

**Cherwell District Council**

**Licensing Sub Committee**

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub Committee held at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA, on 15 February 2011 at 2.00 pm.

9. **Constitution of the Sub Committee**

The Membership of the Licensing Sub-Committee for this meeting was Councillors Tony Ilott (Chairman), Blackwell and O'Sullivan.

10. **Declarations of Interest**

Members declared an interest in the following agenda item:

**3. Personal Licence Determination Hearing.**

Councillor P A O'Sullivan, Personal, as a resident of the same village as the applicant but the applicant was unknown to him.

11. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

**Resolved**

That as the item had been marked as confidential and the exclusion of the press and public consequently being compulsory in law, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business.

12. **Personal Licence Determination Hearing**

***Environment & Community***

**D Ian Davies** BSc (Hons) DMS **Interim Chief Executive**

**Chris Rothwell** BSc (Hons) Flinst SRM **Head of Safer Communities, Urban & Rural Services**

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15 February 2011

Dear Sir/Madam

Licensing Act 2003 – Grant of Personal Licence Application: Mr Lofti Ghazi

I refer to the hearing of the Licensing Sub-Committee today at which the Sub-Committee considered an application in respect of the above named person for the grant of a personal licence under the Licensing Act 2003. The decision contained in this letter is a decision of the Licensing Authority.

After considering all the representations made at the hearing the Sub-Committee decided as follows:

The Licensing Sub-Committee have considered very carefully the points raised by the Licensing Officer and Thames Valley Police.

The Licensing Sub-Committee have also taken note of the guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and note in particular the sections they have been referred to in the Agenda document. Section 4.9 reads 'the Secretary of State recommends that, where the police have issued an objection notice, the licensing authority should normally refuse the application unless there are exceptional and compelling circumstances which justify granting it.

In considering the application the Licensing Sub-Committee have considered whether any such exceptional and compelling circumstances are present in this case such as to justify a grant of the Personal Licence despite Thames Valley Police's objection.

They conclude that no such circumstances were advanced and as such the application is therefore refused.

You have a right of appeal against this decision to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of the date of this letter. The relevant Magistrates Court for the area is:

Northern Oxfordshire Magistrates Court  
The Courthouse  
Warwick Road  
Banbury  
Oxon  
OX16 2AW

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Finally, if you have any queries regarding this notice, please contact a member of the Licensing Team on 01295 753744.

Yours faithfully



Claire Bold  
Licensing Team Leader

The meeting ended at 2.30 pm