

Licensing Sub Committee

Wednesday, 25 October 2023

Present: Councillor M Thirlaway (Chair)
Councillors F Lott and T Mulvenna

LS13/23 Appointment of Chair

Resolved that Councillor Thirlaway be appointed Chair for the meeting.

LS14/23 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest reported.

LS15/23 The Fat Ox, 278 Whitley Road, Whitley Bay, NE26 2TG

The Sub-committee met to consider an application to vary the Premises Licence in respect of The Fat Ox, 278 Whitley Road, Whitley Bay, NE26 2TG.

The Applicant, The Craft Union Pub Company, sought to vary the premises licence by extending the times for the sale of alcohol and other licensable activities to commence at 9.00am rather than the existing 11.00am.

Following introductions the Sub-committee's legal advisor outlined the procedure to be followed at the hearing.

Mr Callum, Licensing Officer, presented details of the application, the representations received and the options available to the Sub-committee.

Mr Green, Solicitor for the applicant, and Mr Baldrige, the regional manager for the applicant company, presented details of the application.

Mr Green was given the opportunity of summing up the applicant's case and the Sub-committee retired to make its decision.

All parties were invited back into the meeting and the Chair announced the Sub-committee's decision.

Resolved that the application to vary the premises licence as applied for be approved.

Reason for Decision:

The Sub-committee considered that the conditions on the existing licence would be sufficient to promote the four licensing objectives and address any concerns around the additional hours approved.