

STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL

**LICENSING COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

Date: Wednesday 20th June 2012

Time: 10.00am

Place: Council Chamber, Daneshill House

Present Councillors, Councillors D Kissane (Chair), B Underwood, C Latif and P Stuart'
Councillors M Gardner and M Mckay attended as observers.

Start/End Time: Start Time: 10.00 a.m.

End Time: 11.05 a.m.

****** PART I**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Apologies were received from Councillors L Chester, L Harrington, C Hurst, L Martin-Haugh, J Mead, M Notley and J Pickersgill.

There were no declarations of interest.

2. TERMS OF REFERENCE

It was **RESOLVED** that the Terms of Reference be noted.

3. MINUTES – 29 MARCH 2012

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 March 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. PROCEDURE NOTE

Noted

5. APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE: BEDWELL PIZZA & KEBAB

The Chair welcomed all parties to the hearing and introduced the Members of the Committee.

The Clerk introduced the applicant, his son, the objectors and the Licensing Manager.

The Licensing Manager informed Members that Bedwell Pizza and Kebab is an existing take-away establishment and that the issue for consideration was in relation to the provision of late night refreshment. As part of the application process, the applicant had served a copy of their application to the nominated responsible authorities and had advertised their application by way of a notice and also placed a public notice in a local paper.

Following these submissions, representations were received from Hertfordshire Constabulary, Environmental Health and Planning Departments. After a meeting especially with Hertfordshire Constabulary, the applicants agreed to additional conditions as well as a reduction to the hours being applied for late night refreshment as follows:

Monday to Thursday	11:00 – Midnight
Friday and Saturday	11:00 – 00:30hrs the following morning
Sunday	11:00 – Midnight

The Chair thanked the Licensing Manager and invited representations from the objector's the Planning Officer and the Environmental Officer.

The Planning Officer advised the Committee that Planning Permission was granted subject to a condition relating to opening hours from 11.30 to 23.00 Mondays to Fridays, with the reason given to protect the amenity of the occupiers of the adjoining properties. The Environmental Officer informed Members that as part of the planning application, details of the technical specification for the electrostatic precipitation system and odour neutralising dosing system, including testing of the extraction system were to be submitted to the Council. She advised that this information had still not been received.

The Chair thanked both Officers and invited Mr K to address the Committee. Mr K informed Members that the request to change the opening hours was simply to address request from members of the public.

After each party had summed up their case, the Chair asked the applicant, Licensing Manager to leave the meeting whilst the Committee considered the evidence presented.

Following due consideration, all parties were invited back into the meeting

The Committee had considered all the evidence from the Licensing Manager, the applicant and objectors.

Having considered all the evidence, the Committee RESOLVED that the licence be granted subject to:

1. The conditions agreed with Hertfordshire Constabulary
2. And that opening hours be restricted between 11.00pm and 00.00hrs everyday.

The Chair advised all parties of their right to appeal this decision to the Magistrates Court within 21 days.

6. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS

None

7. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

None

8. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

None