal. 5. £5K allocated to a urinal consultation and signage in hot spot public urination areas. <p>AP asked about the eligibility requirements for the radio scheme and what criteria we would use.</p> <p>SM specified that these would be offered to areas outside Shoreditch and would be rolled out by ward. She also stated that the 100 was determined based on analysis of the LNL Premises and pilot scheme and that we could always consider expanding that number based on take up in the next months. An update on the scheme will be provided at the next board meeting.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p> <p><i>Noted</i></p>
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<p>4. Police, update and options.</p> <p>Police Update</p> <p>MRO gave a presentation on Op Lagana, a multi-agency proactive operation targeting nominals in the Shoreditch area who are largely responsible for ASB, Robbery, Theft and Violence. The Operation came about after the last board meeting to increase the presence in the NTE areas and has been in effect since Sept 2019.</p> <p>Some of the issues Lagana has been focused on are gangs of Males loitering near ATM machines, club entrances and smoking areas to target vulnerable people. These nominals offer Nitrous Oxide balloons for sale which are then littered around the streets costing the Local Authority thousands of pounds a year to clear up. They also pretend to assist people at cashpoints whilst observing them as they enter their PIN number. These individuals then get escorted away and often robbed of their belongings.</p> <p>The operation's intention is to identify, deter and disrupt these individuals issuing them with dispersals, CPWs and CPNs to ban them from the area. It is also to work with licensed venues in the area to identify these individuals, increasing confidence in the Police and protecting vulnerable victims and to reassure the residents of the Shoreditch NTE area.</p> <p>So far the operation has seen 122 arrests, 429 stop and searches, 209 dispersals, 400 licensed premises visits, 108 Cads attended and over £24K in fines.</p> <p>SM and MRO presented the framework for the NTE strategy based on prevention, understanding and enforcement initiatives the Levy is supporting.</p> <p>SM presented the partnership tasking work process and explained how LBH and the Police work together.</p> <p>CS asked if we have methods in place to capture data and trends in order to look at the final impact of Lagana.</p> <p>MRO added that special attention needed to be taken in looking at the crime stats and data, as previously to Lagana perhaps some of the trends were unreported or unaddressed and that it is possible a rise could be misread in certain crimes stats.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p> <p><i>Noted</i></p> <p><i>Noted</i></p> <p><i>Noted</i></p>

<p>SM added that we do have an intelligence hub in the council to monitor trends and crime patterns.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>5. Pubwatch representative options and observations</p>	
<p><u>Dalston Pubwatch</u></p>	
<p>JL asked where the funds collected during the NTE joint operations between police and enforcement officers.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>RG clarified that these funds do not go into the LNL fund directly and are reintroduced into the service. He also clarified that the amount fined is higher than the amount we collect and that the money generated goes towards covering staffing costs and deployments. Also, if the fines are paid early there is a discount applied and there are some fines issued where fees are never collected and remain unpaid.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>PM suggested we use the funds collected by the public urination fixed penalty notices to cover signage costs to warn against public urination.</p>	<p><i>Noted SM to look into feasibility</i></p>
<p>JL also wanted to add how great it was to see the support for the recent Police operations at the borough wide pubwatch the previous week.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>JL added how the licensees want to support a continued presence with Op Lagana.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>JL also added that with the heightened presence he has not yet seen any crime/asb displacement towards Dalston.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>Stoke Newington</p>	
<p>MRy added that her members were very happy with the borough wide pubwatch and extremely happy with council officers.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>She added that one thing that was brought to her attention was the frustration that late night refreshment premises were not required to pay into the levy when sometimes they do add to the ASB and disorder outside of licensed premises.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>
<p>DT added that at the moment there is no power to authorise us to apply a levy to food based late night premises. The Home Office have introduced legislation to start allowing these powers however they only entered consultation period last year with local authorities and with everything happening in government lately, it has been held up.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>

<p>Hackney Central PW AP stated that his pubwatch group is still very fresh but mainly the issues are around persistent begging on Mare Street. The previous instructions were to contact enforcement but he added that this is hard to do without the radio link. Now, with the radio scheme hopefully it will improve and licensees will welcome this initiative.</p> <p>Shoreditch PW PM would like to extend thanks from the Shoreditch members for making the area much safer.</p> <p>PM added that the only complaint he had from members was that they did not think it was fair to extend training to non-Levy payers and that it should be exclusive to late night premises.</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p> <p><i>Noted</i></p> <p><i>SM to look into</i></p>
<p>6. AOB</p>	
<p>N/A</p>	
<p>7. Date of Next Meeting.</p> <p>The next meeting is Thursday 12th March at Hackney Town Hall in room 44 at 2pm</p> <p>Following Meeting:</p> <p>Thursday June 4th 2020 @ 2pm in Room 44, Hackney Town Hall</p>	<p><i>Noted</i></p>

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