

Licensing Panel

Thursday, 30 August 2018

13:00pm

Present:

Cllr Lyn Milner (Chair)

Cllrs: Greta Goatley
Karen Hurdle

Emily Lane-Blackwell	Licensing Officer
Allan Glasson	Senior Environmental Health Officer (Objector)
Mike Crawford	Senior Legal Advisor
Babar Mumtar	Applicant
Ertan K Kara	Operations Director ZAAN Group
Youssef Semaan	Operations Director ZAAN Group
Ben Clarke	Committee & Scrutiny Assistant (Minutes)

19. To elect a Chair for the meeting

Due to their being no Chair appointed to the Licensing Panel, the Committee & Scrutiny Assistant, acting as Chair, asked for nominations from the Members of the Panel to be appointed as the Chair for the duration of the meeting.

Cllr Goatley nominated Cllr Milner and Cllr Hurdle seconded it.

The Committee & Scrutiny Assistant declared that Cllr Milner would be appointed to the role of Chairman for the duration of the meeting.

20. Apologies for absence

No apologies of absence were received.

21. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

22. Consideration of Application for a Premises Licence for Dominos, 39 The Hill, Northfleet, Kent DA11 9E

The Licensing Panel was asked to determine an application for a new premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of the premises known as Dominos, 39 The Hill, Northfleet, Kent DA11 9EX

The Licensing Officer gave a brief overview of the application for the Premise Licence with background information to the Panel.

On 9 July 2018 an application was received from Zaan Group Ltd for the grant of a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of the premises at 39 The Hill, Northfleet, Kent DA11 9EX. The application is for late night refreshment between the following times:

- Sunday to Thursday 23:00 to 00.00
- Friday and Saturday 23:00 to 03.00, with the store closing to walk in customers at 00:00 and delivery to continue to 03:00.

Kent Police were not opposed to this application under the times stated and their representations and proposed conditions are shown at Appendix 3 to the report.

The proposed conditions put forward by Kent Police were readily accepted (as shown as Appendix 4 of the report) by the applicant and may therefore be imposed on any licence granted, subject to the agreement of the Panel.

However the Senior Environmental Health Officer, through the service, submitted a formal objection to the application unless the opening hours on Friday to Saturday were revised and brought back to a midnight finish, as shown in the representations at Appendix 5 of the report.

The applicant addressed the Panel arguing the reasons as to why the Premises Licence should be granted.

The Senior Environmental Health Officer addressed the Panel and explained his objection to the application as well as running through his presented evidence.

Once members had their questions answered the Panel adjourned to consider its decision.

Determination

The Chair advised that, in coming to their decision, the Panel considered all the evidence presented by both parties at the hearing, that there were no formal objections from any members of the public, that the Kent Police extra conditions had been accepted and added to the Premises Licence, the applicants verbal addressing to the board, the formal objection and evidence put forward by the Senior Environmental Health Officer that the late operating times would have a detrimental effect on the residents living in close proximity and considered a careful balance between the rights of residents and the local businesses.

Having considered all those matters, the Panel granted the Premises Licence with the following amendment to the end of delivery times on Fridays and Saturday:

- Friday and Saturday 23:00 to **02.00**, with the store closing to walk in customers at 00:00 and delivery to continue to **02:00**.

Close of meeting

The meeting ended at 3:02pm.