

**MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE C  
THURSDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2010**

Councillors Basu, Ejiofor (Chair) and Strang

Apologies Councillor Scott

<b>MINUTE NO.</b>	<b>SUBJECT/DECISION</b>	<b>ACTON BY</b>
<b>LSCC01.</b>	<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Scott, for whom Cllr Strang was acting as substitute.</p>	
<b>LSCC02.</b>	<p><b>URGENT BUSINESS</b></p> <p>There were no items of urgent business.</p>	
<b>LSCC03.</b>	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
<b>LSCC04.</b>	<p><b>SUMMARY OF PROCEDURE</b></p> <p><b>NOTED</b></p>	
<b>LSCC05.</b>	<p><b>LORDSHIP LANE SNOOKER CLUB, 407 LORDSHIP LANE, TOTTENHAM, LONDON N17 6AG (WEST GREEN WARD)</b></p> <p>In response to the Chair asking whether there were any late documents for submission, the applicant's representative confirmed that he had with him a copy of the applicant's waste contract and related invoices, if the Committee needed to refer to these.</p> <p>Ms Dale Barrett, the Licensing Officer, presented the report on an application for a new premises licence for the supply of alcohol at Lordship Lane Snooker Club, 407 Lordship Lane, Tottenham N17. Ms Barrett reported that representations by the police, noise team and child protection officer had been withdrawn as the applicant had accepted all the conditions proposed by the responsible authorities. Letters of representation had also been received from local residents, objecting to the application and expressing concerns regarding patrons from the premises obstructing access to properties to the rear of the club and intimidating local residents, non compliance with the smoking ban, incidences of violence in relation to the premises, littering and nuisance behaviour. Ms Barrett gave an outline of enforcement action taken in relation to the premises over the past three years.</p> <p>In response to questions from the Committee, Ms Barrett indicated that the Committee could address the issues in relation to smokers at the premises by means of conditions. Tony Michael, Legal Services, advised that the Committee may take into account the enforcement history at the</p>	

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premises when considering whether conditions would be adequate to address the licensing objectives. In response to a question from the Committee regarding the gaming machines indicated on the plans submitted, Ms Barrett responded that the plans indicated the premises 'as proposed' and that if a licence were to be granted, the applicant was intending to apply for a licence for up to two gaming machines.

The applicant's representative, Mr Cimen, addressed the Committee and advised that in response to the concerns raised by neighbours, the applicant would be happy to limit the number of smokers permitted outside at any one time and also to condition that the applicant would clear up the smoking area each night. It was also suggested that, if the number of smokers permitted outside were to be limited, then the area at the front of the premises could be used for smokers, rather than at the rear. Mr Cimen advised that most of the enforcement history in relation to the premises was to do with there being no waste contract in place, and advised that a waste contract was now in place, and a copy was available at the meeting if the Committee wished to refer to it. In relation to the mention in the report of the club being operated as a private members club, Mr Cimen clarified that this was only in relation to snooker tournaments, to control the registration of players and teams for such tournaments.

In response to a question from the Committee, Mr Cimen reported that members of the public would not have access to the upper floor of the premises. Mr Cimen also reported that, while the plans submitted indicated a proposed minicab office to the rear of the premises, this was no longer proposed and should be disregarded. Revised plans would be submitted to the Licensing Authority. In response to further questions from the Committee, the applicant's representative reported that they would expect a maximum of 20-25 patrons at peak times and that the applicant was a personal licence holder and would receive ongoing training in aspects such as Challenge 21 if the licence were to be granted. The Committee asked how the applicant would enforce the permitted licensing hours, and Mr Cimen reported that alcohol could be locked away at the end of licensed hours to ensure that it was not served.

In response to questions from the Committee regarding the control of the number of smokers permitted outside at one time, the applicant and the noise team officer agreed that, if a licence were granted with conditions regarding the smoking arrangements, this would make it easier to manage the situation than at present. The applicant advised that around 5-7 people would be an appropriate number of smokers to permit outside at one time. In response to a question from the Committee regarding how the limit on smokers was to be enforced, Mr Cimen accepted that the Committee would be likely to condition a minimum number of staff on duty to address this.

In response to a question from the Licensing Officer, Mr Cimen advised that the rear area of the premises would not be accessible to the public, until such time as a further application to vary the licensed area of the

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premises was made. Mr Cimen also advised that no refreshments were currently served after 11pm, and that the applicant was aware that if he wished to serve refreshments after 11pm he would require a license for late night refreshment.

**RESOLVED**

The Committee fully considered the application including the representations of the applicant, the objectors and those of the responsible authorities. The Committee also gave regard to the borough's Statement of Licensing Policy and the section 182 Guidance.

The Committee decided to grant the application on varied hours, the hours for the Supply of Alcohol are:

Sunday to Thursday: 1000 to 2300  
Friday and Saturday: 1100 to 0000

The purpose for limiting the requested hours is to promote the Licensing Objectives of the prevention of public nuisance and the prevention of crime and disorder, based on the representations and the history of enforcement activities required in relation to the premises.

The licence is subject to the following conditions relating to all four licensing objectives:

- The conditions advised by the police, child protection officer and noise officer outlined on pages 34, 42 and 38 of the agenda pack are imposed, with the condition of the police relating to CCTV to be amended to read:

“A full digital CCTV to be installed recording in real time and to be recording all the time the premises are open. A full head and shoulders image to be taken of customers upon entry to the club. The installation of such CCTV must be at the front of the premises and also at the rear of the premises, where the fire exit is found. These recordings should be kept for a minimum of 31 days and made available to Police or Local Authority upon request. A member of staff should be trained in the downloading of these images.”

Additional conditions imposed are as follows:

- Smoking is not to be permitted to the rear of the premises under any circumstances.
- The rear fire door is to be kept closed at all times save for emergencies.
- Smoking is only permitted outside the front of the premises and is limited to five patrons at any time and any type of drinks may not be taken outside. The applicant is required to ensure that the area

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	<p>of the front of the premises is regularly swept clear of litter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A minimum of two members of staff shall be on duty at all times during permitted licensing hours. Staff must monitor and ensure that the limit on the number of patrons smoking outside is not exceeded.</li> <li>- Alcohol is to be locked away out of sight of patrons outside of permitted licensing hours.</li> </ul> <p>For the avoidance of doubt, the premises licence is to be granted only once the licensing authority has provided written confirmation to the applicant that it has been satisfied that all the required conditions have been met to the satisfaction of the responsible authorities.</p> <p><u>Informative</u></p> <p>The applicant is specifically reminded that use of this premises licence does not mean that operating the snooker club is lawful since no planning permission exists.</p>	
<p><b>LSCC06.</b></p>	<p><b>EKO MAR, 37 STATION ROAD, WOOD GREEN, LONDON N22 6XB</b></p> <p>The Licensing Officer, Ms Dale Barrett, presented the report on an application for a new premises licence for the supply of alcohol at Eko Mar, 37 Station Road, Wood Green N22. The representations made by the police had been withdrawn further to the applicant accepting the conditions proposed, and representation had also been made on the application by the noise team. A number of letters of representation had been received from local residents, objecting to the application on the grounds that it would increase late night noise and disturbance, public nuisance, anti social behaviour, littering and crime and disorder in the area, which was already affected by issues such as street drinking and violence from other licensed establishments in the vicinity. Further to clarification from the Licensing officer that the toilets at the premises would not be for use by the public, the operating schedule was amended to delete the condition in relation to the toilets.</p> <p>Further to a question from the Committee, it was confirmed that the applicant had accepted all of the conditions proposed by the noise team.</p> <p>A number of objectors addressed the Committee and expanded on the comments made in their written representations regarding issues of noise nuisance affecting their ability to sleep, light pollution from the shop signage, anti social and violent behaviour caused by intoxication, people drinking, loitering and sleeping rough in the access to the residential accommodation and the possibility that sale of alcohol would attract more problem and street drinkers to the area and exacerbate the existing problems. Residents expressed concern for their safety if a late night licence were to be granted.</p> <p>In response to questions from the Committee, local residents agreed that</p>	

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reducing the hours for the supply of alcohol to 10pm or 11pm would be more acceptable.

Mr Cimen, representing the applicant, addressed the Committee. It was reported that the applicant had experience of running a similar premises, and that alcohol would only form a small part of the shop's area. All staff would receive ongoing training, particularly in respect of underage sales, and the Challenge 21 scheme would be adhered to and promoted in-store. The applicant believed that the presence of a 24-hour shop would in fact deter people from loitering in the area and would make the vicinity safer for local residents.

In response to questions from the Committee, Mr Cimen reported that alcoholic products would be stocked in the area of the shop that was most easily monitored from the till point and that a member of staff would always be positioned nearby to deter thefts. It was clarified that the doorway onto the alleyway would be an exit only point, and this would be controlled by means of automatic doors. Mr Cimen reported that outside of licensed hours, the alcohol would be locked away by means of shutters.

Local residents asked the applicant questions, and it was confirmed that if residents had any issues in relation to the operation of the premises, they were always welcome to come and speak to the applicant, and a formal meeting with residents could be arranged to discuss issues, if this proved necessary. Residents asked about the CCTV coverage, and the applicant offered that an additional camera could be installed, facing towards the area outside the entranceway to Solar House.

In response to a question from the Committee, the applicant indicated that they would be happy to reduce the hours applied for from 2300 Sunday to Thursday and 0100 Friday and Saturday, however residents felt that this would still be too late at weekends.

**RESOLVED**

The Committee fully considered the application including the representations of the applicant, the objectors and those of the responsible authorities. The Committee also gave regard to the borough's Statement of Licensing Policy and the section 182 Guidance.

The Committee decided to grant the application as outlined in the operating schedule on varied hours to promote the prevention of public nuisance, crime and disorder and to promote public safety. The hours for the supply of alcohol are:

Sunday to Thursday: 0800 to 2300  
Friday and Saturday: 0800 to 0030.

The licence is subject to the following conditions relating to all four licensing objectives:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The conditions advised by the police and noise officer outlined on pages 82 and 86 of the agenda pack are imposed.</li></ul> <p>Point 1 under the Crime and Disorder heading in the operating schedule in relation to CCTV is to be amended to read:</p> <p>“Cameras must be sited to observe the entrance and exit doors both inside and outside, in addition a CCTV camera is to be installed outside the cold room, covering the entrance to Solar House.”</p> <p>The following additional condition is to be imposed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Alcohol shall be locked away with shutters outside permitted licensing hours.</li></ul> <p>For the avoidance of doubt, the premises licence is to be granted only once the Licensing Authority has provided written confirmation to the applicant that it has been satisfied that all the required conditions have been met to the satisfaction of the responsible authorities.</p>	
<b>LSCC07.</b>	<b>ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS</b>  There were no new items of urgent business.  The meeting closed at 22:50hrs.	

Cllr Joseph Ejiofor

Chair