

HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL**REGULATORY-SUB COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE
(THE LICENSING ACT 2003)**

PREMISES	The Royal Oak
PREMISES LICENCE HOLDER	Charmain Rhoda Brooke
APPLICANT'S NAME	Charmain Rhoda Brooke
APPLICATION TYPE	Premises Licence
PANEL MEMBERS	Councillor DW Greenow (Chairman) Councillor BA Durkin Councillor PJ McCaull
DATE OF MEETING	14 December 2015

Members of the Council's Regulatory Sub Committee considered the above application, full details of which appeared before the Members in their agenda.

Prior to making their decision the Members heard from Mr Fred Spriggs, Licensing Officer for Herefordshire Council, Ms Charmaine Brookes, the applicant, and Mr Steve Fellows for Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Services.

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, the Guidance Issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Council's Licensing Policy.

DECISION

This Regulatory Sub-Committee has heard an application for a new Premises licence made in respect of the Royal Oak Hotel Leominster.

It has referred and given weight to the appropriate statutory provision, best practice and evidence put before it by all parties.

The Hearing today relied upon the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005. Our Legal Adviser has referred the Committee particularly to certain paragraphs of these Regulations which the Committee duly considered and followed in its decisions concerning what evidence to admit, who it would hear and in what capacity and how the proceedings should generally be conducted.

The Committee is invited to consider;

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- Whether to grant a new premises licence and if so with what conditions;
- Whether, in the event of it granting such a licence, it can accept Ms Charmaine Brookes as its designated premises supervisor.

The Committee has made the following decisions for the reasons which will be subsequently given:-

These decisions are made in accordance with the duty placed upon us to safeguard the four Licensing Objectives in general and in particular the protection of Public Safety and prevention of Crime and Disorder objectives to which we have specifically been referred:-

For reasons which will be explained the Committee adjourns this application in the public interest to the 25 January 2016 at 11:00am.

The Committee is considering granting a premises licence but only:

If a current and up to date Annual Test certificate for Emergency lighting is provided

If a current and up to date Annual Test Certificate for the Fire Alarms is provided.

The matter of the appointment of Ms Brookes as the designated premises supervisor is adjourned to the next meeting, by which time the Committee wishes to see the appropriate qualifications as advised by the Licensing Officer. The Committee should be satisfied that it has received sufficient evidence concerning Ms Brookes for it to make a decision.