

Minutes

Licensing Committee
Friday, 5 April 2024



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL

Committee members present

Councillor Pam Bosworth (Chairman)
Councillor Elvis Stooke (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Helen Crawford
Councillor Steven Cunnington
Councillor Patsy Ellis
Councillor Paul Fellows
Councillor Robert Leadenham
Councillor Tim Harrison

Officers

Licensing Officer, Elizabeth Reeve, Chris Clarke
Licensing Manager, Heather Green
Assistant Director (Governance and Public Protection) and Monitoring Officer,
Graham Watts
Legal Advisor, Mandy Braithwaite
Democratic Officer, Lucy Bonshor

49. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Harrish Bisnauthsing, Councillor Jane Kingman and Councillor Nikki Manterfield.

Councillor Ashley Baxter had resigned from the Committee and his place was being taken by Councillor Tim Harrison for this meeting only.

50. Disclosure of interests

None declared.

51. Minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2024

The minutes from the meeting held on 16 February 2024 were proposed, seconded and **AGREED**.

52. Application Renewal: Pulse and Cocktails, A1 Southbound, Stoke Rochford, Grantham, NG33 5EW

Decision:

That the Licensing Committee approve the renewal of the application for a Sex Shop Licence in accordance with Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (as amended by the Police and Crime Act 2009).

Members had been circulated with report ENV878 which concerned an application to renew a Sex Shop Licence for the premises known as Pulse & Cocktails, A1 southbound, Stoke Rochford.

In accordance with the Authority's procedures, all applications relating to sex establishments, with the exception of uncontested transfer applications, must be heard by the Licensing Committee. Each application had to be determined on its own merits; however, refusal of a licence could only be on certain mandatory and/or discretionary grounds as outlined within the report.

The applicant had run a sex shop since April 2009 and no complaints had been received during this time. The applicant was not varying the licence in any way and was only applying to renew the licence as it currently stood:

Monday – Sunday 9:00 – 22:00hrs (including Bank Holidays)

No objections had been received during the 28 day consultation period.

Members considered the application having regard to all relevant policies and procedures. As there had been no complaints made from any of the responsibility authorities, members of the public or nearby businesses, it was proposed, seconded and unanimously **AGREED** to approve the licence as applied for.

53. Any other business which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, decides is urgent.

None.

54. Close of meeting

The meeting closed at 10:35.