

Licensing Committee

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Licensing Committee held on Tuesday 15 March 2011 at 7.00 pm at Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB

PRESENT: Councillor Lorraine Lauder MBE (Chair)
Councillor Sunil Chopra
Councillor Robin Crookshank Hilton
Councillor Dan Garfield
Councillor Norma Gibbes
Councillor Jeff Hook
Councillor David Hubber
Councillor Eliza Mann
Councillor Michael Mitchell
Councillor the Right Revd Emmanuel Oyewole
Councillor Althea Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: John McHenry, Markets Development Manager
Richard Parkins, Health Safety Licensing & Environmental Protection Unit Manager

OFFICER SUPPORT: Felix Rechtman, Legal Officer
Sean Usher, Constitutional Team

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Wilma Nelson, Ian Wingfield, Catherine Bowman and Darren Merrill.

2. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING MEMBERS

The members listed above 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

Councillor Robin Crookshank-Hilton declared a non prejudicial interest in item 9 as she was at the Dulwich Community Council meeting on 9 February 2011.

Councillor Michael Mitchell declared a non prejudicial interest in item 9 as he was at the Dulwich Community Council meeting on 9 February 2011.

5. MINUTES FROM THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED:

That the open minutes of the committee meeting held on 6 January 2011 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair.

6. MINUTES FROM THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the open sections of the meetings held on 20 December 2010, 12 January 2011, 7 February 2011 and 28 February 2011 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair.

7. THE LICENSING ACT 2003 - CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL SATURATION POLICIES DEALING WITH THE "CUMULATIVE IMPACT" OF LICENSED PREMISES - BOROUGH AND BANKSIDE, CAMBERWELL AND PECKHAM AREAS

The officer presented his report and discussed the statistics in all three saturation areas. Members had questions.

RESOLVED:

1. That the committee agreed, that on the basis of the partnership analytical report and the report from the environmental protection team, it is appropriate and necessary to maintain the existing saturation policies in
 - a) Camberwell; and
 - b) Peckham.
2. That the committee agreed, that on the basis of the partnership analytical report; the report from the environmental protection team; and the response from the local consultation, it is appropriate and necessary to recommend to council assembly the extension of the western boundary of the Borough and Bankside saturation area to take in The Cut and Isabella Street.
3. That the committee agreed to recommend an extension of the Borough and Bankside saturation area to council assembly, the committee confirmed the new proposed boundary as that set out in appendix 2 of the report and the classes of premises to be incorporated as set out in paragraph 27.

8. THE LICENSING ACT 2003 - CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL SATURATION POLICIES DEALING WITH THE "CUMULATIVE IMPACT" OF LICENSED PREMISES - ELEPHANT & CASTLE; OLD KENT ROAD CORRIDOR (NORTH & SOUTH); AND WALWORTH ROAD/EAST STREET AREAS

The licensing officer presented the statistics on the three areas being monitored. Members had questions. The officer stated that the statistical evidence did not support the monitoring of Shad Thames at this time.

RESOLVED:

1. That the committee agreed that on the basis of the partnership analytical report and the report from the environmental protection team, the following areas remain under ongoing monitor:
 - a) The Elephant & Castle;
 - b) The Old Kent Road; and
 - c) The Walworth Road / East Street.
2. That the committee agreed that the Elephant & Castle area under monitor be extended northward to run flush with the current Borough and Bankside zone.

9. THE EXTENSION OF PITCHES: DESIGNATION OF NORTHCROSS ROAD

The officer presented his report. Members had questions.

After the discussion the chair moved to the vote on the recommendations as set out in the report, the outcome of which was the recommendation as stated were not carried.

The meeting then adjourned for 5 minutes for the chair to take legal and constitutional advice.

At the end of the 5 minute adjournment, the chair invited the committee to vote on an amended recommendation including a new recommendation (9.6) regarding further consultation on Sunday trading.

RESOLVED:

1. That the committee resolved to vary the designation of North Cross Road as a license street to extend the number of pitches from twenty (20) to thirty (30), with effect from 1 May 2011.
2. That the committee resolved to defer the designation of North Cross Road as a license street on Sunday.
3. That the Committee limited the number of pitches Monday to Thursday to ten (10).
4. That following the marking up and allocation of pitches, licensed traders are not required to occupy their pitch until 9am on Saturday.
5. That the Committee agreed to a further review of these arrangements after 6 months of operation.
6. That at the end of the 6 month period a further consultation should take place on a Sunday trading pilot scheme at the Lordship Lane end of Northcross Road.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

CHAIR:

DATED: