

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
LICENSING PANEL (LICENSING ACT 2003 FUNCTIONS)

12.00pm 21 OCTOBER 2024

VIRTUAL

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Cattell, Helliwell, Sheard, and Shanks Cattell, Helliwell and Sheard

Officers: Corrine Hardcastle, Donna Lynsdale, Rebecca Sidell, and Grace Leonard

PART ONE

1 TO APPOINT A CHAIR FOR THE MEETING

1.1 Councillor Sheard was appointed Chair for the meeting.

2 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

2a Declaration of Substitutes

2a.1 There were none.

2b Declarations of Interest

2b.1 There were none.

2c Exclusion of the Press and Public

2c.1 In accordance with section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 ('the Act'), the Licensing Panel considered whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during an item of business on the grounds that it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press or public were present during that item, there would be disclosure to them of confidential information (as defined in section 100A(3) of the Act) or exempt information (as defined in section 100I of the Act).

2c.2 **RESOLVED** - That the press and public be not excluded from the meeting during consideration of Item 3 onwards.

3 KFC LICENSING PANEL (LICENSING ACT 2003 FUNCTIONS)

3.1 Licensing Officer Donna Lynsdale introduced the application.

- 3.2 There were no questions from the panel, Sussex Police, Licensing Authority, Councillor Shanks, or the applicant.
- 3.3 Mark Thorogood introduced a representation on behalf of Sussex Police.
- 3.4 Councillor Cattell was informed that there was no crime rate changes in this area and the two new student blocks have not seen a long-term impact yet.
- 3.5 Councillor Helliwell was informed that the police consider night to be from 11pm into the early hours of the morning.
- 3.6 There were no questions from the Licensing Officer, Licensing Authority, Councillor Shanks, or the applicant.
- 3.7 Councillor Shanks introduced their representation.
- 3.8 There were no questions from the panel, Licensing Officer, Licensing Authority, Sussex Police, or the applicant.
- 3.9 Corrine Hardcastle introduced a representation on behalf of the Licensing Authority.
- 3.10 There were no questions from the panel, Sussex Police, Licensing Officer, Councillor Shanks, or the applicant.
- 3.11 Christopher Rees-Gay introduced a representation on behalf of the applicant.
- 3.12 Councillor Cattell was informed that the applicant would like to open until to cater to late-night workers and students as they feel there is a market for it, and they can manage this well.
- 3.13 Councillor Cattell was informed that the last hour of the current license is busy and there is demand.
- 3.14 Councillor Cattell was informed that the other KFCs in the city do not open until 3am and that the Portslade site does not have the same footfall.
- 3.15 Councillor Cattell asked if the applicant would consider closing to the public at 1am and only doing takeaway and delivery from 1am to 3am, which the applicant refused.
- 3.16 The legal adviser was informed that the capacity of the KFC was 45 covers.
- 3.17 Councillor Helliwell was informed that the door staff are well trained, the premises is well staffed, and that they have access to a Tannoy and are linked with the MSU.
- 3.18 Corrine Hardcastle was informed that the premises always had a minimum of 4 staff, excluding the door staff.
- 3.19 Donna Lynsdale summarised as the Licensing Officer.

- 3.20 Mark Thorogood summarised on behalf of Sussex Police.
- 3.21 Corrine Hardcastle summarised on behalf of the Licensing Authority.
- 3.22 Councillor Shanks gave their summary.
- 3.23 Christopher Rees-Gay summarised on behalf of the applicant.
- 3.24 The chair called the panel to a close for decisions.

The meeting concluded at 2.00pm

Signed

Chair

Dated this

day of