LR125 FOR DECISION WARD(S): Owslebury and Curdridge

LICENSING SUB – COMMITTEE

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Report of City Secretary and Solicitor

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Application to Vary the Premises Licence for:

Ship Whites Hill Owslebury

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Part A.

1. Application

Applicant: Greene King Retailing Ltd

Premises: Ship, Owslebury

Conversion of the Existing Licence.

The conversion of the existing licence was granted under delegated powers on 12 September 2005.

The current permitted hours are;

Monday to Saturday 1000 to 2300

Sunday and Good Friday 1200 to 2230

Christmas Day 1200 to 1500

1900 to 2230

New Year's Eve 1000 to 2300 1 January

The premises do not hold a Public Entertainment Licence.

Application for Variation.

The application is for variation of the Premises Licence during the Transitional Period under Schedule 8 paragraph 7(b) of the Licensing Act 2003, to extend the hours when the premises are open to the public, for the sale of alcohol and regulated entertainment.

Notice of the application was displayed outside of the premises for a period of 28 days until 23 August 2005, and advertised in the Hampshire Chronicle on 5 August 2005.

The Operating Schedule, copied at Appendix 1, proposes the Relevant Licensable Activities as:

1 Regulated Entertainment (E,F,H)

Live Music, Disco

Special Events and Bank Holidays 1900 to 2300

Sundays 1100 to 1500

2 Supply of Alcohol (M)

Sunday to Thursday 1100 to 2300

Friday and Saturday 1100 to 0000

3. Hours Premises Open To The Public (O)

Sunday to Thursday

1100 to 2320

Friday and Saturday

1100 to 0020

The above times for the sale of alcohol and opening to be extended by one hour on Bank Holiday weekends and other notable days.

The above times for the sale of alcohol and opening to be extended by one hour before and after any Nationally recognised event or major TV sporting event.

(The above letters in brackets refer to the relevant sections of the application form)

Designated Premises Supervisor

Sandra Ellen Juggins

Steps to promote the Licensing Objectives

Please see Section Q Appendix 1

Notice of Hearing

Notices of the hearing were sent to all Parties on 5 Septmber 2005.

Relevant Representations

2. Responsible Authorities

All of the Responsible Authorities have been served with a copy of the application and make the following representations:

Director of Communities

No representations received.

Hampshire Constabulary

No representations received.

Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service

No representations received.

Child Protection Team

No representations received.

Director of Development

No representations received.

Head of Safety Standards

No representations received.

3. <u>Interested Parties</u>

1. Mr R O'Neill

4. Observations

The Sub-Committee is obliged to determine this application with a view to promoting the Licensing Objectives:

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

In making its decision, the Sub-Committee is also obliged to have regard to the National Guidance and the Council's Licensing Policy.

The Sub-Committee must have regard to all of the representations.

The Sub-Committee must take such of the following steps it considers necessary to promote the Licensing Objectives:

- 1. Grant the application as per the application, or
- 2. Modify the conditions of the licence by alteration or addition, or
- 3. Reject the whole or part of the application.

Decisions made under 2 or 3 above must actually be necessary to promote the Licensing Objectives.

Terminal hours.

The Sub-Committee should take account of the National Guidance and the Council's Licensing Policy with regard to terminal hours and take such steps as it considers necessary to promote the Licensing Objectives.

(Licensing Policy A8)

Licensing Objectives.

Crime and Disorder

The Sub-Committee should consider any necessary conditions to prevent crime and public disorder relating to the premises having regard to the Operating Schedule and Council's Licensing Policy.

(Licensing Policy 1.6, 2.11, 2.17)

Public Safety

The Sub-Committee should consider any necessary conditions relating to public safety having regard to the Operating Schedule and Council's Licensing Policy.

(Licensing Policy B3, B4)

Public Nuisance

The Sub-Committee should consider any necessary conditions to prevent public nuisance caused by noise pollution from the premises and disturbance by persons leaving the premises, having regard to the representations of the Interested Parties.

(Licensing Policy Section C)

Protection of Children

The Sub-Committee should consider any necessary conditions for the Protection of Children having regard to the Operating Schedule and Council's Licensing Policy.

(Licensing Policy D6, D7)

Human Rights

It is considered that Articles 6 (right to a fair trial) 8 (right to respect for private and family life) and Article 1 of the First Protocol (right to peaceable enjoyment of possessions) may be relevant. As there is a right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court, it is considered that there would be no infringement of Article 6. Article 8 is relevant, insofar as the nearby residents could claim that this right would be infringed by disturbance from customers. This should be balanced against the applicants' right to use of their premises under Article 1 of the First Protocol. Interference with these rights is permitted, where this interference is lawful, necessary in a democratic society, and proportionate. Likewise, the residents may argue that their rights under Article 1 of the First Protocol would be infringed. If conditions are imposed, there should be no interference with any convention rights. To the extent that any interference may occur, it would be justifiable in a democratic society, and proportionate.

5. Conditions

Mandatory Conditions

Under the Licensing Act 2003, the following conditions must be imposed on the Premises Licence in any event:-

- No supply of alcohol may be made under the Premises Licence (a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or (b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
- 2. Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
- 3. Where individuals are required on premises to carry out security activities, they must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.

Possible Conditions

If the application is granted, the Sub-Committee may wish to consider the following conditions to reflect the Operating Schedule:

Operating Hours

1. The hours the premises may open for other than Licensable Activities shall be:

(i) Sunday to Thursday

1100 to 2320

(ii) Friday and Saturday

1100 to 0020

2. The hours the premises may be used for the sale of alcohol shall be:

(i) Sunday to Thursday

1100 to 2300

(ii) Friday and Saturday

1100 to 0000

The above times for the sale of alcohol and opening may be extended by one hour on Bank Holiday weekends and other notable days.

The above times for the sale of alcohol and opening may be extended by one hour before and after any Nationally recognised event or major TV sporting event.

The above extensions should be notified to the Police and the Licensing Authority 10 working days before the event. The Police shall have the power to veto the event.

3. The hours the premises may be used for regulated entertainment shall be:

(i) Special Events and Bank Holidays

1900 to 2300

(ii) Sundays

1100 to 1500

The total number of events of regulated entertainment shall not exceed SIX in a calendar year.

All Licensing Objectives

[Dealt with in relevant sections below].

Crime and Disorder

- 1. All external walkways and car parking areas shall be illuminated during the hours of darkness up to 30 minutes after the premises close.
- 2. All staff shall maintain a close watch on the trading area and behaviour of customers at all times and shall either a) take appropriate action where needed or b) report concerns to their manager (where they are not authorised to deal personally with an issue.

Public Safety

None.

Public Nuisance

- 1. Whilst music is being played as part of regulated entertainment, the licensee or appointed member of staff shall check periodically that noise levels are acceptable. Such monitoring shall be carried out at the boundary of the premises to ensure that local residents are not likely to be disturbed.
- 2. All live and recorded music shall cease at 2300.
- 3. No music or speech shall be relayed via external speakers other than for events with the prior approval of the Licensing Authority.
- 4. Any artificial lighting on the premises shall not cause nuisance due to glare unless it is considered necessary by the Police to prevent crime and disorder.

Protection of Children

1. The premises shall adopt and implement the Hampshire Constabulary's Challenge 21 Scheme.

Embedded Restrictions

1. The provisions of the Licensing Act 1964, The Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1955 and the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 shall apply.

Informatives

The following measures are recommended to the Licensee, but are not being suggested as conditions, and would not be enforceable under the Licensing Act. In many cases, however, they may be requirements under other legislation.

- 1. The Licensee is advised to establish the acceptable occupancy for the premises in accordance with fire safety legislation.
- 2. All doors on escape routes should be free from fastenings, or if fitted should only be simple fastenings that can be readily operated from the side approached by people making an escape. The operation of these fastenings should be without the use of a key and without having to manipulate more than one mechanism.
- 3. Periodic inspection certificates should be kept on the premises for the emergency lighting, fire fighting equipment, and fire alarm and detection system.
- 4. Copies of fire test results on any fabrics should be held on the premises for inspection if required.
- 5. If the premises are not fitted with a fire alarm and detection system then a written procedure for raising the alarm should be kept on the premises.

6. Other Considerations

Corporate Strategy (Relevance To:)

This report covers issues which affect the Community safety, Economic Prosperity, and Cultural and Leisure Opportunities of the Corporate Strategy.

Resource Implications

None

Appendices

- 1. Application by Greene King Retailing Ltd
- 2. Representations by Interested Parties
- 3. Map of premises location.