



Committee: LICENSING ACT SUB-COMMITTEE

Date: WEDNESDAY, 2 JULY 2014

Venue: LANCASTER TOWN HALL

*Time:* 10.30 A.M.

#### AGENDA

1. The Lord Nelson, 7 Nelson Street, Morecambe (Pages 1 - 30)

Application for Variation of Licence

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

(i) Membership

Councillors Roger Sherlock (Chairman), Margaret Pattison and Malcolm Thomas

(ii) Queries regarding this Agenda

Please contact Jane Glenton, Democratic Services - telephone: (01524) 582068 or email jglenton@lancaster.gov.uk.

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# Agenda Item 1

Meeting of: LICENSING ACT SUB-COMMITTEE

**Date:** 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2014

Report of: LICENSING MANAGER

Reference: WP/DWE

Title: THE LORD NELSON, 7 NELSON STREET, MORECAMBE, LA4 5EF

**APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF LICENCE** 

Members of the Sub-Committee have the following documents attached to this report:

1. Application Form (pages 6 to 17)

- 2. Copy of Representation from Another Person (pages 18 to 19)
  - Resident living in the vicinity
- 3. Copy of Current Premises Licence (pages 20 to 26)
- 4. Notice of Hearing (pages 27 to 30)

#### **Details of Application**

Mrs Teresa Winward of The Lord Nelson has submitted an application under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 to vary the premises licence for the Lord Nelson, 7 Nelson Street, Morecambe, LA4 5EF

The current premises licence permits the following: -

Performance of live music	Monday to Thursday Friday to Sunday	10.30 to 01.00 10.30 to 02.00
Playing of recorded music:	Monday to Thursday Friday to Sunday	10:30 to 01:00 10:30 to 02:00
Provision for making music	Monday to Thursday Friday to Sunday	10:30 to 01:00 10:30 to 02:00
Sale by retail of alcohol:	Monday to Thursday Friday to Sunday	10:30 to 01:00 10:30 to 02:00

The current variation application is to facilitate performances of dance for the same timings Monday to Thursday 10:30 to 01:00 and Friday to Sunday 10:30 to 02:00

To remove the Children's Certificate currently contained within the Embedded Conditions.

To include the extension of the bar area as depicted on the revised plan.

Details of the application to vary the premises licence are set out in the application form, which is Document 1 attached to this report.

#### Representations

Under Section 35(3) of the Act, it is necessary for a hearing to be held to consider the application as a representation has been received from another person on the grounds of public nuisance.

A Copy of the representation is at Document 2.

#### **Notice of Hearing**

In accordance with the relevant Regulations, the parties have been given notice of the hearing. It was not felt necessary to request any clarification from the parties. The parties have been required in accordance with the Regulations to indicate at least five working days before the hearing whether they intend to attend and/or be represented at the hearing and if they wish any witness to appear at the hearing. Any responses and any further documentation submitted by any of the parties after the circulation of this agenda will be circulated to Members in advance of the meeting. Members are reminded that documentary or other information submitted on the day of the hearing may only be taken into account with the consent of the Sub-Committee and all the parties.

#### **Matter for Decision**

The Sub-Committee is requested to consider the application and the representation.

This is in accordance with Section 35(3) and (4) of the Act which provide as follows:

- (3) Where relevant representations are made, the authority must-
  - (a) hold a hearing to consider them, unless the authority, the applicant and each person who has made such representations agree that a hearing is unnecessary, and
  - (b) having regard to the representations, take such of the steps mentioned in subsection (4) (if any) as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives.
- (4) The steps are-
  - (a) to modify the conditions of the licence;
  - (b) to reject the whole or part of the application; and for this purpose the conditions of the licence are modified if any of them is altered or omitted or any new condition is added

Members are reminded that the licensing objectives are:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance and
- the protection of children from harm

#### **Government Guidance under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003**

Members may wish to note that paragraph 2.33 of the Guidance issued by the Government under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 states that public nuisance is "not narrowly defined in the 2003 Act and retains its broad common law meaning. It is important to remember that the prevention of public nuisance could therefore include low-level nuisance perhaps affecting a few people living locally as well as major disturbance affecting the whole community".

#### Relevant Parts of the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy

With regard to the prevention of public nuisance, the Policy provides as follows:

#### 8 Prevention of public nuisance

- 8.1 The most obvious aspect of public nuisance is noise. The primary source of noise is amplified music, either uncontained outdoors or emanating from premises, which do not have sufficient measures in place to contain the sound. Late at night or in the early hours of the morning, individuals shouting in the street or groups of people talking in an animated fashion generate a substantial level of noise and in some cases this is aggravated by offensive language.
- 8.2 As customers leave licensed premises, the sound of their conversation can disturb residents. Potentially greater problems arise when customers congregate or accumulate outside the licensed premises. However, it is clear that the person in control of the premises has a responsibility to ensure that disturbance to residents and businesses is kept to a minimum.
- 8.3 In considering licence applications where relevant representations are received, the Licensing Authority will consider the adequacy of measures proposed to deal with the potential for nuisance and disorder having regard to all the circumstances of the application. When addressing public nuisance, the applicant should identify any particular issues which are likely to adversely affect the promotion of the objective to prevent public nuisance, taking account of the location, size and likely clientele of the premises, and the type of entertainment (if any) to be provided. Such steps as are required to deal with these issues should be included within the applicant's operating schedule, and may include:
  - The steps the applicant has taken or proposes to prevent noise and vibration escaping from the premises, including music, noise from ventilation equipment and human voices. Such measures may include the installation of soundproofing, air conditioning, noise limitation devices and keeping windows closed during specified hours.
  - The steps taken to ensure that all staff involved in the management of the premises have the capability, responsibility and training to supervise other staff and to ensure that the premises are operated in such a manner as to prevent public nuisance
  - The steps the applicant has taken or proposes to prevent disturbance by patrons
    arriving at or leaving the premises, for example warning signs at exits, and
    warning announcements within the premises, and the use of door supervisors to
    pass on the message
  - The steps the applicant has taken or proposes to prevent queuing, or if queuing is inevitable, to divert queues away from neighbouring premises, or otherwise

- manage and monitor the queue to prevent disturbance of obstruction, and to prevent patrons congregating outside the premises.
- The implementation of a last admission time, and how the last admission time relates to the closing time of the premises
- The steps the applicant has taken or proposes to take to manage queues so that patrons who will not gain admission before any last admission time are advised accordingly
- The steps the applicant has taken to reduce queuing outside the premises and to minimise the length of time people have to queue at the premises
- The steps the applicant has taken to advise patrons that they will not be admitted
  if they are causing a disturbance, and the steps taken to implement a procedure
  for banning patrons who continually leave or arrive at the premises in a manner
  which causes a public nuisance or disturbance.
- The arrangements made or proposed for parking by patrons and the effect of parking on local residents.
- The arrangements the applicant has made or proposes to make for security lighting at the premises, and the steps the applicant has taken or proposes to take to ensure that lighting will not cause a nuisance to residents.
- Whether there is sufficient provision for public transport for patrons, for example the provision of a free phone taxi service or other arrangements with taxi companies, and whether information is provided to patrons about the most appropriate routes to the nearest transport facilities.
- Whether taxis and private hire vehicles serving the premises or traffic flow from the premises are likely to disturb local residents.
- Whether routes to and from the premises pass residential premises.
- Whether other appropriate measures to prevent nuisance have been taken, such as the use of CCTV or the employment of an adequate number of licensed door supervisors.
- The measures proposed to prevent the consumption or supply of illegal drugs, including any search and disposal procedures.
- The procedures in place for ensuring that no customer leaves with bottles or glasses
- If the applicant has previously held a licence within the area of the Council, the history of any enforcement action arising from those premises.
- Whether the premises would result in increased refuse storage or disposal problems, or additional litter in the vicinity of the premises.
- The steps the applicant has taken or proposes to take in order to ensure that standards of public decency are maintained in any entertainment provided at the premises.
- If appropriate, whether music is played at a lower level towards the end of the evening in a "wind down period".
- The applicant's proposals for the length of time between the last sales of alcohol, and the closing of the premises
- The steps the applicant has taken to prevent noise and other public nuisance from occurring in any open air parts of the premises, beer gardens, smoking shelters or areas that are used on an ad-hoc basis by patrons with the management consent for smoking

The above list is not intended to be exhaustive, and the applicant should consider all aspects of the operation that may affect public nuisance.

With regard to the prevention of crime and disorder, the Policy provides as follows:

#### **Natural Justice and Human Rights**

Members are reminded that they must follow the rules of natural justice, and must also consider human rights implications.

In particular, in accordance with Article 6, all parties are entitled to a fair hearing.

Consideration also needs to be given to the right to respect for private and family life and home, contained within Article 8, although this is a qualified right, and interference is permitted where this is in accordance with the law, or is necessary in a democratic society in the interests of public safety or the prevention of crime and disorder, or for the protection of the rights and freedoms of others. Article 1 of the First Protocol provides that every person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his possessions, although again this right is qualified in the public interest.

#### **Conclusion**

Members should consider whether to grant the application for variation, modify any conditions of the licence or to reject the whole or part of the application. Members are reminded that they should state the reasons for their decision.

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# **Premises Licence**

# LAPLWA0310

Part 1 - Premises Details

#### POSTAL ADDRESS OF PREMISES, OR IF NONE, ORDNANCE SURVEY MAP REFERENCE OR DESCRIPTION

#### **Lord Nelson**

7 Nelson Street, Morecambe, Lancashire.

Telephone 01524 425530

#### WHERE THE LICENCE IS TIME LIMITED THE DATES

Not applicable

#### LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES AUTHORISED BY THE LICENCE

- a performance of live music
- any playing of recorded music
- the supply of alcohol

Activity (and Area if applicable)	Description	Time From	Time To
E. Performance of live music (Indo	pors)		
	Monday-Thursday	10:30	01:00
	Friday - Sunday	10:30	02:00
F. Playing of recorded music (Indo	ors)		
	·	40.00	04.00
	Monday-Thursday	10:30	01:00
	Monday-Thursday Friday - Sunday	10:30 10:30	02:00
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THE OPENING HOURS OF THE PRE	EMISES		
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#### WHERE THE LICENCE AUTHORISES SUPPLIES OF ALCOHOL WHETHER THESE ARE ON AND / OR OFF SUPPLIES

- J. Supply of alcohol for consumption ON and OFF the premises





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Part 2

NAME, (REGISTERED) ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL (WHERE RELEVANT) OF HOLDER OF PREMISES LICENCE

Teresa Winward

222 Lancaster Road, Morecambe, Lancashire, LA4 5TW. Telephone 01524 419157 (daytime) or 01524 425530 (evening)

REGISTERED NUMBER OF HOLDER, FOR EXAMPLE COMPANY NUMBER, CHARITY NUMBER (WHERE APPLICABLE)

NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR WHERE THE PREMISES LICENCE AUTHORISES THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

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PERSONAL LICENCE NUMBER AND ISSUING AUTHORITY OF PERSONAL LICENCE HELD BY DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR WHERE THE PREMISES LICENCE AUTHORISES FOR THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Licence No. LAPA0252 Issued by Lancaster





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#### **ANNEXES**

#### **Embedded Conditions**

On New Year's Eve alcohol may be sold from the end of permitted hours on New Year's Eve to the start of permitted hours on the following day (or, if there are no permitted hours on the following day, 00.00 hours (midnight) on 31st December)

An additional hour to the standard times on the day when British Summertime commences

#### **Credit Sales**

Alcohol shall not be sold or supplied unless it is paid for before or at the time when it is sold or supplied, except alcohol sold or supplied with and for consumption at a meal supplied at the same time, consumed with the meal and paid for together with the meal

#### NO Children's Certificate

No person under fourteen shall be in the bar of the licensed premises during the permitted hours unless one of the following applies:

- a) He is the child of the holder of the premises licence.
- b) He resides in the premises, but is not employed there.
- c) He is in the bar solely for the purpose of passing to or from some part of the premises that is not a bar and to or from some part of the premises where there is no other convenient means of access or egress.
- d) The bar is in railway refreshment rooms or other premises constructed, fitted and intended to be used bona fide for any purpose to which holding of the licence is ancillary.

In this condition "bar" includes any place exclusively or mainly used for the consumption of intoxicating liquor. However, an area is not a bar when it is usual for it to be, and it is, set apart for the service of table meals and alcohol is only sold or supplied to persons as an ancillary to their table meals.

#### Mandatory conditions where licence authorises the supply of alcohol

- No supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence -
  - (a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
  - (b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended
  - (2) The supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence

#### Mandatory condition where Door Supervisors are provided

All individuals who carry out security activities must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority (SIA) Conditions on previous licence(s)





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See attached for Public Entertainment Licence conditions
Offered Conditions

See attached Operating Schedule

- 1. The designated premises supervisor shall have at least 2 year's experience of managing similar premises with a similar capacity and with a similar terminal hour
- 2. A personal licence holder shall be on the premises at all times during which intoxicating liquor is being sold or supplied to customers or consumed by customers, except in the case of an emergency
- 3. Whenever the designated premises supervisor is not at the premises another personal licence holder will be nominated by the designated premises supervisor as being the responsible person to manage the premises and will have the contact details of the designated premises supervisor. The details of such person to be on prominent display outside the premises
- 4. Any person who looks or appears to be under the age of 18 shall be asked to provide identification that they are over the age of 18. The following are the only forms of identification acceptable: UK photo driving licence; Passport; PASS card (proof of age standards scheme)
- If the sale of alcohol is to continue after 01.00 hours on the following day then a minimum number of 1 member of door staff registered with the SIA will be on duty from 22.00 hours on Friday and Saturday
- 6. Door supervisors registered with SIA shall be equipped with an appropriate method of keeping an accurate record of the capacity levels, including any separate capacity levels for individual rooms or levels.
- 7. Door supervisors shall be positioned at each entrance/exit (other than fire only exits) to ensure that no customer leaves with any bottles or glasses or food any container/or wrapper
- 8. The designated premises supervisor will maintain a daily record comprising of the start time and finish time of each door supervisor. The door supervisor will record their SIA badge number and will sign and print their name in a legible form at the beginning and end of each tour of duty. The record shall be kept securely on the premises for at least 6 months and shall be produced on request to the police or other authorised person
- To install, maintain and operate a CCTV system, which complies with the minimum requirements, expected of the Lancashire Constabulary and shall record during all hours that a licensable activity takes place on the premises
- 10. No entry to or re-entry to the premises one hour prior to the terminal hour by members of the public or by any guests or friends of members of staff or the premises licence holder
- 11. Any outside area, which is used for the consumption of alcohol, shall cease to be so used at 22.30 hours
- 12. The provision of off-sales to terminate at 23.00 hours
- 13. There will be no adult entertainment services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children





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NAME OF DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR WHERE THE PREMISES LICENCE AUTHORISES THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Teresa WINWARD

STATE WHETHER ACCESS TO THE PREMISES BY CHILDREN IS RESTRICTED OR PROHIBITED



#### LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL

# LICENSING ACT 2003 AND THE LICENSING ACT 2003 (HEARINGS) REGULATIONS 2005

#### **NOTICE OF HEARING**

To: The Applicant: Teresa Winward

Lord Nelson 7 Nelson Street Morecambe LA4 5EF

Interested Party: Adrian Dent

**THE LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL, AS LICENSING AUTHORITY, HEREBY GIVES YOU NOTICE** that a hearing before a Sub-Committee of the Licensing Act Committee to consider a relevant representation in respect of an application under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of premises known as **Lord Nelson, 7 Nelson Street, Morecambe**, will take place on the **2**<sup>nd</sup> **July 2014** at Lancaster Town Hall, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

**AND TAKE NOTICE THAT** each party as listed above is required to give to the Licensing Authority by no later than five working days before the day of the hearing a notice in writing stating whether that party intends to attend or be represented at the hearing, and whether he or she considers a hearing to be unnecessary.

**AND TAKE NOTICE THAT** if a party wishes any other person (other than the person he/she intends to represent him at the hearing) to appear at the hearing, the notice given by that party and referred to in the preceding paragraph must contain a request for permission for such other person to appear at the hearing, and must set out details of the name of that person and a brief description of the point or points on which that person may be able to assist in connection with the matter to be considered by the Sub-Committee.

**GIVEN** this 11<sup>th</sup> June 2014 by the Lancaster City Council as Licensing Authority.

#### INFORMATION TO ACCOMPANY NOTICE OF HEARING

#### 1. Right of attendance, assistance and representation

A party may attend the hearing and may be assisted or represented by any person, whether or not that person is legally qualified.

The hearing will generally take place in public. However, the Sub-Committee may exclude the public from all or part of a hearing where it considers that the public interest in so doing outweighs the public interest in the hearing, or that part of the hearing, taking part in public. In such circumstances, a party and any person assisting or representing a party may be treated as a member of the public. The Sub-Committee will exclude the public (and the parties and their representatives) during the decision making process.

The Sub-Committee may require any person attending the hearing who in its opinion is behaving in a disruptive manner to leave the hearing, and may refuse to permit that person to return, or permit him to return only on such conditions as the Sub-Committee may specify. However, such a person may, before the end of the hearing, submit to the Sub-Committee in writing any information which he would have been entitled to give orally had he not been required to leave.

#### 2. Representations and Supporting Information

At the hearing a party shall be entitled to:

- (a) Give further information as applicable in response to a point upon which notice has been given to that party that clarification is required. (Note if such clarification is required from a party this will have been indicated in the Notice of Hearing).
- (b) Question any other party, but only if given permission by the Sub-Committee; and
- (c) Address the Sub-Committee

#### 3. Failure of Parties to attend the Hearing

If a party has given notice that he does not intend to attend or be represented at a hearing, the hearing may proceed in his absence.

If a party who has not so indicated fails to attend or be represented at a hearing, the Sub-Committee may, where it considers it to be necessary in the public interest, adjourn the hearing to a specified date, or hold the hearing in the party's absence. If the hearing proceeds in a party's absence, the Sub-Committee will consider and give appropriate weight to the application, representation or notice given by that party in their absence.

#### 4. Representations and Evidence

A party who wishes to rely on information or documentary evidence that has not been submitted in advance of the issue of the Notice of Hearing should ensure that such

information or evidence, together with sufficient copies for all the parties, is submitted to the Licensing Manager as soon as possible before the day of the hearing.

Parties are reminded that documentary or other information submitted on the day of the hearing may only be taken into account with the consent of all the other parties.

A party who wishes to produce audio/visual evidence should make such evidence available as soon as practical, and should give a minimum of two clear working days notice to the Licensing Manager to facilitate arrangements for the appropriate equipment to be available at the hearing.

#### 5. Procedure

A summary of the procedure that will normally be followed at the hearing is enclosed.

It should be noted that this is a general procedure intended to cover matters that will normally be applicable at all hearings.

However, depending on the circumstances of each individual case, it is recognised that other issues may need to be considered as preliminary points at the hearing. These may include (but are not limited to):

- Whether to proceed in the absence of a party
- Whether to admit new documents/information submitted at the hearing
- Whether it is in the public interest to exclude members of the public from the hearing or any part of the hearing (other than the decision making process)
- Whether any party wished to withdraw representations previously submitted

#### 6. Special Needs

Any person who intends to attend a hearing and who has special needs, for example in connection with access, language, hearing or vision, should inform the Licensing Manager as soon as practical prior to the day of the hearing, so that appropriate provision or arrangements may be made.

# PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED AT HEARINGS TO WHICH THE LICENSING ACT 2003 (HEARINGS) REGULATIONS 2005 APPLY

- 1. The Chairman will introduce the Members and the Legal Adviser and Democratic Support Officer.
- 2. The Chairman will ask the parties to introduce themselves and any persons with them.
- 3. The Chairman will confirm that there is no reason why any of the three subcommittee Members should not participate in this matter.
- 4. The Chairman will confirm that this is a discussion led by the authority, that any questions should generally be put through the Chairman, and that cross-examination will only be permitted if the Sub-Committee considers that it is necessary.
- 5. The Chairman will ask the parties if they have any requests to cross-examine, and such requests will be considered by the Sub-Committee.
- 6. The Sub-Committee will consider any requests from the parties for permission for another person to appear at the hearing.
- 7. The Chairman will explain to the parties that the procedure to be followed will be the published one (unless the circumstances of the case require the normal procedures to be varied) that is,
  - that the Licensing Manager (or his representative) will introduce the details of the application, the reason for the hearing, and the documentation,
  - that each party making representations will address the sub-committee in turn and will call other persons where permission has been given
  - that the applicant/licence holder will present his case and will call other persons where permission has been given
  - that Members may ask questions of all parties and persons
  - that questions from the parties must be directed through the Chairman unless cross-examination has been permitted under 4 above
  - that all parties will have the opportunity to make a closing statement, with the applicant/licence holder having the final word
  - that the Sub-Committee will withdraw to make its decision and formulate the reasons for the decision in private, and will ask its Legal Adviser and the Democratic Support Officer to join it in order to assist in documenting the decision and the reasons, or to provide clarification on any point. The decision will be announced in public and confirmed in writing. (In certain circumstances, the decision may not be made on the same day as the hearing). In the event that the Legal Adviser has been asked for clarification on any point then the point raised and the advice given will be declared to all parties.
- 8. The Chairman will indicate the maximum period of time each party will be allowed in which to present their case, and will seek comments from the parties before the Sub-Committee makes its final indication on this point.
- 9. The hearing will then proceed following the procedure in 7 above. The Chairman will arrange for reasonable comfort breaks throughout the hearing.