

# **Cherwell District Council**

## **Licensing Sub-Committee**

**02 June 2016**

### **Premises Licence Review Hearing**

#### **Report of Public Protection Manager**

This report is public

#### **Purpose of report**

To consider a request from Thames Valley Police for a review of the premises licence relating to; G's, Deans Court, Bicester and detail the representations received from relevant authorities that has resulted in a hearing to determine the application.

#### **1.0 Recommendations**

- 1.1 There is no recommendation, but in considering the representations received and what is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, the steps the Sub-Committee can take are outlined in paragraph 6.2.

#### **2.0 Introduction**

- 2.1 To consider an application to review a premises licence submitted by Thames Valley Police.

#### **3.0 Report Details**

- 3.1 G's, Deans Court, Bicester is a town centre bar and nightclub that currently benefits from a premises licence issued in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003, covering the sale of alcohol by retail for consumption on the premises, regulated entertainment and late night refreshment.
- 3.2 Any sale of alcohol such as this must be authorised by a person who holds a personal licence issued under the Licensing Act, and every premises selling in these circumstances must have a designated premises supervisor (DPS) in place. This is a person holding a personal licence who is ultimately responsible for all alcohol sales.
- 3.3 The application was made by Laura Morris, Licensing Officer on behalf of Thames Valley Police who are the Responsible Authority with responsibility for the Crime & Disorder objective under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 3.4 The application regards concerns that the Premises Licence Holders are not promoting the Prevention of Crime and Disorder licensing objective.

## **4.0 Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendations**

4.1 There is no recommendation

## **5.0 Consultation**

5.1 In accordance with the regulations of the Licensing Act 2003, the Licensing Authority displayed the Notice of Review for a period of 28 days starting from the day after the date on which the application was served. The notice was displayed at the premises in question, at Cherwell District Council offices and published on CDC's website.

5.2 There have been no other representations in relation to this application.

5.3 The applicant and objectors have been invited to attend.

## **6.0 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

6.1 At the end of the consultation period the licensing authority must hold a hearing. It must take such steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, which are:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance
- the protection of children from harm

6.2 The steps the Sub-Committee can take are to:

- modify the conditions of the Premises Licence;
- exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the Premises Licence;
- remove the Designated Premises Supervisor from the Premises Licence;
- suspend the Premises Licence for a period not exceeding three months;
- revoke the Licence;
- any combination of the above;
- none of the above.

## **7.0 Implications**

### **Financial and Resource Implications**

7.1 There are no financial implications resulting from this report.

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## Legal Implications

7.2 The determination of this application must be made in accordance with the relevant legislation and statutory guidance, and the council's licensing policy.

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## 8.0 Decision Information

### Wards Affected

Bicester East Ward

### Links to Corporate Plan and Policy Framework

Not applicable

### Lead Councillor

Not applicable

### Document Information

Appendix No	Title
1	Copy of application to review premises licence
2	Copy of premise licence
3	Notice of hearing
4	Statement of licensing policy
5	Tier 2 warning letters included with the review application
6	Email detailing the recording capacity recording settings on the CCTV system at the premises
7	Response received from Oxfordshire fire and rescue service
8	Email received from the premises licence holder Mr David Mather
9	A copy of the current 'Door supervisor policy' in force at the premises
10	A copy of the current 'Alcohol & Children Policy' in force at the premises
11	A location map of the premises
<b>Background Papers</b>	
None	
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