

EXPEDITED REVIEW, LICENSING ACT 2003 SUB-COMMITTEE
 HELD FRIDAY 25 MAY 2012

RECORD OF DECISION*

***There is no requirement for a formal hearing of the Sub-Committee to take place to determine the question of interim steps and the determination may take place over the telephone or other 'remote means'. This expedited review was conducted with Members via email.**

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| 1. Apologies for Absence | Not applicable. |
| 2. Declarations of Interest | There were no declarations of interest. |
| 3. Application | Expedited Review of Licence – Coco, 11-13 Broadway, Peterborough, PE1 1SQ |
| 3.1 Application Reference | 64353 |
| 3.2 Sub-Committee Members | Councillor Thacker (Chairman) Councillor Peach Councillor Saltmarsh |
| 3.3 Officers | Darren Dolby, Regulatory Officer – Licensing Colin Miles, Lawyer – Legal Advisor to the Sub-Committee Gemma George, Senior Governance Officer – Clerk to the Sub-Committee |
| 3.4 Applicant | Cambridgeshire Constabulary |
| 3.5 Nature of Application | <p><u>Application Type</u> Expedited review of existing premises licence.</p> <p><u>Summary of Expedited Review Application</u></p> <p>An Expedited Review was deemed necessary for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The serious nature of offences committed in the early hours of Monday 21 May 2012, “ the conduct constituted an offence for which a person of 21 years of age or over, with no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for 3 or more years or the conduct involved the use of violence”. 2. Obvious reluctance by the management to co-operate and engage effectively with the Licensing Authority. 3. Other serious breaches to the premises licence had taken place recently - the performance of a lap dancing event against the advice given by the Police Licensing Officer and without a valid authorisation. 4. CCTV coverage at the venue was unsatisfactory and ineffective in protecting staff, customers and property despite recommendations |

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| | <p>from Police to update.</p> <p>5. Information / intelligence existed to suggest that there may be a continuance of the violence or disorder in reprisal to the initial incident.</p> |
| 3.6 Licensing Objective(s) under which representations were made | <p>1. The Prevention of Crime and Disorder</p> <p>2. The Promotion of Public Safety</p> |
| 3.7 Parties/Representatives and witnesses present | Not applicable. |
| 3.8 Pre-hearing considerations and any decisions taken by the Sub-Committee relating to ancillary matters | Not applicable. |
| 3.9 Oral representations | Not applicable. |
| 3.1 Written representations and supplementary material taken into consideration | Consideration was given to the application submitted by Cambridgeshire Constabulary and the certificate under Section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003. |
| 3.10 Facts/Issues in dispute | <p><u>Issue 1</u></p> <p>Whether the expedited review application would further support the prevention of crime and disorder objective.</p> |
| 4. Decision | <p>The Sub-Committee took account of the contents of the application and the certificate issued under Section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003. The Sub-Committee found as follows:-</p> <p>That the serious nature of the incident which had occurred at the premises in the early hours of Monday 21 May 2012, warranted the interim step of suspending the licence until a full review hearing was held.</p> <p>The suspension was to take immediate effect and no licensable activities were to take place at the premises until the review hearing had been held.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee determined that the interim steps taken were appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives of ‘the prevention of crime and disorder’ and ‘the promotion of public safety’.</p> <p>The decision could be appealed by the licensee, an appeal hearing to be held within 48 hours of receipt of representation.</p> |

Chairman