

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 9 JULY 2014**

COUNCILLORS

PRESENT Derek Levy (Chair), George Savva MBE and Glynis Vince

ABSENT

OFFICERS: Mark Galvayne (Principal Licensing Officer), Catriona McFarlane (Legal Services Representative), Jane Creer (Democratic Services)

Also Attending: Two representatives of Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd

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WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman welcomed all those present, and explained the order of the meeting.

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DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

NOTED that there were no declarations of interest in respect of any of the items on the agenda.

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SAINSBURY'S, 340-344 GREEN LANES, PALMERS GREEN, LONDON N13 (REPORT NO. 30)

RECEIVED application made by **SAINSBURY'S SUPERMARKETS LTD** for the premises known as and situated at **SAINSBURY'S, 340-344 GREEN LANES, PALMERS GREEN N13** for a new Premises Licence.

NOTED

1. The opening statement of Mark Galvayne, Principal Licensing Officer, including the following points:
 - a. The application was for a new Premises Licence.
 - b. An existing licence related to two of the units. The store would be across three units and so a new licence was required.
 - c. No representation had been made by any of the responsible authorities.
 - d. All the proposed conditions set out in Annex 06 of the report, with minor amendments agreed this morning to Condition 3 and Condition 5, had been agreed by the applicant.
 - e. The only representation had been made by an other person; Mr Raj Pankhania. The objection was set out in Annex 04 of the report. A further

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- email from Mr Raj Pankhania dated 27 June 2014 had been circulated to all parties. Mr Raj Pankhania had not confirmed he would be attending this hearing, and was not present, so the representation remained.
- f. The Chairman noted that Mr Raj Pankhania would have been invited to address the sub-committee and to elaborate on his representation had he been present.
2. The statement of Sabrina Cader, solicitor for Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd, on behalf of the applicant, including the following points:
- a. She was accompanied by Mr Imran Ahmed, who was the manager of the Wood Green Sainsbury's Local store.
 - b. The manager for the new Palmers Green store was not in place yet.
 - c. The Sainsbury's Local would be a convenience store, selling a variety of groceries of which alcohol would be a small part. Spirits would be kept behind the counter, and beer and wine would be adjacent to the cash registers.
 - d. It was proposed that the store would open in Spring 2015.
 - e. All conditions requested by the Police had been agreed.
 - f. In respect of the outstanding representation, she had tried to contact Mr Raj Pankhania and had wanted to talk to him about his concerns, but had not been able to speak to him.
 - g. The majority of customers to the store would be local. They would typically spend around £10.00 and carry out one bag of shopping. There would not be a need for car parking spaces. This would be a convenience store, where people would do 'top-up' purchasing rather than their big weekly shop. It would also supply a lot of commuters passing this location.
 - h. Sainsbury's operated a Challenge 25 policy at all its stores. Staff underwent training and must achieve a 100% pass rate. Conditions 3 and 5 would be slightly amended to reflect how Sainsbury's operated.
 - i. Sainsbury's sent a mystery shopper aged over 18 but under 25 into each store on average every 6 weeks, slightly more frequently for a new store, to ensure that policies were being implemented. There was no evidence that licensing objectives would be undermined.
 - j. Sainsbury's promoted working with the community. The store managers were the face of the store and people could go in and ask to see them.
3. Questions from the panel were responded to, including:
- a. In response to Councillor Vince's query regarding delivery arrangements, it was advised that a Sainsbury's Local store would receive one main delivery a day, usually made around 6:30/7:00 am before the store opened to customers, taken in through the front door. The delivery would take on average 20 minutes.
 - b. In response to Councillor Savva's query, it was advised that the manager of the new store would be named around 8 weeks before the opening. The manager of a new store would be someone experienced from an existing store.
 - c. In response to the Chairman's queries, it was confirmed that further contact would be made with Mr Raj Pankhania in writing. There would also

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be a mail drive to local residents prior to the store opening. Sainsbury's also tried to take employees from the local area.

4. The summary statement of the Principal Licensing Officer confirming that there were no relevant policy considerations to draw to Members' attention and that having heard all of the representations from all parties, the sub-committee must take such steps as it considered appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

RESOLVED that

1. In accordance with the principles of Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for this item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

The Licensing Sub-Committee retired, with the legal representative and committee administrator, to consider the application further and then the meeting reconvened in public.

2. The Licensing Sub-Committee **RESOLVED** that the application be **GRANTED IN FULL** as follows :
 - (i) **Hours the premises are open to the public** : Sunday to Saturday from 00:00 to 00:00.
 - (ii) **Supply of alcohol (off supplies only)** : Sunday to Saturday from 07:00 to 23:00.

Conditions (in accordance with Annex 06 to the LSC Report):

- (i) Conditions 1 to 9 which are not disputed, including amendments to Condition 3 and Condition 5 as advised.

3. The Chairman made the following statement:

"Having heard and read all representations in this matter, the Licensing Sub-Committee (LSC) has decided to grant the application in full.

In considering all the issues raised, the LSC has determined that the applicant has fully and appropriately addressed the licensing objectives, and satisfied us on all the salient points raised by the objector."

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 14 MAY 2014

RECEIVED the minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2014.

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AGREED that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2014 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.