



London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham

Licensing Sub-Committee

Minutes

Tuesday 11 December 2012

PRESENT

Committee members: Councillors Matt Thorley (Chairman), Michael Cartwright and Peter Graham

Premises: Freddie and Mylene Gonzales, FM Bar, Gareth Hughes, Jonathan Patel, Jeffrey Green Russell, representing FM Bar, Urim Ademaj and Michael Verling, Investigation and Research Bureau, and Richard Bird, Tangerine Pink Ltd (Premises Licence holder)

Applicant: Police Sergeant Stuart Ratcliffe, Licensing Sergeant for the Borough

Environmental Protection: Derek Pitter, Environmental Protection Office

Officers: Alex Russell, Legal Adviser, Adrian Overton, Licensing Officer and Owen Rees, Committee Coordinator

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. FM BAR, 184 UXBRIDGE ROAD, LONDON, W12 7JP (APPLICATION NUMBER:2012/01679/LAPRR)

The Sub-Committee received and considered an application for review of the premises licence at FM Bar, 184 Uxbridge Road, London, W12 7JP.

The Sub-Committee began at 7pm and adjourned until 7.15pm, before adjourning again to 7.45pm, to allow negotiations between the parties.

Main Points Of Evidence

Police Sergeant Stuart Ratcliffe, Licensing Sergeant for the Borough and applicant, said that, thanks to the indulgence of the Sub-Committee, all parties had agreed a

mutually acceptable position. This would see a number of conditions imposed, and a reduction of half an hour to the terminal hour for all activities. He said that this would put in place an appropriate licence for the premises.

Gareth Hughes, for the premises, listed the conditions agreed by the applicant and the premises. He submitted a list of 13 conditions agreed with the applicant, subject to changes to 5 and 13 (the deletion of the words "and Sunday" and the addition of the words "save for members", respectively). With regards to the club condition on the existing licence, he said that the condition had been in place for some time, and was not suitable for purpose; the expanded condition submitted offered assurance of greater control and enforceability if there were subsequent problems. He said that the premises accepted that the membership scheme had not been functioning properly, but was committed to ensuring it was the basis of the club's operation: all members would be asked to rejoin to ensure compliance. He noted that the condition would, with its 24 hour waiting period for membership, mean that there was no public entry.

Other conditions agreed were that 5 door supervisors would be on site between 21:00 and closure on Friday and Saturday, with 1 between 21:00 and 22:00 and 2 between 22:00 and closure on other nights, and recommendations 21, 22, 24, 39 and 41 from the licensing report. Recommendation 19 had also been agreed subject to the queuing direction being from Hopgood Street. The premises was also willing to accept conditions with regards to regular resident meetings and participation in the Pubwatch scheme. He said that recommendations 11 and 20 on the licensing report submitted had been agreed to replacing existing condition 8.

Councillor Graham asked whether it was acceptable to all parties to remove the first clause of recommendation 11 for the purposes of clarity. All parties confirmed that it was. He also asked whether the premises were willing to include a requirement to show photographic ID before receiving membership. The premises said that they were.

PS Ratcliffe said that a no entry/re-entry after 12.30am, except for smokers, condition had also been agreed. Mr Hughes confirmed that this was true.

The Sub-Committee retired at 8.03pm, returning at 8.10pm.

RESOLVED THAT

The Sub-Committee agreed the review, and that it was necessary and proportionate to impose all conditions proposed by the parties.

Full reasons for decision are contained in the decision letter which accompanies these minutes.

Meeting started: 7.00 pm
Meeting ended: 8.10 pm

Chairman

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