

## **Licensing Committee**

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Licensing Committee held on Tuesday 13 December 2011 at 7.00 pm at Ground Floor Meeting Room G02A - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

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**PRESENT:** Councillor Sunil Chopra (Chair)  
Councillor Linda Manchester  
Councillor Robin Crookshank Hilton  
Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle  
Councillor Dan Garfield  
Councillor Renata Hamvas  
Councillor David Hubber  
Councillor Eliza Mann  
Councillor Adele Morris  
Councillor the Right Revd Emmanuel Oyewole  
Councillor Althea Smith

**OFFICER SUPPORT:** Richard Parkins, health safety licensing and environmental protection unit manager  
John McHenry, markets development manager  
David Perry, legal officer  
Andrew Weir, constitutional officer

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ian Wingfield, Michael Bukola, Norma Gibbes and Michael Mitchell. Apologies for lateness were received from Councillors The Right Reverend Emmanuel Oyewole, Adele Morris and Eliza Mann.

### **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**

##### **Item 7. The review of the extension of pitches designation of North Cross Road**

Councillor Crookshank Hilton, personal and non prejudicial, had expressed an opinion regarding Santa Claus attending North Cross Road during the Christmas period.

#### **5. MINUTES FROM THE LICENSING COMMITTEE**

##### **RESOLVED:**

That the open minutes of the committee meeting held on 26 July 2011 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair subject to one change.

It was noted that Councillor The Right Reverend Emmanuel Oyewole had been present for item 7, The Licensing Act 2003 – Three year review of statement of licensing policy.

#### **6. MINUTES FROM THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES**

##### **RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the open sections of the meetings held on 8 August 2011, 31 August 2011, 14 September 2011, 25 October 2011, 26 October 2011, 14 November 2011 and 17 November 2011 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair.

#### **7. THE REVIEW OF THE EXTENSION OF PITCHES DESIGNATION OF NORTH CROSS ROAD**

John McHenry, markets development manager, presented his report and updated the sub-committee with regard to the details on the review of the extension of pitches designation and the experimental road closure. Members had questions.

The street markets development manager advised that he would bring a future report to the licensing committee to look at the possibility of a Sunday market also.

Members asked that officers could ensure that all the market stalls faced the same way in order to improve the organisation of the stalls.

##### **RESOLVED:**

1. That the committee noted the details of the review of the extension of pitches designation and experimental road closure.
2. That the committee noted that no further variation of the designation is required following the review.
3. That the committee supported the extension of the Saturday experimental road

closure at the junction with Lordship Lane for a further period of 12 months, and then permanently if no further objections.

4. That the committee noted an application to extend parking restrictions on Saturdays to ensure no parking on pitches during market hours.

## **8. RESCISSION OR VARIATION OF LICENCE STREET DESIGNATIONS IN SOUTHWARK**

John McHenry, markets development manager, presented his report. Members had questions.

Members also raised a number of matters regarding stall pitches.

Councillor Morris asked that a flower stall pitch on Borough High Street be rescinded or be put to use. The markets development manager advised that this and any other rescissions would have to be brought back to the committee at a later date.

Councillor Morris also asked officers to stop the Slug and Lettuce bar of spreading out onto the pitch beside the bar on Borough High Street. Additionally Councillor Morris asked officers to look into Igloo flowers trading in place of the green grocers in the Joiner Street area. The markets development manager confirmed that he would look into these matters.

Councillor Smith raised a matter regarding new pitches on Rye Lane. Members felt that these pitches may make it difficult for residents to escape their homes in an emergency. The markets development manager advised that he would look into this and that a further risk assessment would be carried out.

### **RESOLVED:**

That the committee resolved to rescind or vary the licence street designations detailed in Appendix 1.

## **9. POLICE AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT 2011**

The committee received a verbal update from Richard Parkins, health safety licensing and environmental protection unit manager. Members had questions.

Councillor Manchester suggested that members of the committee could go out with officers to observe the processes of dealing with night time trading and street markets. The health safety licensing and environmental protection unit manager advised that he would be happy to arrange this for members who wished to do this.

### **RESOLVED:**

That the sub-committee noted the verbal update.

## **10. LIVE MUSIC BILL**

The committee received a verbal update from Richard Parkins, health safety licensing and environmental protection unit manager. Members had questions.

**RESOLVED:**

That the sub-committee noted the verbal update.

**11. DEPARTMENT FOR CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT LICENSING ACT 2003  
DEREGULATION PROPOSALS**

The committee received a verbal update from Richard Parkins, health safety licensing and environmental protection unit manager. Members had questions and raised their concerns regarding the deregulation proposals.

**RESOLVED:**

That the sub-committee noted the verbal update.

**12. CUMULATIVE IMPACT**

The committee received a verbal update from Richard Parkins, health safety licensing and environmental protection unit manager. Members had questions.

The health safety licensing and environmental protection unit manager advised that due to a change in reporting periods, an annual report would be brought to the committee.

**RESOLVED:**

That the sub-committee noted the verbal update.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm.

**CHAIR:**

**DATED:**