



LICENSING ACT 2003

Application for a New Premises Licence

Decision Record

APPLICANT: Mr Arulampalam Sarvananthasivam

PREMISES: No. 42 St Michael's Road, Aldershot

DATE OF HEARING: 14th December, 2023

MEMBERS SITTING: Cllrs P.J. Cullum, Christine Guinness and
Nem Thapa

DECISION

To grant the licence as applied for, subject to the conditions agreed between Hampshire Police and the Applicant.

REASONS

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a premises licence for premises at No. 42 St Michael's Road, Aldershot, GU12 4JE, authorising the sale of alcohol between 0800 hours and 2300 hours. The proposed Designated Premises Supervisor was Mr Arulampalam Sarvananthasivam.

The application had attracted one representation from Mr and Mrs Yarde, who opposed the grant of the licence on the grounds of crime and disorder.

The Sub-Committee noted that Hampshire Constabulary, through PC Dennett of the Licensing and Alcohol Harm Reduction team, did not oppose the grant of the premises licence but had proposed an extensive set of conditions to be attached to the licence if granted. The Applicant had agreed with those conditions in their entirety.

In making its decision, the Sub-Committee had regard to the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003, the Secretary of State's Guidance issued under section 182 of that Act and the Rushmoor Borough Council Statement of Licensing Policy.

Each member of the Sub-Committee had read and considered the application and accompanying documents and had listened carefully to the representations made by the parties at the hearing.

The Sub-Committee needed to consider the likely effect of the granting of the application upon the promotion of the four Licensing Objectives: the prevention of crime and disorder; public safety; the prevention of public nuisance; and the protection of children from harm. It had reminded itself that, in accordance with the Secretary of State's Guidance, the police were to be taken as the Licensing Authority's expert on matters of crime and disorder. The question of need, or demand, for further licensed premises in the area of these premises was not a relevant consideration. The Sub-Committee was not unsympathetic to Mr and Mrs Yarde but needed to confine itself to consideration of the likely impact of the grant of this particular licence on the licensing objectives.

Any party to the hearing may appeal to the Magistrates' Court in writing, within 21 days of receipt of this written decision.