

Minutes of the LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE held on TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2015 at 7.30 pm

Present: Councillor Morris (Chair)
Councillors Lewis and C Williams

Officers: D Abel (Solicitor), S Teesdale (Licensing Team Leader), D Novell (Senior Enforcement Officer) and J Crighton (Democratic Services)

Also Present: Mr Paul Ashby (Designated Premises Supervisor [Bogota Coffee Company Limited])

LSC05 NEW PREMISES LICENCE - BOGOTA COFFEE COMPANY LIMITED, RILLATON WALK, CENTRAL MILTON KEYNES

The Sub-Committee considered a new premises licence application by Mr Paul Ashby in respect of Bogota Coffee Company Limited, Rillaton Walk, Central Milton Keynes.

The Senior Enforcement Officer informed the Sub-Committee of the following:

- (a) the premises had been registered with Milton Keynes Council since December 2013;
- (b) the application was to permit the sale of alcohol on the premises from 12.00 pm to 11.00 pm, Monday to Friday, and 10.00 am to 11.00 pm, Saturday and Sunday;
- (c) the Bogota Coffee House was situated within 'The Hub' which combined residential and commercial properties;
- (d) the premises was located in a pedestrian passageway between Nando's and the Sweat Studio gym;
- (e) there were residential properties situated above the premises;
- (f) the premises can seat approximately sixteen people inside and a further six people outside;
- (g) there had been no complaints regarding noise or anti-social behaviour;
- (h) CCTV would be installed to cover the entrance and exit of the premises and the system would allow the Designated Premises Supervisor to remotely monitor the system away from the premises;
- (i) the applicant would implement a Challenge 25 policy;
- (j) there had been no representations from the Police.

- (k) three representations had been received from local residents concerning crime and disorder, public nuisance and inappropriate use and breaking of their communal entrance door;
- (l) following the representations being lodged, the following additional condition had been added to the operating schedule which had been sent to those who had lodged the representations:

‘The outside area is to be used exclusively for smokers after 10.00 pm with no drinks to be taken outside after 10.00 pm’;
- (m) following the additional condition being communicated, two of the three representations had been withdrawn;
- (n) there had been an alleged report of criminal damage to the communal door to the residential property but this had not been reported to the Police and appeared to have happened several years ago;
- (o) in June 2008, there had been a complaint regarding noise relating to Gourmet Burger Kitchen; and
- (p) in June 2011 and October 2012, there had been recorded complaints regarding noise relating to Nando’s;

The Sub-Committee noted that mandatory conditions would be attached to the licence, as required by the Licensing Act 2003.

Mr Ashby (Designated Premises Supervisor [Bogota Coffee Company Limited]) informed the Sub-Committee of the following:

- (a) that the sale of coffee is the primary product of the business;
- (b) the business is family owned and independent;
- (c) there had been no complaints against the premises in the two years that it had been open;
- (d) there were glass windows opposite the premises and not balconies as alleged; and
- (e) the business had previously held five late night events, four of which were under Temporary Event Notices licences, and no complaints had been received.

The Sub-Committee felt that there would be no problems relating to the premises if the application be granted.

RESOLVED -

That the application be granted.

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 7.55 PM