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NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING AND APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD IN THE THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, DISTRICT COUNCIL OFFICES,
GERNON ROAD, LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY SG6 3JF ON THURSDAY, 28TH
NOVEMBER, 2019 AT 10.00 AM

MINUTES

Present: *Councillors Elizabeth Dennis-Harburg (Chairman), Gerald Morris and Richard Thake*

In Attendance: *Steve Cobb (Licensing Manager), Teresa Campion, Molly Shiells (Licensing Officer) and Matthew Hepburn (Committee, Member and Scrutiny Officer)*

Also Present: *At the commencement of the meeting approximately 9 members of the public, including registered speakers.*

1 HEARING PROCEDURE

The Licensing Hearing Procedure was noted.

2 APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A NEW PREMISES LICENCE FOR SANDON FIELDS

The Report of the Licensing Officer was noted.

3 DECISION NOTICE

RESOLVED: That the application for a Premises Licence was rejected for the reasons as set out in the Decision Notice.

The meeting closed at 4.08 pm

Chairman

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**North Hertfordshire District Council
Licensing Act 2003
Decision Notice**

Date of Hearing	Thursday 28 November 2019
Members of Panel	Councillors Elizabeth Dennis-Harburg, Gerald Morris and Richard Thake
Applicant(s) Name	Richard Maskell
Premises Address	Sandon Fields, Hyde Hall Farm, Sandon, Buntingford, Hertfordshire, SG9 0RU
Date of Application	9 October 2019
APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE	<p>This is an application for a new Premises Licence under Section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee has read the material presented to it and has listened to all the evidence and submissions. The Sub-Committee has considered the National Guidance and the Statement of Licensing Policy and has come to the following decision:</p> <p>The application is <u>rejected</u>.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee has found that the licensing objective(s) of public safety and the prevention of public nuisance has not been met by the application and is not satisfied that any conditions attached to the licence could ensure the licence meets these objectives.</p>
STATUTORY GUIDANCE CONSIDERATIONS	<p>The Sub-Committee has taken into account the Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (April 2018 version) in reaching its decision. It has found the following sections to be of particular relevance in reaching this decision:</p> <p>Sections</p> <p>1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.16, 2.16, 8.41, 8.42, 8.47</p>
LICENSING POLICY CONSIDERATIONS	<p>The Sub-Committee has taken into account the North Hertfordshire District Council's Statement of Licensing Policy in reaching its decision. It has found the following sections to be of particular relevance in reaching this decision.</p> <p>Sections</p> <p>B6,D1.4,D1.5,D2.4,D2.6,D2.9,D6.9, D8.2,E2.2,E.2.7.1,E3.1.1,E3.3.1,E3.7.1, E3.8.1,E3.8.2,E4.1,F8.1 G2.11(i)(a)(b)(ii)(iii)</p>

<p>RATIONALE FOR DECISION</p>	<p>The reason for this decisions is:</p> <p>(1) The sub-committee considers that there are a number of inconsistencies in the Event Management Plan when considered alongside the application submitted, Statutory Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and this authority's Statement of Licensing of Policy.</p> <p>(2) In particular the sub-committee felt that the applicant had not adequately addressed traffic management issues specifically around pedestrian and vehicular separation in respect of access and engress to the premises</p> <p>(3) The sub-committee notes, inconsistencies between the maximum gross capacities for the premises (Event), required by the police and the maximum gross capacities stated within the EMP.</p>
<p>RIGHTS OF APPEAL</p>	<p>An appeal may against this decision by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the applicant • any other person who made relevant representations in relation to the application <p>The appeal and appeal fee must be lodged with the Clerk of Stevenage Magistrates no later than 21 days after the day on which the parties were notified by the Licensing Authority of this decision.</p>