

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME BOROUGH COUNCIL

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM TO THE
LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE**

Wednesday 21st December 2011

APPLICATION TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE

GROVE HOUSE INN

Details of Application

Applicants: Admiral Taverns (Portfolio No 2) Limited.

Premises: Grove House Inn

Location: 181 London Road, Chesterton, Newcastle, Staffs, ST5 7JE

Application for: Variation to Premises Licence.

REQUESTED:

**A Plays (indoors and Outdoors)
Monday – Wednesday
Thursday - Sunday**

10.00 to 23.00
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Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.

Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.

From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.

**B Films (indoors and outdoors)
Thursday – Sunday**

10.00 to 00.00

Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.

Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.

From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.

C Indoor Sporting Events

	Monday – Tuesday	10.00 – 23.00
	Wednesday – Sunday	10.00 – 00.00
		Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.
		Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.
		From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.
E	Live Music (indoors)	
	Thursday – Sunday	10.00 – 00.00
		Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.
		Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.
		From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.
F	Recorded Music (indoors)	
	Thursday – Sunday	10.00 – 00.00
		Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.
		Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.
		From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.
G	Performances of Dance (Indoors)	
	Thursday – Sunday	10.00 – 00.00
		Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.
		Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.
		From the start of standard timings on

		New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.
H	Anything Similar to e, f or g (indoors) Monday – Wednesday Thursday - Sunday	10.00 – 23.00 10.00 – 00.00
		Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.
		Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year’s Day.
		From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.
I	Provision of facilities for making music (indoors) Thursday – Sunday	10.00 – 00.00
		Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.
		Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year’s Day.
		From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.
J	Provision of Facilities for Dancing (Indoors) Thursday – Sunday	10.00 – 00.00
		Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.
		Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year’s Day.
		From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.
K	Provision of Facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within I or j (indoors) Monday – Wednesday Thursday – Sunday	10.00 – 23.00 10.00 – 00.00
		Additional hour to the standard and

non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.

Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.

From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.

**L Late Night Refreshment
(Indoors and Outdoors)
Thursday – Sunday**

23.00 – 00.00

Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.

Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.

From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.

**M Supply of Alcohol
Thursday – Sunday (on and off
the premises)**

10.00 – 00.00

Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.

Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.

From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.

**O Hours open to the Public
Thursday – Sunday**

10.00 – 00.30

Additional hour to the standard and non standard times on the day when British summertime commences.

Additional hour on all bank holidays, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Year's Day.

From the start of standard timings on New Years Eve to the start of standard timings on New Years Day.

2. **Steps proposed by applicant to promote the licensing objectives in respect of the application**

General:

- A CCTV system is in place along with the relevant lighting.
- Relevant signage is in place to ask patrons to leave the premise quietly.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder:

- Ensure all staff understand the social responsibilities associated with the sale and supply of alcohol.
- There is a challenge 21 scheme in place.
- Customers who are or appear to be drunk will be refused further alcohol sales.

Public Safety:

- Securement of empty bottles.
- Prompt clearance of glasses throughout opening hours.
- Assuring that all windows and doors are kept closed when regulated entertainment takes place apart from for entrance and exit.

Prevention of public nuisance:

- A zero tolerance drugs policy is in place.

Protection of Children from harm

- A Challenge 21 scheme is in place.

3. **Consultation**

(a) Interested Parties

- There have been representations from an interested party in the vicinity of the premise (Appendix A).

4. **Policy Considerations**

(a) Licensing Objectives

The Licensing Act 2003 requires the Council to carry out its various licensing functions so as to promote the following four licensing objectives:-

- (i) the prevention of crime and disorder
- (ii) public safety
- (iii) the prevention of public nuisance
- (iv) the protection of children from harm

The amended Guidance Issued under Section 182 (section 8.110) of the Act states that in exceptional circumstances where the Chief Officer of Police believes the transfer may undermine the crime prevention objective, the police may object to the transfer. Such objections are expected to be rare and arise because the police have evidence that the business or individuals seeking to

hold the licence or business or individuals linked to such persons are involved in crime (or disorder).

Consideration of the transfer must be confined to the crime prevention objective and the hearing must not stray into other extraneous matters. The burden is on the police to demonstrate to the authority that there are good grounds for believing that the transfer of the licence would undermine the crime prevention objective.

The licensing authority must give clear and comprehensive reasons for its eventual determination.

5. **Comments**

In making their decision on the application, the Sub-Committee are also obliged to have regard to Statutory Guidance and the Council's own Statement of Licensing Policy. The Sub-Committee must also have regard to all the representations made and the evidence they hear. However, the Sub-Committee must disregard any objections that do not relate to the promotion of the four licensing objectives.

The Sub-Committee must take such of the following steps as they consider necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives as set out in paragraph 4(a) above:-

- (a) Grant the application as requested
- (b) to reject or amend the application

The Sub-Committee are asked to note that they may not reject the application merely because they consider it desirable to do so. It must actually be necessary in order to promote the licensing objectives.

6. **List of Appendices**

Appendix A:	Representation from Interested Party
Appendix B:	Copy of current Licence