

MINUTES of the meeting of Regulatory Sub Committee held at The Council Chamber, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford on Monday 18 October 2010 at 3.00 pm

Present: Councillor JW Hope MBE (Chairman)

Councillors: SPA Daniels and Brig P Jones CBE

27. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor JW Hope MBE was elected as Chairman for the Regulatory Sub-Committee hearing.

28. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

29. NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY)

There were no substitutes present at the hearing.

30. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

31. EXPEDITED / SUMMARY LICENCE REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE: THE CROWN & SCEPTRE INN, MARKET PLACE, ROSS-ON-WYE, HR9 5NX (Pages 1 - 2)

The Regulatory Sub-Committee met to consider a representation made by Sarah Dean, the premises licence holder, against the interim steps imposed on 6 October 2010 following the expedited licence review of her premises licence for 'The Crown & Sceptre Inn', Market Place, Ross-on Wye, HR9 5NX.

The Chairman introduced the Members and Officers and asked any interested parties to introduce themselves. He advised them of the hearing procedures and asked if any party required an extension to the 10 minute time limit for public speaking, no extensions were requested.

The Licensing Officer introduced the report.

The Senior Litigator confirmed that Miss Dean understood the details of the report and requested that she ask for any items to be clarified throughout the meeting if the need arose.

Miss Dean addressed the Sub-Committee and drew their attention to the following four conditions that she proposed be added to her licence to address the concerns.

- 2 SIA registered door staff to be employed between the hours of 9pm and 12.30 am on Friday and Saturday night.
- A risk assessment to be carried out to extend these hours or to employ additional staff as required.

- Ensure that either the Premises Licence Holder or Bar Manager are within the licensed premises at all times of licensable activity.
- The outside area of the premises to be closed from 11pm on any evening

Mr Mooney, representing West Mercia Police, advised the Sub-Committee that he was satisfied that the proposed conditions would address the concerns of the police authority. He added that he had no objection to the suspension being lifted on the proviso that the conditions were enforced rigorously.

The Sub-Committee retired to make their decision, the Senior Litigator and the Democratic Services Officer also retired to assist them with procedural matters.

The Chairman advised all parties present that the Sub-Committee were satisfied that the premises could re-open subject to the implementation of the four conditions proposed by Miss Sarah Dean. However he noted that the Sub-Committee had considered the suitability of Sarah Dean as the Designated Premises Supervisor and advised that they had serious concerns regarding her ability to manage the premises satisfactorily in the medium to long term.

RESOLVED

That the Crown & Sceptre be permitted to re-open and that the premises licence be amended in accordance with the attached decision notice.

The meeting ended at 4.00 pm

CHAIRMAN



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**REGULATORY COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE
(THE LICENSING ACT 2003)**

PREMISES	The Crown & Sceptre Inn
DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR	Sarah Dean
APPLICATION TYPE	Representation Against Interim Steps
PANEL MEMBERS	Councillor JW Hope MBE (Chairman) Councillor SPA Daniels Councillor Brig P Jones CBE
DATE OF MEETING	18 October 2010

Members of the Licensing Panel of the Council's Regulatory Committee considered the above application, full details of which appeared before the Members in their agenda and the background papers.

Prior to making their decision the Members heard from Sarah Dean, the premises licence holder and James Mooney, representing West Mercia Police.

Having carefully considered those matters brought before them and in reaching their decision, the Members had full regard to both the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 (as amended by the Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006) and the Council's Licensing Policy. The Members made the following decisions in order to promote the licensing objective of the prevention of crime and disorder.

HOURS OF LICENSABLE ACTIVITY

	Live Music,	Recorded Music, Film, Indoor Sporting Events	Sale of Alcohol (M)	Open to the public (O)
Monday	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300
Tuesday	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300
Wednesday	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300
Thursday	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300
Friday	1000 - 0000	1000 - 0000	1000 - 0000	1000 - 0000
Saturday	1000 - 0000	1000 - 0000	1000 - 0000	1000 - 0000
Sunday	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300	1000 - 2300

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REASON

- To promote the licensing objective of the prevention of crime and disorder.