

Licensing Act Sub Committee Hearing

Date: 21st September 2012

Members of the Panel:	<p>Councillors George Morris (Ch), Steve Gibbin and Sylvia Tempest.</p> <p>At the reconvened meeting on the 25th Sept 2012 Councillor Ainslie attended as the appointed substituted for Councillor Tempest.</p>
Application Premises:	239 Raby Road, Hartlepool.
Officers present:	<p>Sylvia Pinkney, Public Protection Manager</p> <p>Tony Macnab, Solicitor</p> <p>David Cosgrove, Principal Democratic Services Officer</p> <p>Rachael White, Democratic Services Officer</p>
Applicant:	Mr Peter Gupta.
Respondent:	Ian Harrison, Principal Trading Standards & Licensing Officer
Decision:	
<p>Meeting adjourned as applicant's solicitor not in attendance. Meeting to be reconvened on Tuesday 25th September 2012 at 2.00 p.m.</p> <p>The meeting reconvened on Tuesday 25th September 2012 at 2.00 p.m. with all parties present.</p> <p>The Licensing Sub Committee considered an amended application from Mr Gupta for a premises licence for the sale of alcohol in respect of premises at 239 Raby Road.</p> <p>The Licensing authority received 4 written objections from interested parties primarily on the grounds that if the application was granted a public nuisance would be caused due to car parking outside of the premises. In addition three of the interested parties objections were on the grounds that the licensing objective relating to the protection of children from harm would be undermined. Reference was also made to the location of the premises being in a high crime rate area.</p> <p>The applicant was represented by his solicitor who argued that three of the four interested parties were involved in the operation of commercial premises. He also argued that car parking was not an issue and produced photographs to show that there were no parking restrictions outside of the applicants premises.</p>	

The Licensing Sub-Committee considered the interested parties written objections and the representations put forward by the applicants solicitor and decided that there was no evidence to show that the licensing objectives would be undermined if the application was granted.

For the above reasons the Licensing Sub-Committee here by grants the application as amended.

CHAIR