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**SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**LICENSING (LICENSING AND GAMBLING) SUB-COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 JUNE 2021**

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Present: Councillors G Galton, B Harris and Noon

7. **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

In accordance with S.14 (2) of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, the hearing was held using video conferencing and the public were able to view a live stream of the proceedings using a web link published on the council website. This was in the interest of public safety given the isolation restrictions imposed by the Prime Minister as a result of the public health risks due to the Coronavirus or Covid-19. As a result, the Council offices were closed to the public and this licensing sub-committee was held remotely with parties to the hearing participating by way of conference call.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Galton be elected as Chair for the purposes of this meeting.

8. **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC - LEGAL ADVICE**

**RESOLVED** that the Sub-Committee move into private session in order to receive legal advice when determining issues. Following that private session, at which time the matter would be determined, written confirmation of the decision of the Sub-Committee would be distributed to all parties to the hearing.

9. **APPLICATION FOR NEW PREMISES LICENCE - LITTLE ALEX RESTAURANT, 100C ST MARY STREET, SOUTHAMPTON SO14 1PE**

This hearing was held as a virtual meeting using Microsoft Teams and was streamed live online for the press and public to view via the Live Events platform.

The Sub-Committee considered very carefully the report of the Service Director – Communities, Culture and Homes. Representations by all parties present at the hearing, as well as written representations, were fully taken into consideration. The Sub-Committee had also viewed camera footage that was made available ahead of the hearing.

It gave due regard to the Licensing Act 2003, the Licensing Objectives, statutory guidance and the adopted statement of Licensing Policy. The Human Rights Act 1998, The Equality Act 2010 and The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Section 17 were considered whilst making the decision.

The Sub-Committee also took into account that Hampshire Constabulary, Trading Standards and Environmental Health - Licensing had agreed conditions with the applicant prior to the hearing and that no other Responsible Authorities had made representations to the Sub-Committee.

**RESOLVED** that having considered all of the above the Sub-Committee agreed to grant the licence in accordance with the conditions agreed with Hampshire Constabulary, Trading Standards and Environmental Health – Licensing.

### **Reasons**

The Sub-Committee noted the representation received by the local resident and that the appropriate Responsible Authorities had been in contact with the applicant, and had imposed conditions on the license, which were agreed by the applicant.

The Sub-Committee noted the applicant's representation that alcohol was to be provided as an ancillary to the service of food. The Sub-Committee was satisfied that the premises would be closed to new customers at 2300 daily but allow existing customers until midnight to finish their meal and drinks.

The Sub-Committee further noted that the applicant confirmed that training will be implemented and completed for all staff members prior to commencement of trading.

There is a right of appeal for any party to the Magistrates' Court. All parties will receive written notification of the decision with reasons which will set out that right in full.