

NOTICE OF DECISION

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE – JULY 31 2009

1 LICENSING ACT 2003 – RNB CLUB, 12A STATION WAY, SE15 – SUMMARY LICENCE REVIEW – CONSIDERATION OF INTERIM MEASURES

The licensing sub-committee have received an expedited review application and certificate submitted by the Metropolitan Police Licensing Service, received at the council's licensing service on the 29 July 2009, for the review of the premises licence under Section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003.

In consultation with the Metropolitan Police Service under Section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 the licensing sub-committee has exercised its powers to initiate the following interim steps pending the review of the premises licence:

The suspension of the premises licence until the full review hearing, scheduled for 19 August 2009, has been determined.

During the course of the meeting the sub-committee had regard to the matters arising from the two key definitions of the expedited review process under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 which are as follows:

1. serious crime; and
2. serious disorder

The range of options that were open to the licensing sub-committee at the interim stages were:

- modification of the conditions of the premises licence;
- the exclusion of the sale of alcohol by retail (or other licensable activities) from the scope of the licence.
- removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence; and
- suspension of the licence.

The premises licence holder may make representation against the interim steps taken by the licensing authority. There is no time limit for the premises licence holder to make representations on the interim steps. On receipt of a representation the licensing authority will hold a formal hearing within 48 hours; any non-working days will be disregarded in calculating the 48 hour period. The representation must be addressed to the licensing authority where the interim action was initiated.

2 Reasons

The reasons for the decision are as follows:

Having considered the application by the police under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 and having considered the evidence submitted by the police, the sub-committee decided to suspend the licence pending full review on August 19 2009. This decision is necessary for the promotion of the following licensing objectives, namely the prevention of crime and disorder and the promotion of public safety.

Issued by the Constitutional Team on behalf of the Strategic Director of Communities, Law and Governance

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