



LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

REPORT

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Subject heading:

OJ's
64-68 High St Hornchurch RM12 4UW
Premises licence transfer application
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This application to transfer a premises licence is made by Aura Create Ltd under section 42 of the Licensing Act 2003 (*the Act*). The application was received by Havering's Licensing Authority on 23rd August 2013.

Geographical description of the area and description of the building

OJ's is located in Hornchurch town centre at the junction of High Street and Billet Lane in the St Andrews ward. This ward is a designated special policy area in relation to licensed premises.

Details of the application

The application was submitted in accordance with the provisions of s.42 of the Act which governs such applications. The application sought to transfer the premises licence from its then holder, Galecrest Ltd, to its current holder, Aura Create Ltd. A director of Galecrest Ltd gave written consent for the transfer to take effect. In accordance with s.43(1)(a) an application made correctly under the provisions of s.42 is given interim effect; the licence is thus currently held by Aura Create Ltd pending the outcome of this hearing.

Details of the Police objection notice

S.42(6) provides that where a chief officer of Police is satisfied that the exceptional circumstances of the case are such that granting the application would undermine the crime prevention objective he must give the relevant licensing authority a notice stating the reasons why he is so satisfied.

On behalf of the Metropolitan Police PC Jason Rose submitted an objection notice opposing this transfer application within the period specified in s.42(7) of the Act.

Determination of the transfer application

Given that this application was made in accordance with s.42 its determination at a hearing is governed by s.44(5)(b) which requires that the Licensing Authority must have regard to the Police objection notice and reject the application if it considers it necessary for the promotion of the crime prevention objective to do so. If the application is rejected the holder will revert to Galecrest Ltd.

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