Hackney

London Borough of Hackney – Decisions taken by the Licensing Sub Committee E on Thursday 13 October 2022

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Part A – Items considered in public

5	Variation of Premises Licence: King of Falafel, 297 Old Street, EC1V 9LA	RESOLVED
		The 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; and The protection of children from harm,
		the application to vary a premises licence has been approved in accordance with the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the proposed conditions set out in paragraph 8.1 of the report, with the following amendments:
		The Licensing Sub-committee granted the following hours of licensable activity:
		Late Night Refreshment
		Sunday - Wednesday 23:00 - 00:00 Thursday - Saturday 23:00 - 01:00
		Opening Hours:

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Sunday10:00 - 00:30Monday - Wednesday08:00 - 00:30Thursday - Saturday08:00 - 01:30
Non-standard hours shall be removed from the premises licence.
Condition 12 amended to read as follows:
"12. All tables and chairs shall be rendered unusable after 23:00 hours each night. All food orders after 23:00 hours shall be for takeaway only".
Condition 13 amended to read as follows:
" 13. After 23:00 hrs there shall be a maximum of 8 customers in the shop at any one time. This shall be monitored by at least one staff/door supervisor".
Condition 14 amended to read as follows:
"An SIA Licensed Door Supervisor shall be on duty at the premises from 23.00 to 15 minutes after close on Friday, Saturday & Bank Holiday Sundays. The Door Supervisor shall clearly display their SIA Licence while on duty at the premises. The Door Supervisor must record details of their employment at the premises in the relevant section of the Incident Book including, name and full SIA Licence Number, phone number, dates and times of attendance, signature, and if employed by a Security Company the name & phone number of the Company".
And the following additional conditions:

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		 Food deliveries are not permitted. Pre-orders and collection only.
		 A minimum of three members of staff shall be on duty Friday and Saturday evenings after 23.00.
		Reasons for the decision
		The application to vary a premises licence has been approved, because members of the Licensing Sub-committee were satisfied that the licensing objectives would not be undermined within the Shoreditch Special Policy Area (Shoreditch SPA).
		The Sub-committee took into account that the Metropolitan Police Service ("the Police") and the Licensing Authority raised objections to the application in addition there were 2 objections raised by Other Persons (local residents). The Sub-committee noted that the Police concerns related to a previous owner of the premises. The Sub-committee took into consideration that there were reports that the Applicant had not complied with the conditions on their licence and had operated over their permitted operating hours.
		The Sub-committee took into consideration the representations made by the Licensing Authority, and their concerns about the impact on the Shoreditch SPA which was affected by a rise in public nuisance and anti-social behaviour. The Sub-committee also took into consideration that the premises is located in the Shoreditch SPA and therefore it is subject to policy LP10.
		The Sub-committee heard the representations made by the Licensing Authority, and their concerns about deliveries in a busy part of Shoreditch SPA, and how it will impact on local residents who live close to the premises. The Sub-committee took into consideration that the Licensing Authority wanted a condition for no deliveries because it is on a red route. The

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		Applicant would have to come back with another application to the Sub-committee for approval if they want to operate with deliveries.
		The Sub-committee heard that the Applicant had a petition from local workers and local people in support of the application. The Sub-committee heard that there was a demand in the area, and by having the premises open later would ensure that they serve all of their customers.
		The Sub-committee heard submissions from the Applicant that they have been operating as a business for the last 5 years and that they offered a dispersal policy, reduced hours to 01:00, and SIA door security until 15 minutes after the premises closes to check and monitor the area. The Sub-committee heard that the SIA door security will stop people from queuing and loitering outside the premises. In addition the Applicant agreed not to allow any more than 8 people at any one time to prevent queues in the narrow and busy area.
		The Sub-committee took into account that the Applicant agreed to conditions for no deliveries, and no dining after 23:00, that there will be a minimum of 3 staff at the premises to ensure there was a quick turnaround of customers. The Sub-committee took into account that the Applicant agreed to end service 15 minutes before closing each day to prevent added disturbance by having no extraction fan noise, and considering the narrowness of the pavement.
		The Sub-committee took into consideration that the reduced hours Thursday to Saturday went a long way to alleviate concerns of the Licensing Authority and the Police, and this would help the Applicant demonstrate that they were a responsible operator. The Sub-committee felt that the Applicant demonstrated that they were a responsible operator because they had experience of operating other premises in the London area.
		The Sub-committee after hearing from the Applicant and the Licensing Authority were satisfied

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		 that the premises would not add to the cumulative impact in the Shoreditch SPA. The Sub-committee took into consideration the nature of the business that it was a food led premises where no alcohol will be served. The Sub-committee also took into consideration the conditions agreed with the Responsible Authorities that would help overcome any negative impact in the Shoreditch SPA. Having taken all of the above factors into consideration, the Sub-committee were satisfied that by granting this variation to the premises licence, that the licensing objectives would continue to be promoted within the Shoreditch SPA.
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