

Chair - Councillor A P Edgeller

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

I D Fordham

A N Pearce

Also present:-

Officers in attendance:-

Mr S Turner	-	Legal Services Manager
Mrs J Wallace	-	Licensing Manager
Mr A Bailey	-	Scrutiny Officer

Also in Attendance:-

Ms G McMullin	-	Environmental Protection Officer
Mrs V Baggaley	-	Development Business Manager
Mr D Haynes	-	Representing Pepe's Piri Piri

**LSC9 Application for a Premises Licence - Pepe's Piri Piri, 176 Stone Road, Stafford, ST16 1NT**

Considered the report of the Licensing Officer in relation to an Application for a Premises Licence for Pepe's Piri Piri, 176 Stone Road, Stafford. ST16 INT.

On 29 September 2022 the Council received an application for a Premises Licence for Pepe's Piri Piri, 176 Stone Road, Stafford. ST16 INT, this process was restarted, from 30 September, due to a previous application being unadvertised in a local newspaper.

The application was for a late-night refreshment licence therefore to increase the hours of opening from 23:00 to Midnight, Sunday - Thursdays and to 01:00 Fridays and Saturdays.

The Premises Licence Holder of the premises was Mr Abubakar Hafeez Javed.

There had been two representations from responsible authorities namely Planning and Development and Environmental Health during the consultation period of this application which ended on 27 October 2022.

Mrs J Wallace attended the meeting on behalf of the Head of Operations and introduced the report for Members.

Ms G McMullin outlined her case in objection to the application for a Premises Licence.

All parties were given the opportunity to question Ms McMullin.

Mrs V Baggaley outlined her case in objection to the application for a Premises Licence.

All parties were given the opportunity to question Mrs Baggaley.

Mr D Haynes outlined his case in support of the application for a Premises Licence.

All parties were given the opportunity to question Mr Haynes.

Ms G McMullin was then given the opportunity to sum up her case.

Mrs V Baggaley was then given the opportunity to sum up her case.

Mr D Haynes was then given the opportunity to sum his case.

The Sub Committee then considered the matter in private.

*Recording of the meeting was paused and then restarted when all parties were back in the room.*

All parties were invited back into the meeting for the Sub Committee's decision.

RESOLVED:- That the application for the premises licence be granted, with the hours for late night refreshment and opening hours be varied, so that they end at 00:00 (midnight) each day.

- REASONS:-
- (a) There was limited evidence of noise nuisance to neighbouring properties, save for one complaint regarding noisy shutters and cleaning staff - the Committee found that these complaints had been dealt with effectively by the premises licence holder;
  - (b) There was a need to balance the desire for growth of a commercial premises against the need to ensure that late night opening did not impact on neighbouring residential properties, in terms of delivery vehicle arrivals and departures and additional footfall;
  - (c) The Committee felt that the licence holder could trial the new opening times, and consider making a further application at a later date if they so wished.

CHAIR