

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

27th March 2014

PRESENT – Councillors B. Jones, J. Lyonette and L. Vasey. (3)

LS19. ELECTION OF CHAIR – RESOLVED – Councillor L Vasey.

LS20. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – No declarations of interest were made at the meeting.

LS21. APPLICATION TO REVIEW A PREMISES LICENCE – The Director of Economic Growth submitted a report (previously circulated) to consider an application for a Premises Licence in light of representations from a Responsible Authority (Trading Standards) on the grounds of the prevention of the Prevention of Crime and Disorder. A representation had also been received from “Other Persons” namely anonymous residents. The representations were in respect of Darlington Supermarket, 35 Bondgate, Darlington.

Present at the meeting were: - Mr. Byatt, Agent for the applicant Mr. Khedir and Mr. N. Green, Principal Trading Standards Officer as a responsible authority.

The Licensing Manager advised Members prior to consideration of the application for a Premises Licence that Mr. Khedir was not going to be present at the hearing and advised the Members of the problems that had been encountered in hand delivering the report to Mr. Khedir and therefore Officers were unclear as to whether Mr. Khedir had in fact received the report as no response or confirmation had been received from him.

Mr. Byatt advised Members that he had been advised that Mr. Khedir would not be present at the hearing as he was in Iraq getting married.

In light of the absence of the applicant and the concerns around Mr. Khedir’s receipt of the papers, Members gave consideration as to whether it was in the public interest to adjourn the hearing, to a date to be agreed between all parties, to enable Mr. Khedir to attend and address the points for clarification contained within the report.

RESOLVED – That consideration of the application for review of Premises Licence be adjourned to Tuesday, 13th May, 2014 commencing at 9.00 a.m.