

Licensing Sub-Committee

Committee

Tue 24 Sep 2024 10.30 am

Oakenshaw
Community Centre,
Castleditch Lane



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LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (TAXIS) PROCEDURE

1. Rights of Applicants

- a) An applicant will be permitted the opportunity of being heard by the Committee before his/her application is determined.
- b) The applicant will also be allowed to be accompanied by a legal or other representative to assist them if he/she so desires.

2. Notice of Meeting

- a) As much notice as is practicable will be given to the applicant of the date of the Committee meeting at which his/her application/licence review will be heard, in order to enable him/her to prepare his/her case adequately.
- b) Every member of the Committee will be issued with copies of every document which has been supplied, both by and to the applicant and any third parties.

3. Procedure at Meeting

- a) The Chair will open the hearing and ask Members of the Sub- Committee and Officers present to introduce themselves.
- b) The Chair will ask all parties to the proceedings to introduce themselves.
- c) In the event the Applicant is not represented, the Chair will remind the Applicant that they can be represented by a legal representative at their own expense.
- d) The Technical Officer (Licensing), Worcestershire Regulatory Services will present the report.
- e) The Chair will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Technical Officer.

- f) The Chair will invite the Applicant and/or their representative to present their case and call any witnesses.
- g) The Chair will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Applicant and/or their representative.
- h) The Chair will invite the Responsible Authorities to present their representations. New representations must not be raised.
- i) The Chair will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Responsible Authorities.
- j) All Other Parties to the proceedings will be invited to present their representations or elect a spokesperson to speak on their behalf. New representations must not be raised.
- k) The Chair will invite Members of the Sub-Committee, the Applicant / Applicant's representative and the Responsible Authorities to put any relevant questions to the Other Parties
- I) The Other Parties will be invited to sum up.
- m) The Responsible Authorities will be invited to sum up.
- n) The Applicant and/or their representative will be invited to sum up.
- o) The Chair will ask the Legal Advisor if there is any legal advice to be given.
- p) The Council's Legal Advisor will inform all those present of the right to appeal and that, an appeal against the Sub-Committee's decision must be lodged within 21 days of the date on which written confirmation of the decision is received by the Applicant.
- q) The Chair will close the Hearing so that the Sub-Committee can reach its decision in private.
- r) The Sub-Committee's decision will be confirmed in writing to the Applicant and those parties who made representations within 5 working days.

4. Adjournment

If an application is made for an adjournment, the Committee should grant the request if refusal would deny the applicant/driver a fair hearing and thereby result in a breach of the rules or natural justice.

Please Note:

- 1. Each application coming before the Licensing Sub-Committee will be treated on its own merits, and the Sub-Committee will take its decision based upon:
 - a) the promotion of the four licensing objectives, as given by the Licensing Act 2003, namely:
 - the prevention of crime and disorder;
 - public safety;
 - the prevention of public nuisance; and
 - the protection of children from harm;
 - b) Redditch Borough Council's Statement of Licensing Policy;
 - c) guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003; and
 - d) the Licensing Act 2003.
- 2. Decisions may be taken in the absence of the Applicant or any other party. All notices and representations received from absent parties will be considered.
- 3. Late evidence will only be considered with the agreement of all parties present.
- 4. An appeal against the Sub-Committee's decision must be lodged within 21 days of the date on which all parties were notified in writing of the decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee.



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Membership:

Cllrs:

Matthew Dormer David Munro

Gary Slim

- **1.** Election of Chair for the meeting.
- 2. Apologies
- **3.** Declarations of interest
- **4.** APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE BANK CAFE & INTERIORS 2A LIGHTHOUSE WORKS, QUEEN STREET, ASTWOOD BANK, REDDITCH, B96 6BT (Pages 7 40)