MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE Council Chamber - Town Hall 4 March 2013 (2.30 - 2.55 pm)

Present:

COUNCILLORS

Conservative Group Melvin Wallace (Chairman) and Frederick Thompson

Labour Group Denis Breading

The applicant, Police Inspector Maxine Blackledge for Metropolitan Police and Havering Licensing Officers, Arthur Hunt and Paul Jones, were present as were the Legal advisor to the Sub-Committee and the Clerk.

The Chairman advised those present of action to be taken in the event of emergency evacuation of the Town Hall becoming necessary.

1 APPLICATION FOR A PERSONAL LICENCE

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The Sub-Committee resolved to excluded the public from the meeting during discussion of the following item on the grounds that if members of the public were present it was likely that, given the nature of the business to be transacted, that there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within the meaning of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 which could reveal information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) and it was not in the public interest to publish this information.

DETAILS OF APPLICATION

Application for a personal licence made under section 117 (1) (a) of the Licensing Act 2003 ("the Act").

DETERMINATION OF APPLICATION

Consequent upon the hearing held on 4 March 2013 the Sub-Committee's decision regarding the application for a Personal Licence.

The Sub-Committee was obliged to determine this application with a view to addressing the objections raised by the Police.

In making its decision, the Sub-Committee also had regard to the Guidance under Sections 120 (3); 182 and Schedule 4 (Personal Licence: Relevant Offences) of the Licensing Act 2003 and Havering's Licensing Policy.

In addition the Sub Committee took account of its obligations under s17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and Article 1 of the First Protocol of the Human Rights Act 1998.

Decision

The Sub-Committee in reaching a decision considered that the Police were right to be concerned that this type of offending posed risks in the operation of licensed premises and considered it appropriate for the promotion of the crime prevention objective to reject the application.

Certain issues discussed by the sub-committee are recorded in the exempt appendix to these minutes, which are not available to the Press or Public.

		Chairman