

Chair - Councillor A P Edgeller

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

Councillors:

A M Loughran

M Phillips

Also in attendance:-

Councillors J K Price and C V Trowbridge

Officers in attendance:-

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

Also present:-

Mr B Fuggle - Stafford Rugby Union Football Club
Mrs E Lennon - Stafford Rugby Union Football Club
Mr T Woolman - Stafford Rugby Union Football Club
Mr M Bate - Local Resident

LSC2 Application for a Premises Licence

Considered the report of the Licensing Officer in relation to an application for a Premises License at Stafford Rugby Union Football Club, The County Ground, Blackberry Lane, Stafford, ST16 2TT.

On the 15 July 2019 the Council received an application for a Premises Licence at Stafford Rugby Union Football Club, the County Ground, Blackberry Lane, Stafford, ST16 2TT. Between the 31 July and 12 August 2019, the Council received 9 relevant representations from local residents. The Responsible Authorities had not made any relevant representations.

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

Mr M Bate outlined the case for objection to the variation of the Premises Licence on behalf of local residents.

All parties were given the opportunity to question Mr Bates.

Mr B Fuggle presented the case on behalf of the applicant.

All parties were offered the opportunity to question Mr Fuggle and the other representatives from Stafford Rugby Union Football Club.

All parties were then given the opportunity to sum up their 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 in to the room for the Sub Committee's decision.

RESOLVED:- that having considered the matters set out in the report and the representations made by the parties in attendance, and also having due regard to the statutory guidance and the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy, the Committee grants the Premises License as applied for

The Committee noted the lengthy discussions the applicant has had with the responsible authorities, and the conditions agreed with them.

The Committee request the Rugby Club to use the license responsibly and take into consideration the concerns of the neighbours.

CHAIR