

MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE A
THURSDAY, 15 MAY 2008

Councillors Demirci, Patel (Chair) and Vanier

Apologies Nil

Also Present: Councillor Oatway

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
LSCA13.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE There were no apologies for absence.	
LSCA14.	URGENT BUSINESS There were no items of urgent business.	
LSCA15.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.	
LSCA16.	SUMMARY OF PROCEDURE Noted.	
LSCA17.	ROSE CAFE, LORDSHIP LANE (WHITE HART LANE WARD) This item was withdrawn from the agenda.	
LSCA18.	ELEMENTZ, 96 ALEXANDRA PARK ROAD, MUSWELL HILL, LONDON N10 2AE (ALEXANDRA WARD) The Special Licensing Sub Committee (the Committee) were asked to consider an application to allow regulated entertainment, provision of late night refreshment and supply of alcohol at the above premises. The Licensing Officer presented the report and advised the Committee that representations had been received from local residents concerned that if the licence were granted it would increase late night disturbances in the area. The Licensing Officer advised that the police had made a representation but that they had withdrawn their representation on the basis that the licensee had agreed that they would stop selling alcohol fifteen minutes before the premises was closed. The Licensing Officer confirmed that the Enforcement Team had not made a representation. The Chair invited the objectors to address the Committee with their concerns. Cllr Susan Oatway, Ward Councillor presenting the views of local residents, advised the Committee that the current licence permitted the premises to remain open until 2300hrs, but that residents of the	

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houses across the road and the flats directly above the premises had recently been exposed to disturbances later than this. Cllr Oatway advised that the premises were in a residential area, and that residents were disturbed by customers leaving the premises, loud music and noise from the outside roof terrace at the back of the premises. Cllr Oatway also advised that residents had reported customers parking their cars illegally in the bus stop at the front of the premises, and unsupervised children throwing stones on the roof terrace.

Residents were concerned that stopping the sale of alcohol 15 minutes before closing time would not allow sufficient time for customers to finish their drinks and vacate the premises by the appointed closing time. In response to the Chair asking about the times of the reported disturbances, residents reported that disturbances had on occasion been occurring up to 0030hrs, and that their quality of life was being affected by lack of sleep.

The Chair invited the applicant, Mr Papadopoulos, to address the Committee. Mr Papadopoulos stated that he appreciated residents' concerns and reported that many of the events held at the premises were charity events and wedding, christening and birthday parties, and that the clientele were mainly adults in their 30s. The applicant read out a letter from Cllr Thompson, the Mayor, in support of the premises. Mr Papadopoulos added that rowdy behaviour was not tolerated at the premises, and that signage was in place asking customers to respect local residents when leaving. Customers were also not allowed to take drinks out of the front entrance. When children were in the premises, their parents were asked to supervise them and staff would also try to keep an eye on them, but it was not possible to monitor them all the time. Mr Papadopoulos reported that live music events at the premises in the past had been held under temporary event notices.

Responding to residents' concerns regarding noise from the venue, Mr Papadopoulos reported that there was some sound proofing at the premises, which was mainly in the extension. Speakers at the premises had also been engineered to ensure that they did not create vibrations. As noise from the roof terrace was the main concern of most of the objectors, the applicant was asked how this could be mitigated. Mr Papadopoulos reported that the terrace was slightly enclosed by a trellis, but that in order to comply with the law relating to smoking it could not be further enclosed. He added that staff were trying to minimise any noise from the venue, and that any customer causing a disturbance out on the terrace would be asked to move inside. The Chair asked for information about the letters of support submitted by the applicant; Mr Papadopoulos reported that the letter had been drafted by himself, and that customers and local shops had been asked if they would sign in support of the application during April 2008.

Having been satisfied that all opinions and concerns of all objectors and the applicant had been heard, and allowing for the all parties to summarise their cases, the Chair adjourned the Committee for deliberation of the issues raised.

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RESOLVED

The Licensing Sub Committee decided to grant the licence in accordance with the application, with the exception that the licensable activities from Monday to Saturday will cease half an hour prior to closing and on Sunday the supply of alcohol will cease quarter of an hour prior to closing, namely:

Regulated Entertainment: films, live music, recorded music, performances, dance, anything of a similar description to the above, Provision of entertainment facilities for making music and entertainment of a similar description

Monday to Thursday	1100 to 2330
Friday and Saturday	1100 to 0000
Sunday	1200 to 2230

Provision of late night refreshment

Monday to Thursday	2300 to 2330
Friday and Saturday	2300 to 0000

Supply of Alcohol

Monday to Thursday	1100 to 1130
Friday and Saturday	1100 to 0000
Sunday	1200 to 2215

Hours Premises open to the Public

Monday to Thursday	1100 to 0000
Friday and Saturday	1100 to 0030
Sunday	1200 to 2230

Subject to the following additional conditions:

1. That the mandatory statutory conditions under sections 19 and 20 of the Act be adhered to.
2. That the licensee complies with the provisions of the operating schedule.
3. That alcohol shall only be sold to young persons able to produce valid proof of age by means of a:
 - Passport
 - Photo driving licence
 - Proof of age standard card
 - Home Office Citizen Card
4. The licensee shall ensure that no music played in the licensed

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	premises is audible at or within the site boundary of any residential property. 5. Signs shall be displayed on the frontage instructing patrons to recognise the residential nature of the area and conduct their behaviour accordingly. 6. The roof terrace shall be closed at 2300hrs.	
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CLLR JAYANTI PATEL

Chair