

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE E

Tuesday 16th February 2021 at 2:00pm

Under the current national emergency arrangements, this meeting will be held remotely. The meeting will be streamed live on Youtube and can be viewed here:

https://youtu.be/rg9CAiNHWlw

Members of the Committee:

Councillor Peter Snell Councillor Brian Bell

Tim Shields - Chief Executive

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The Press and Public are welcome to observe this meeting

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AGENDA

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Election of Chair
- 2. Apologies for Absence
- 3. Declarations of Interest Members to declare as appropriate

A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest or a prejudicial interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered:

- must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when or when the interest becomes apparent, and
- may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting proceedings in person or virtually.

A Member who discloses at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary interest which is not registered in the Register of Members Interests or the subject of a pending notification must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the disclosure. Disclosable pecuniary interests, personal interests and prejudicial interests are defined at paragraphs 8.1 - 15.2 of Section 2 of Part 5 of the constitution and Appendix A of the Members' Code of Conduct.

- 4. Licensing Sub Committee Hearing Procedure (type A)
- 5. Application for a premises licence: Weezy Fulfilment Centre, Arch 384, Mentmore Terrace E8 3PH
- 6. Temporary Events Notice

RIGHTS OF PRESS AND PUBLIC TO REPORT ON MEETINGS

Where a meeting of the Council and its committees are open to the public, the press and public are welcome to report on meetings of the Council and its committees, through any audio, visual or written methods and may use digital and social media providing they do not disturb the conduct of the meeting and providing that the person reporting or providing the commentary is present at the meeting.

Those wishing to film, photograph or audio record a meeting are asked to notify the Council's Monitoring Officer by noon on the day of the meeting, if possible, or any time prior to the start of the meeting or notify the Chair at the start of the meeting.

The Monitoring Officer, or the Chair of the meeting, may designate a set area from which all recording must take place at a meeting.

The Council will endeavour to provide reasonable space and seating to view, hear and record the meeting. If those intending to record a meeting require any other reasonable facilities, notice should be given to the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting and will only be provided if practicable to do so.

The Chair shall have discretion to regulate the behaviour of all those present recording a meeting in the interests of the efficient conduct of the meeting. Anyone acting in a disruptive manner may be required by the Chair to cease recording or may be excluded from the meeting. Disruptive behaviour may include: moving from any designated recording area; causing excessive noise; intrusive lighting; interrupting the meeting; or filming members of the public who have asked not to be filmed.

All those visually recording a meeting are requested to only focus on recording councillors, officers and the public who are directly involved in the conduct of the meeting. The Chair of the meeting will ask any members of the public present if they have objections to being visually recorded. Those visually recording a meeting are asked to respect the wishes of those who do not wish to be filmed or photographed. Failure by someone recording a meeting to respect the wishes of those who do not wish to be filmed and photographed may result in the Chair instructing them to cease recording or in their exclusion from the meeting.

If a meeting passes a motion to exclude the press and public then in order to consider

confidential or exempt information, all recording must cease and all recording equipment must be removed from the meeting. The press and public are not permitted to use any means which might enable them to see or hear the proceedings whilst they are excluded from a meeting and confidential or exempt information is under consideration.

Providing oral commentary during a meeting is not permitted.

ADVICE TO MEMBERS ON DECLARING INTERESTS

Hackney Council's Code of Conduct applies to <u>all</u> Members of the Council, the Mayor and co-opted Members.

This note is intended to provide general guidance for Members on declaring interests. However, you may need to obtain specific advice on whether you have an interest in a particular matter. If you need advice, you can contact:

- Interim Director of Legal;
- The Legal Adviser to the committee; or
- Governance Services.

If at all possible, you should try to identify any potential interest you may have before the meeting so that you and the person you ask for advice can fully consider all the circumstances before reaching a conclusion on what action you should take.

You will have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter if it:

- relates to an interest that you have already registered in Parts A and C of the Register of Pecuniary Interests of you or your spouse/civil partner, or anyone living with you as if they were your spouse/civil partner;
- ii. relates to an interest that should be registered in Parts A and C of the Register of Pecuniary Interests of your spouse/civil partner, or anyone living with you as if they were your spouse/civil partner, but you have not yet done so; or
- iii. affects your well-being or financial position or that of your spouse/civil partner, or anyone living with you as if they were your spouse/civil partner.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest in an item on the agenda you must:

- i. Declare the existence and <u>nature</u> of the interest (in relation to the relevant agenda item) as soon as it becomes apparent to you (subject to the rules regarding sensitive interests).
- ii. You must leave the meeting when the item in which you have an interest is being

- discussed. You cannot stay in the meeting whilst discussion of the item takes place and you cannot vote on the matter. In addition, you must not seek to improperly influence the decision.
- iii. If you have, however, obtained dispensation from the Monitoring Officer or Standards Committee you may remain in the meeting and participate in the meeting. If dispensation has been granted it will stipulate the extent of your involvement, such as whether you can only be present to make representations, provide evidence or whether you are able to fully participate and vote on the matter in which you have a pecuniary interest.

Do you have any other non-pecuniary interest on any matter on the agenda which is being considered at the meeting?

You will have 'other non-pecuniary interest' in a matter if:

- i. It relates to an external body that you have been appointed to as a Member or in another capacity; or
- ii. It relates to an organisation or individual which you have actively engaged in supporting.

If you have other non-pecuniary interest in an item on the agenda you must:

- i. Declare the existence and <u>nature</u> of the interest (in relation to the relevant agenda item) as soon as it becomes apparent to you.
- ii. You may remain in the meeting, participate in any discussion or vote provided that contractual, financial, consent, permission or licence matters are not under consideration relating to the item in which you have an interest.
- iii. If you have an interest in a contractual, financial, consent, permission or licence matter under consideration, you must leave the meeting unless you have obtained a dispensation from the Monitoring Officer or Standards Committee. You cannot stay in the meeting whilst discussion of the item takes place and you cannot vote on the matter. In addition, you must not seek to improperly influence the decision. Where members of the public are allowed to make representations, or to give evidence or answer questions about the matter you may, with the permission of the meeting, speak on a matter then leave the meeting. Once you have finished making your representation, you must leave the meeting whilst the matter is being discussed.
- iv. If you have been granted dispensation, in accordance with the Council's

dispensation procedure you may remain in the meeting. If dispensation has been granted it will stipulate the extent of your involvement, such as whether you can only be present to make representations, provide evidence or whether you are able to fully participate and vote on the matter in which you have a non pecuniary interest.

Further Information

Advice can be obtained from Dawn Carter-McDonald, Director for Legal & Governance Services (Acting), via email dawn.carter-mcdonal@hackney.gov.uk

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Relevant Extracts from Hackney's Statement of Licensing PolicyPlease find below relevant extracts from the Statement of Licensing Policy 2018.

LP1 General Principles

The Council expects applicants to demonstrate:

- (a) That they have an understanding of the nature of the locality in which the premises are located and that this is has been taken into consideration whilst preparing the operating schedule.
- (b) Where the application is for evening and night-time activity, that the proposal reflects the Council's aspiration to diversify the offer, whilst at the same time promoting the licensing objectives.

LP2 Licensing Objectives

Prevention of Crime and Disorder Whether the proposal includes satisfactory measures to mitigate any risk of the proposed operation making an unacceptable contribution to levels of crime and disorder in the locality. Public Safety

Whether the necessary and satisfactory risk assessments have been undertaken, the management procedures put in place and the relevant certification produced to demonstrate that the public will be kept safe both within and in close proximity to the premises.

Prevention of Public Nuisance

Whether the applicant has addressed the potential for nuisance arising from the characteristics and style of the proposed activity and identified the appropriate steps to reduce the risk of public nuisance occurring.

Protection of Children from Harm

Whether the applicant has identified and addressed any risks with the aim of protecting children from harm when on the premises or in close proximity to the premises.

LP3 Core Hours

Hours for licensable activity will generally be authorised, subject to demonstrating LP 1 and LP2, as follows:

- Monday to Thursday 08:00 to 23:00
- Friday and Saturday 08:00 to 00:00
- Sunday 10:00 to 22:3LP4 Off' Sales of Alcohol

Hours for the supply of alcohol will generally be restricted to between 08:00 and 23:00.

LP5 Planning Status

Licence applications should normally be from premises where:
(a) The activity to be authorised by the licence is a lawful planning use or is a deemed permitted development pursuant to the General Permitted Development Order (1995) as amended. (b) The hours sought do not

exceed those authorised by any planning permission.

The Licensing Authority may take into account the lack of planning permission or an established lawful use in deciding whether there is likely to be any harm to the licensing objectives.

LP6 External Areas and Outdoor Events

The Licensing Authority will normally restrict external areas and outdoor activity to between 08:00 and 22:00 unless the applicant can demonstrate that comprehensive control measures have been implemented that ensure the promotion of the licensing objectives, in particular the public nuisance objective. Notwithstanding any proposed control measures, the Licensing Authority may restrict the hours and/or activity even further

LP7 Minor Variations

The Council expects applications to be made in the following circumstances only:

- Small changes in the layout/structure of the premises
- The addition of voluntary/agreed conditions
- Removal of conditions that are dated and have no impact on the

operation of the premises

Reduction of hours for any licensable activity

LP8 Temporary Event Notices

When considering an objection to a TEN the Council will:

- Expect that any existing conditions will be maintained (where relevant) in circumstances where an event is to take place at a premises that has an existing authorisation. Hours may be more restrictive dependent on the character of the area and if the individual circumstances require it. Later hours may be considered where the applicant has identified any risk that may undermine the promotion of the licensing objectives and has put in place robust measures to mitigate those risks. It should be noted that this policy does not apply to those who are making an application within a special policy area (see section 3) unless they have been able to demonstrate that the proposed activity or operation of the premises will not add to the cumulative impact that is already being experienced.
- Assess any history of complaints as a result of licensable activity that may or may not have been authorised by a TEN.
- Consider the track record of the premises user
- Consider any other control measures proposed to mitigate the objection

LP9 Personal Licences

- (a) The Council will consider whether a refusal of the licence is appropriate for the promotion of the crime prevention objective and will consider the:
- (i) Seriousness and relevance of any conviction(s) (ii) The period that has elapsed since committing the offence(s) (iii) Any mitigating circumstances that assist in demonstrating that the crime prevention objective will not be undermined.

LP10 Special Policy Areas – Dalston and Shoreditch

It is the Council's policy that where a relevant representation is made to any application within the area of the Dalston SPA or Shoreditch SPA, the applicant will need to demonstrate that the proposed activity and the operation of the premises will not add to the cumulative impact that is currently being experienced in these areas. This policy is to be strictly applied.

It should also be noted that the:

- quality and track record of the management;
- good character of the applicant;
 and
- extent of any variation sought

May not be in itself sufficient. It should be noted that if an applicant can demonstrate that they will not add to the cumulative impact in their operating schedule and at any hearing, then the Core Hours Policy within LP3 will apply.

LP11 Cumulative Impact – General

The Council will give due regard to any relevant representations received where concerns are raised and supported around the negative cumulative impact the proposed application has on one or more of the licensing objectives.