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Date: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019 , at 10.30am – Old Court House, Huddersfield Town Hall, Ramsden Street, Huddersfield

Title of report:Licensing Act 2003 – Application for the Grant of a PremisesLicence: Golcar United Community Playing Fields, LongfieldAvenue, Golcar HD7 4AZ.

**Purpose of report:** To determine the application

Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	Not applicable
Key Decision - Is it in the <u>Council's Forward</u> Plan (key decisions and private reports?)	Not applicable
The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Not applicable
Date signed off by <u>Strategic Director</u> & name	Russell Williams as agreed by Karl Battersby
Is it also signed off by the Service Director (Finance)?	Not applicable
Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning?	Not applicable
Cabinet member <u>portfolio</u>	Cllr Naheed Mather

Electoral wards affected: Golcar

Ward councillors consulted:	Cllr Christine Iredale	
	Cllr Andrew Marchington	
	Cllr Richard Murgatroyd	

Public or private:

Public

# 1 Summary

The purpose of this report is to inform Members of an application for the grant of a premises licence; which as a result of representations received, has been referred to this Panel for determination.

# 2 Information required to take a decision

- 2.1 Application
  - 2.1.1 On 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019 the Licensing department received an application for the grant of a premises licence for Golcar United Community Playing Fields, Longfield Avenue, Golcar, Huddersfield HD7 4AZ. The applicant is an unincorporated association, which is a registered charity number 1179760. A trustee is the point of contact for the association. A copy of this application may be seen at **Appendix A**.
  - 2.1.2 The licensable activity applied for is for the sale of alcohol between 19:00hrs and 23:00hrs on Tuesdays and Thursdays, between 12:00hrs and 20:00hrs on Saturdays and between 12:00hrs and 16:00hrs on Sundays.
  - 2.1.3 One representations have been received relating to this application. This representation considers that the following licensing objectives would not be achieved, should this licence be granted:
    - Prevention of Public Nuisance
    - Prevention of Crime and Disorder

A copy of this representation may be seen at **Appendix B.** 

# 2.2 Licensing Policy

Members considering the application should take note of the Authority's Statement of Licensing Policy, which provides the following guidance on how Members should approach the application and representation:

# **1.0 – Executive Summary**

1.2 In exercising its duties and responsibilities under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003, the Council will operate within the statements and procedures mentioned in this policy statement. Notwithstanding this statement, all applications will be treated on their merits and judged accordingly. The council will have regard to any relevant guidance issued by the Secretary of State in exercising its powers under the Act.

# 2.0 – Purpose and Scope of the Licensing Policy

2.7 The Licensing Authority recognises that each licence application must be considered on its own individual merits in the context of the four licensing objectives, and that unless relevant representations are received from responsible authority's or interested parties, there is no provision for a Licensing Authority to impose conditions on a licence other than those proposed within an

application. Only conditions which have been volunteered by the applicant or which have been determined at a Licensing Panel hearing can be attached to a licence or certificate. If no relevant representations are made in respect of an application, the Licensing Authority is obliged to issue the licence on the terms sought.

# Licensing Objectives.

- 1. Public Safety
- 2. Prevention of crime & disorder
- 3. Prevention of public nuisance
- 4. Protection of children from harm

## 2.3 Secretary of State Guidance

Members also need to consider statutory guidance issued, by the Secretary of State, under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003. As the representations relate to all four licensing objectives, Members attention is drawn to Section 2 of this Guidance, the relevant parts of which may be found at **Appendix C**.

# 3 Implications for the Council

## 3.1 Working with People

Resident of Kirklees need to be confident that persons holding licences under the Licensing Act 2003 are in a position to uphold the 4 licensing objectives. Taking appropriate and necessary action against licence holders where they fall short of their duties under the Licensing Act 2003 will prevent harm to residents

## 3.2 Working with Partners

The Council's licensing team work closely with partnering agencies, classed as 'Responsible Authorities' under the Licensing Act 2003, these include Planning, West Yorkshire Police, Trading Standards, Environmental Health, Fire Service, and Safe-Guarding Children team.

## 3.3 Place Based Working

Working closely with Responsible Authorities the Licensing Authority can address issues within the districts that make up Kirklees.

## 3.4 Improving outcomes for children

A key objective of the Licensing Act is the protection of children from harm, and any decision made by the Council, in its capacity as Licensing Authority, have to have regard to this objective.

## 3.5 Other (e.g. Legal/Financial or Human Resources)

In determining the application Members should have regard to the Authority's licensing policy statement and the Secretary of State's Guidance. The applicant

or any other person who made relevant representations in relation to the application have a right of appeal to the Magistrates' court.

# 4 Consultees and their opinions

Consultation has taken place in accordance with the Act. There have been no matters arising from responsible authorities.

# 5 Next steps and timelines

- 5.1 When determining the application Members, having had regard to the representation, may take such steps as they consider appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. The steps are
  - grant the application,
  - grant the application with the appropriate conditions,
  - exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities which relate to this application, or
  - reject the application
- 5.2 Findings on any issues of fact should be on the balance of probability.
- 5.3 In arriving at a decision Members must have regard to the relevant provisions of statutory guidance and the licensing policy statement and reasons must be given for any departure.
- 5.4 The decision should be based on the individual merits of the application.

## 6 Officer recommendations and reasons

6.1 Members of the Panel are requested to determine the application

# 7 Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Not applicable

## 8 Contact officer

Andrew Prescott, Licensing Officer, Licensing Service Tel: 01484 221000 ext. 70546 Email: Andrew.Prescott@kirklees.gov.uk

# 9 Background Papers and History of Decisions

- 9.1 Appendix A Application for the Grant of a Premise Licence from Golcar United Community Playing Fields.
- 9.2 Appendix B Representation from member of the public

9.3 Appendix C - Relevant sections of Secretary of State Guidance – Section 182 of Licensing Act 2003

# **10** Strategic Director responsible

Karl Battersby Strategic Director - Economy and Infrastructure karl.battersby@kirklees.gov.uk 01484 221 000

# Appendix A

Kirklees

Application for a premises licence to be granted under the Licensing Act 2003

#### PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.

You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

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c)	indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)		
d)	boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)		
e)	live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)		
f)	recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)		
g)	performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)		
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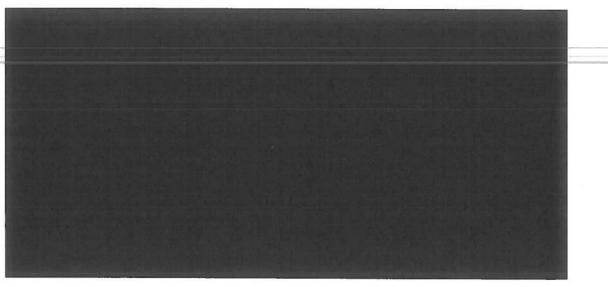
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Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 9).

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- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee.
- I have enclosed the plan of the premises.
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable.
- I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be designated premises supervisor, if applicable.
- I understand that I must now advertise my application.
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected.
- [Applicable to all individual applicants, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership, but not companies or limited liability partnerships] I have included documents demonstrating my entitlement to work in the United Kingdom or my share code issued by the Home Office online right to work checking service (please read note 15).

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

IT IS AN OFFENCE UNDER SECTION 24B OF THE IMMIGRATION ACT 1971 FOR A PERSON TO WORK WHEN THEY KNOW, OR HAVE REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THEY ARE DISQUALIFIED FROM DOING SO BY REASON OF THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS. THOSE WHO EMPLOY AN ADULT WITHOUT LEAVE OR WHO IS SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AS TO EMPLOYMENT WILL BE LIABLE TO A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE IMMIGRATION, ASYLUM AND NATIONALITY ACT 2006 AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 21 OF THE SAME ACT, WILL BE COMMITTING AN OFFENCE WHERE THEY DO SO IN THE KNOWLEDGE, OR WITH REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISQUALIFIED.

Part 4 – Signatures (please read guidance note 11)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (see guidance note 12). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.

Declaration	• [Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in the UK (please read guidance note 15).
	<ul> <li>The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her</li> </ul>



	proof of entitlement to work, or have conducted an online right to work check using the Home Office online right to work checking service which confirmed their right to work (please see note 15)			
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For joint applications, signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant or 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note 13). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.

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Personal-Data-

We have recently updated our Privacy Notice about how we use personal data provided to the Council. Further information can be found at: http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/information-and-data pdf/privacy-notice-licensinggambling-act.pdf

Licensing Department, Flint Street Depot, Flint Street, Huddersfield HD1 6LG

# Appendix B

## GOLCAR UNITED - PREMISES LICENCE.

I wish to object to the above based on the reasons below.

The prevention of crime and disorder.

 If a license was permitted then I believe this would lead to possible crime and disorder within the surrounding areas either by people who have consumed alcohol or others intent on breaking into the premises to steal said alcohol. The area surrounding Golcar United is occupied by a large proportion of elderly people who if they wanted to live on top of licensed premises would have rented or purchased a property near to a licensed establishment.

The prevention of public nuisance.

 There are anti social problems such as swearing, littering and people urinating against trees and fences etc when their are games on. If the club are granted an alcohol license then I believe this will increase this type of anti social behaviour. I understand a license has already been agreed for floodlights to be installed which would indicate evening matches. How would it be for an elderly resident in this area

to listen to people effing and jeffing in the evening whilst trying to rest because the players and or supporters have consumed alcohol?

Please consider the above.

# Appendix C

#### <u>Relevant Sections of Secretary of State Guidance – Under Section 182 of</u> <u>Licensing Act 2003</u>

#### Crime and disorder

2.1 Licensing authorities should look to the police as the main source of advice on crime and disorder. They should also seek to involve the local Community Safety Partnership (CSP).

2.3 Conditions should be targeted on deterrence and preventing crime and disorder including the prevention of illegal working in licensed premises (see paragraph 10.10). For example, where there is good reason to suppose that disorder may take place, the presence of closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras both inside and immediately outside the premises can actively deter disorder, nuisance, anti-social behaviour and crime generally. Some licence holders may wish to have cameras on their premises for the prevention of crime directed against the business itself, its staff, or its customers. But any condition may require a broader approach, and it may be appropriate to ensure that the precise location of cameras is set out on plans to ensure that certain areas are properly covered and there is no subsequent dispute over the terms of the condition.

2.5 Conditions relating to the management competency of designated premises supervisors should not normally be attached to premises licences. It will normally be the responsibility of the premises licence holder as an employer, and not the licensing authority, to ensure that the managers appointed at the premises are competent and appropriately trained. The designated premises supervisor is the key person who will usually be responsible for the day to day management of the premises by the premises licence holder, including the prevention of disorder. A condition of this kind may only be justified as appropriate in rare circumstances where it can be demonstrated that, in the circumstances associated with particular premises, poor management competency could give rise to issues of crime and disorder and public safety.

#### Public safety

2.7 Licence holders have a responsibility to ensure the safety of those using their premises, as a part of their duties under the 2003 Act. This concerns the safety of people using the relevant premises rather than public health which is addressed in other legislation. Physical safety includes the prevention of accidents and injuries and other immediate harms that can result from alcohol consumption such as unconsciousness or alcohol poisoning. Conditions relating to public safety may also promote the crime and disorder objective as noted above. There will of course be occasions when a public safety condition could incidentally benefit a person's health more generally, but it should not be the purpose of the condition as this would be outside the licensing authority's powers (be ultra vires) under the 2003 Act. Conditions should not be imposed on a premises licence or club premises certificate which relate to cleanliness or hygiene.

2.8 A number of matters should be considered in relation to public safety. These may include:

· Fire safety;

• Ensuring appropriate access for emergency services such as ambulances;

• Good communication with local authorities and emergency services, for example communications networks with the police and signing up for local incident alerts (see paragraph 2.4 above);

• Ensuring the presence of trained first aiders on the premises and appropriate first aid kits;

• Ensuring the safety of people when leaving the premises (for example, through the provision of information on late-night transportation);

• Ensuring appropriate and frequent waste disposal, particularly of glass bottles;

• Ensuring appropriate limits on the maximum capacity of the premises (see paragraphs 2.12-2.13, and Chapter 10; and

• Considering the use of CCTV in and around the premises (as noted in paragraph 2.3 above, this may also assist with promoting the crime and disorder objective).

2.9 The measures that are appropriate to promote public safety will vary between premises and the matters listed above may not apply in all cases. As set out in Chapter 8 (8.38-8.46), applicants should consider when making their application which steps it is appropriate to take to promote the public safety objective and demonstrate how they achieve that.

#### **Public nuisance**

2.15 The 2003 Act enables licensing authorities and responsible authorities, through representations, to consider what constitutes public nuisance and what is appropriate to prevent it in terms of conditions attached to specific premises licences and club premises certificates. It is therefore important that in considering the promotion of this-licensing objective, licensing authorities and responsible authorities focus on the effect of the licensable activities at the specific premises on persons living and working (including those carrying on business) in the area around the premises which may be disproportionate and unreasonable. The issues will mainly concern noise nuisance.

2.16 Public nuisance is given a statutory meaning in many pieces of legislation. It is however not narrowly defined in the 2003 Act and retains its broad common law meaning. It may include in appropriate circumstances the reduction of the living and working amenity and environment of other persons living and working in the area of the licensed premises. Public nuisance may also arise as a result of the adverse effects of artificial light, dust, odour and insects or where its effect is prejudicial to health. 2.17 Conditions relating to noise nuisance will usually concern steps appropriate to control the levels of noise emanating from premises. This might be achieved by a simple measure such as ensuring that doors and windows are kept closed after a particular time, or persons are not permitted in garden areas of the premises after a certain time. More sophisticated measures like the installation of acoustic curtains or rubber speaker mounts to mitigate sound escape from the premises may be appropriate. However, conditions in relation to live or recorded music may not be enforceable in circumstances where the entertainment activity itself is not licensable (see chapter 16). Any conditions appropriate to promote the prevention of public nuisance should be tailored to the type, nature and characteristics of the specific premises and its licensable activities. Licensing authorities should avoid inappropriate or disproportionate measures that could deter events that are valuable to the community, such as live music. Noise limiters, for example, are expensive to purchase and install and are likely to be a considerable burden for smaller venues.

2.18 As with all conditions, those relating to noise nuisance may not be appropriate in certain circumstances where provisions in other legislation adequately protect those living in the area of the premises. But as stated earlier in this Guidance, the approach of licensing authorities and responsible authorities should be one of prevention and when their powers are engaged, licensing authorities should be aware of the fact that other legislation may not adequately cover concerns raised in relevant representations and additional conditions may be appropriate.

2.19 Where applications have given rise to representations, any appropriate conditions should normally focus on the most sensitive periods. For example, the most sensitive period for people being disturbed by unreasonably loud music is at night and into the morning.

2.20 Measures to control light pollution will also require careful thought. Bright lighting outside premises which is considered appropriate to prevent crime and disorder may itself give rise to light pollution for some neighbours. Applicants, licensing authorities and responsible authorities will need to balance these issues. 2.21 Beyond the immediate area surrounding the premises, these are matters for the personal responsibility of individuals under the law. An individual who engages in anti-social behaviour is accountable in their own right. However, it would be perfectly reasonable for a licensing authority to impose a condition, following relevant representations, that requires the licence holder or club to place signs at the exits from the building encouraging patrons to be quiet until they leave the area, or that, if they wish to-smoke, to do so at-designated-places on the premises instead-of outside, and to respect the rights of people living nearby to a peaceful night.

#### Protection of children from harm

2.22 The protection of children from harm includes the protection of children from moral, psychological and physical harm. This includes not only protecting children from the harms associated directly with alcohol consumption but also wider harms such as exposure to strong language and sexual expletives (for example, in the context of exposure to certain films or adult entertainment). Licensing authorities must also

consider the need to protect children from sexual exploitation when undertaking licensing functions.

2.23 The Government believes that it is completely unacceptable to sell alcohol to children. Conditions relating to the access of children where alcohol is sold and which are appropriate to protect them from harm should be carefully considered. Moreover, conditions restricting the access of children to premises should be strongly considered in circumstances where:

adult entertainment is provided;

• a member or members of the current management have been convicted for serving alcohol to minors or with a reputation for allowing underage drinking (other than in the context of the exemption in the 2003 Act relating to 16 and 17 year olds consuming beer, wine and cider when accompanied by an adult during a table meal);

• it is known that unaccompanied children have been allowed access;

there is a known association with drug taking or dealing; or

• in some cases, the premises are used exclusively or primarily for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises.