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Stone, Derek

From: Jon Wallsgrove [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 December 2018 13:29
To: Jon Wallsgrove
Subject: FW: Variation of premises licence - Best One, Fratton Road

From: peter.rackham [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 November 2018 15:26
To: Jon Wallsgrove
Subject: RE: Variation of premises licence - Best One, Fratton Road

Hi Jon,

Thanks for the email. My apologies for not being clear in my previous email. I can confirm that the Chief Officer of Police is not making any representation against the application for the grant of a variation at Best One, Fratton Road, Portsmouth.

You make reference to an email of the 26th September attaching crime stats. My records show this email as being sent on the 22nd September 2018. This is the email I am assuming you are making reference to:

Regarding your points I will hope to answer them as follows:

My position regarding previous emails between ourselves regarding this application (in particular 22th September 2018) has not changed. As such the points you raise (a-c) are as per my email on 22nd September. I agree with these points following my looking at the evidence and what your client has decided to place on the premises licence in order to promote the licensing objectives.

Regarding the process for decision making around licensing applications within Portsmouth I am on behalf of the Chief Officer of Police the Single Point of Contact. This process is around looking at an application and its contents, crime figures for the premises itself and the immediate surrounding areas and applying the licensing act 2003 to these matters. I also as part of this process make contact with local Police Inspector for the beat area to gain their view point and see if there are issues which I need to raise as part of the application process. I can confirm that this was performed and that I did not receive any comments from the beat team which required me to raise anything.

I hope that this answers your questions sufficiently

Kind Regards

Pete

PC 21945 Rackham
Force Licensing Team
Portsmouth
[REDACTED]

From: Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team Mailbox
Sent: 07 November 2018 12:36

To: Rackham, Peter [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Variation of premises licence - Best One, Fratton Road

From: Jon Wallsgrove [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 November 2018 10:13
To: Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team Mailbox [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Variation of premises licence - Best One, Fratton Road

Pete,

I assume that the with the email below the police are not making any representation against the application.

In an earlier email to me you confirmed that a variation would have a minimal risk of an adverse impact on the licensing objectives and the police would not object (26th September attaching the crime stats). Mrs [REDACTED] at the last hearing said she had spoken to an Inspector who had disagreed with the police licensing officers view that there wasn't going to be a negative impact. The Committee took the view that although the police hadn't objected they hadn't expressed any positive view and accordingly seemed to attach no weight to the fact the police did not object. Unfortunately Seb could not afford to appeal the decision taken by the Committee. The email below is going to leave the Committee with the same dilemma.

I am not asking you to assist my client in any way but to assist the Committee and have clear evidence from the police that:

- a. Crime and disorder has not decreased since the licensing hours for this store were changed.
- b. Crime and disorder locally is not attributed to this store selling alcohol
- c. Increasing the hours to 2am will have a minimal risk on having a negative impact on the licensing objectives and anti-social behaviour, crime, or nuisance.

Just to give you the heads up I am intending to adduce the crime stats you provided me and also that email of the 26th September – because clearly on the last 2 occasions the Committee were not prepared to accept my account of the conversations I had with the police and were happy to take the word of a local resident who I had proved had lied when she reported Seb for selling alcohol after hours and his CCTV clearly proved he had not – that too fell on the deaf ears of the Committee.

Thanks Pete.

Jon Wallsgrove
Partner

[REDACTED]



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From: licensing@hampshire.pnn.police.uk <licensing@hampshire.pnn.police.uk>

Sent: 06 November 2018 13:32

To: licensing@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

Cc: Jon Wallsgrove [REDACTED] >

Subject: FW: Variation of premises licence - Best One, Fratton Road

Dear Sir/Madam

Please note that the Chief Officer of Police has been in contact with the applicant regarding the application to vary a premises licence at Best One, Fratton Road.

Should the licence variation be granted then please can the steps documented in the operating schedule be added to the licence as conditions

Kind Regards

Pete

PC 21945 Rackham
Force Licensing Team
Portsmouth
[REDACTED]

From: Jon Wallsgrove [REDACTED]

Sent: 03 November 2018 08:58

To: Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team Mailbox <licensing@hampshire.pnn.police.uk>

Subject: Re: Variation of premises licence - Best One, Fratton Road

Dear PC Rackham

I can confirm that my client expects all the steps set out to be imposed as licence conditions if the licence is variation is granted.

Yours Sincerely

Jon Wallsgrove
Partner

John Gaunt & Partners

sent from my iphone
[REDACTED]

On 3 Nov 2018, at 08:52, "licensing@hampshire.pnn.police.uk" <licensing@hampshire.pnn.police.uk> wrote:

Dear Mr Wallsgrove

I can confirm that the Chief Officer of Police has received the application to vary a premises licence at Best One, Fratton Road.

Please could I confirm that in the event of the grant of the variation you intend for the conditions set out in the operating schedule to be applied to the premises licence?

Kind regards

Pete

PC 21945 Rackham
Force Licensing Team
Portsmouth

From: Robson, Debra [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]](#)]

Sent: 02 November 2018 11:38

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Variation of premises licence - Best One, Fratton Road

Dear all

Please find attached application to vary the premises licence for Best One, Fratton Road. The variation is to sell alcohol, Monday to Sunday from 08:00 until 02:00, the current licence is from 08:00 until midnight.

Representations by 28 November 2018.

Jason - can you check the notice, uniform ref: 18/03891/LAPREM, thanks.

Regards.

Debbie Robson
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