

Licensing Sub-Committee

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Licensing Sub-Committee held on Wednesday 25 May 2011 at 10.00 am at Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB

PRESENT:	Councillor Sunil Chopra (Chair) Councillor Wilma Nelson Councillor Catherine Bowman
OTHERS PRESENT:	Mr Ian Gough, licensee PC Ian Clements
OFFICER SUPPORT:	Dorcas Mills, licensing officer Roy Fielding, licensing officer Felix Rechtman, legal officer Caroline Hayward, legal officer Paula Thornton, constitutional officer

CONFIRMATION OF CHAIR

The constitutional officer informed the meeting that Councillor Sunil Chopra had been appointed Chair of the Licensing Committee for the municipal year 2011/12 at Council Assembly on 24 May 2011 and would chair this meeting of the licensing sub-committee.

1. APOLOGIES

There were none.

2. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING MEMBERS

The three members present were confirmed as 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 - GLENGALL TAVERN, 1 BIRD IN BUSH ROAD, LONDON SE15 6RN

The licensing officer presented her report.

The police presented their application for a review of the premises. Members had questions.

The licensee of the premises addressed the sub-committee. Members had questions for the licensee.

All parties were given five minutes to sum up.

At 11.15am the meeting went into closed session to discuss the application.

At 11.50am the meeting resumed and the chair read out the following decision:

RESOLVED:

The council's licensing sub-committee, having had regard to the application made by the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis under Section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003 for a review of the premises issued to Mr Ian Gough in respect of the premises known as Glengall Tavern, situated at 1 Bird in Bush Road, London SE15 6RN, has decided it necessary to take the following steps for the promotion of the licensing objectives:

1. Remove the current designated premises supervisor (DPS) Mr Ian Gough.
2. Add the following conditions to the licence:
 - 2.1. That there be a personal licence holder on the premises at all times when licensed activities are undertaken.
 - 2.2. That there be at least one Security Industry Association (SIA) approved door staff on the premises after 10.00pm until close on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Reasons

The reasons for the decision are as follows:

The licensing sub-committee heard representations from the Police and the licensee, Mr Gough.

The sub-committee found the premises had been mismanaged by Mr Gough and Mr Allen which resulted in large quantities of cannabis being stored at the premises. The sub-committee found this incident to be a very serious one which had a significant adverse impact on the prevention of the crime objective in the Licensing Act, regardless of whether Mr Gough or Mr Allen were aware of stored cannabis.

In the circumstances, the sub-committee found it necessary to remove Mr Gough from being the designated premises supervisor (DPS) and further found it necessary to add a

condition to the licence that a personal licence holder be present at all times when licensable activities are undertaken.

The sub-committee also accepted evidence from the police that there have been several recent incidents of assault and actual body harm (ABH) at the premises and as a result found it necessary to add a condition requiring Security Industry Association (SIA) door staff to be present at certain times as requested by the police.

Appeal Rights

This decision is open to appeal by either:

- a) The applicant for the review
- b) The premises licence holder or
- c) Any other person who may representations in relation to the application

Such appeal must be commenced by notice of appeal given by the appellant to the justices chief executive for the magistrates court for the area within the period of 21 days beginning with the day on which the appellant was notified by this licensing authority of the decision.

The decision does not have effect until either

- a) The end of the period for appealing against this decision or
- b) In the event of any notice of appeal being given, until the appeal is disposed of

The meeting closed at 11.55am.

CHAIR:

DATED: