



Report to: Licensing Sub-Committee: 11 December 2024
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Report Summary	
Report Title	Application for Review of a Premises Licence – Club X, Castle Gate, Newark
Purpose of Report	For Members to consider an application to review the premises licence for the Club X, Castle Gate, Newark
Recommendations	<p>That Members consider the review application and the representations made for Club X, Newark and take the steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. The steps available on determination of review applications are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To modify the conditions of the licence • To exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence • To remove the Designated Premises Supervisor • To suspend the licence for a period not exceeding three months • To revoke the licence • To take no action

1.0 Background

1.1 The application to review the premises licence was received from Yvonne Swinton, Community Protection Manager on 21 October 2024 and was submitted on the grounds of the prevention of public nuisance. Noise complaints have been received relating to patron noise in the rear smoking area. An Abatement Notice was served on 8 July 2024, at the time of the submission of the review paperwork, the noise had not been abated and further complaints had been received.

1.2 A summary of the application is attached as **Appendix A** of the report.

The Application Premises

1.3 The application is attached as **Appendix B**, a plan of the premises and a map showing the site in context of its surroundings are shown as **Appendix C and D** respectively to this report.

Current Licensed Activities

1.4 The details of the current licence are included in **Appendix E** to this report.

2.0 Proposal/Options Considered

Reason for Hearing

2.1 Following advertisement of the application to review the premises licence four additional representations/comments have been received from:

- Newark Town Council, Town Hall, Newark, NG24 1DU (In support of the premises)
- Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service, Highfields Fire Station, Beeston, NG9 2GQ
- Planning, NSDC, Castle House, Great North Road, NG24 1BY
- Amanda, India, Jasper and Scarlet Meade, Valerie Frank, Castle Gate, Newark, NG24 1BG

2.2 The representations are attached as **Appendices F to I** of this report.

2.3 The applicant has been made aware of the representations.

2.4 Mediation is ongoing between the Licence holder and Community Protection to find an alternative, suitable location for the smoking area so as not to cause a nuisance. Updates will be reported at the meeting.

Applicable Policies and Guidance

2.5 Any relevant policies and statutory guidance are detailed in **Appendix A**.

3.0 Implications

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations, officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection; Digital & Cyber Security; Equality & Diversity; Financial; Human Resources; Human Rights; Legal; Safeguarding & Sustainability and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.