

NEWARK AND SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of **Licensing Committee** held in the Castle House, Great North Road, Newark, NG24 1BY on Thursday, 29 February 2024 at 6.44 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor J Hall (Chair)
Councillor L Tift (Vice-Chair)

Councillor N Allen, Councillor R Cozens, Councillor R Jackson, Councillor S Michael, Councillor D Moore, Councillor S Saddington, Councillor P Taylor, Councillor T Wendels and Councillor T Wildgust

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor A Brazier, Councillor L Brazier, Councillor D Darby and Councillor K Roberts

28 NOTIFICATION TO THOSE PRESENT THAT THE MEETING WILL BE RECORDED AND STREAMED ONLINE

The Chairman advised that the proceedings were being recorded by the Council and that the meeting was being livestreamed and broadcast from the Civic Suite, Castle House.

29 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

NOTED that no Member or Officer declared any interest pursuant to any statutory requirement in any matter discussed or voted upon at the meeting.

30 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 NOVEMBER 2023

AGREED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2023 were a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

31 FORWARD PLAN (MARCH 2024 TO FEBRUARY 2025)

AGREED that the Licensing Committee's Forward Plan from 1 March 2024 to 28 February 2025 be noted and that no date had yet been set for the Night-Time Economy Visits.

32 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ALCOHOL LICENSING MATRIX

The Committee considered the report of the Environmental Services & Licensing Manager which sought to inform Members of the development of an Alcohol Licensing Matrix by the Public Health Team at Nottinghamshire County Council.

The report set out the background to the development of the matrix, noting that it had been developed in partnership with the Nottinghamshire Authorities Licensing Group. The intention of the matrix was to encompass a range of data related to the health harms of alcohol. Data indicators had been gathered from a variety of health, adult social care and children's social care sources. This data was then weighted based on alignment with the licensing objectives and potential impact on individuals and communities. Paragraphs 1.4-1,6 of the report set out how the matrix would be used by the Public Health Team when consulted on a licensing application.

In considering the report, Members welcomed the matrix, noting the 15 indicators used therein which aligned to the licensing objectives.

A Member queried whether Public Health would be able to refuse the granting of a licence application based on existing premises. The Environmental Services & Licensing Manager advised that the matrix would be used by Public Health to suggest conditions or restrictions on a premise and ask the Council to consider their proposals. It would then be the Council's decision whether to accept their suggestions or not.

AGREED (unanimously) that the contents of the Briefing from Nottinghamshire County Council attached as an appendix to the report be noted.

33 TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICES (OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2023)

The Committee considered the report of the Senior Licensing Officer which sought to provide Members with details of Temporary Event Notices (TENs) received between October and December 2023. The appendix to the report listed all the TENs received.

AGREED (unanimously) that the report be noted.

34 UPDATE ON PERFORMANCE AND ENFORCEMENT MATTERS

The Committee considered the report of the Senior Licensing Officer which sought to provide Members with the activities and performance of the Licensing Team from 1 October to 31 December 2023.

AGREED (unanimously) that the report be noted.

Meeting closed at 6.57 pm.

Chair