

Licensing Sub-Committee

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Licensing Sub-Committee held on Wednesday 4 September 2019 at 10.00 am at Ground Floor Meeting Room G02C - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

PRESENT: Councillor Renata Hamvas (Chair)
Councillor Barrie Hargrove
Councillor Adele Morris

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor William Hougbo, ward councillor

OFFICER SUPPORT: Dorcas Mills, licensing officer
Debra Allday, legal officer
Andrew Weir, constitutional officer

1. APOLOGIES

There were none.

2. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING MEMBERS

The members present were confirmed as the voting members.

3. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

There were none.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

5. LICENSING ACT 2003: 10 UNION STREET, 10-18 UNION STREET, LONDON SE1 1SZ

It was noted that this item had been deferred to 10 October 2019 at the request of the applicant.

6. LICENSING ACT 2003: OPS WINES, 108 DRUID STREET LONDON SE1 2HH

The licensing officer presented their report. They advised that the applicant had conciliated with the responsible authorities and had spoken to the ward councillor objecting to the application on the telephone, immediately prior to the meeting. They advised that the applicant would not be in attendance.

The ward councillor objecting to the application addressed the sub-committee. Members had questions for the ward councillor.

The ward councillor was given five minutes for summing up.

The meeting adjourned at 10.19am for the sub-committee to consider its decision.

The meeting reconvened at 10.22pm and the chair advised all parties of the decision.

RESOLVED:

Decision

That the application made by Ops Wine Limited Limited) for a premises licence to be granted under Section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of the premises known as Ops Wines, 108 Druid Street, London SE1 2HH be granted as follows:

Sale of alcohol to be consumed on the premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friday 16:00 to 21:30• Saturday 10:00 to 21:30• Sunday: 10:00 to 15:30
Opening hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friday: 16:00 to 22:00• Saturday: 10:00 to 22:00• Sunday: 10:00 to 16:00

Conditions

The operation of the premises under the licence shall be subject to relevant mandatory conditions, any conditions derived from the operating schedule in Section M of the application form and conditions conciliated with the responsible authorities during conciliation.

Reasons

The licensing officer informed the licensing sub-committee that the applicant was unable to attend the meeting and therefore, the members considered the application on the papers submitted.

The licensing sub-committee noted that all of the responsible authorities had withdrawn their representations as they had conciliated with the applicant.

The licensing sub-committee then heard from the ward councillor who objected on the grounds that the Druid Street area was already saturated with similar businesses and as a result noise nuisance is a major consequence of the boom of the brewery industry which was expanding on Druid Street.

The licensing sub-committee were reminded of the generally consistent operating hours there were in place for the premises along Druid Street, in addition to the patron's use of the outside areas. The responsible authorities had all conciliated with the applicant with strict controls in place.

During the course of discussion in the meeting, the members accepted that the Druid Street had become saturated with micro breweries in recent years. The full licensing committee had considered introducing a cumulative impact policy area in November 2018, but the Druid Street area simply did not meet the threshold required under the Licensing Act 2003. Measures were slowly being put in place, for example, the employment of street marshalls and the Bermondsey Market and Makers Organisation, which the applicant is strongly recommended to join and be a part of it. It is also recommended that the applicant does not use single use plastic material within the premises.

In reaching this decision the sub-committee had regard to all the relevant considerations and the four licensing objectives and considered that this decision was appropriate and proportionate.

Appeal rights

The applicant may appeal against any decision:

- a) To impose conditions on the licence
- b) To exclude a licensable activity or refuse to specify a person as premises supervisor.

Any person who made relevant representations in relation to the application who desire to contend that:

- a) The licence ought not to be been granted; or
- b) That on granting the licence, the licensing authority ought to have imposed different or additional conditions to the licence, or ought to have modified them in a different way

may appeal against the decision.

Any appeal must be made to the Magistrates' Court for the area in which the premises are situated. Any appeal must be commenced by notice of appeal given by the appellant to the justices' clerk for the Magistrates' Court within the period of 21 days beginning with the day on which the appellant was notified by the licensing authority of the decision appealed against.

The meeting ended at 10.24am.

CHAIR:

DATED: