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**KIRKLEES COUNCIL**

**LICENSING PANEL**

**Wednesday 26th February 2025**

Present: Councillor Eric Firth (Chair)  
Councillor Paola Antonia Davies  
Councillor Ali Arshad

In attendance: Steve Mycroft, Licensing Officer  
Fiona Goldsmith, Public Protection Group Leader  
Tahir Hanif, Senior Lawyer

**1 Site Visit**

**RESOLVED:**

A site visit was undertaken.

**2 Membership of the Panel**

All Panel Members were in attendance.

**3 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**RESOLVED:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st January 2025 were agreed as a correct record.

**4 Declaration of Interests**

No interests were declared.

**5 Admission of the Public**

The Panel resolved that the public would be excluded from the hearing in accordance with Regulation 14(2) of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005 and Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 during consideration of agenda item 10.

**6 Deputations/Petitions**

No deputations or petitions were received.

**7 Public Question Time**

No public questions were received.

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### 8 **Licensing Act 2003 section 51 – Application for the review of PR(A)0399 Ten Fourteen Bar, 10-14 Dunford Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2DP**

The Panel considered a report which outlined an application for the review of a premises license for the premises known as Ten Fourteen Bar, 10-14 Dunford Road, Holmfirth.

The Licensing Officer advised the Panel that on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025, West Yorkshire Police made an application for the review of the premises license for Ten Fourteen Bar, under section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003. West Yorkshire Police believed that the Licensing Objectives in respect of Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Public Safety and Prevention of Public Nuisance were not being achieved.

In response to the review application, information had been received from the Planning Service in respect of the planning permissions relating to the premises. Representations in support of the review were also received from one local resident and one local Councillor. In addition, a further five representations had been submitted in support of Ten Fourteen Bar, three from local businesses, one from an employee and one from a local Councillor.

The Barrister, acting on behalf of West Yorkshire Police, directed the Panel to pages 12 and 13 of the agenda papers which detailed the various incidents that is alleged to have had occurred at, or in close proximity of the premises, between January 2024 and December 2024. The Panel was advised that West Yorkshire Police was seeking to modify the license to terminate the sale of alcohol at 11pm and to close the premises at 12am on Friday and Saturday, and on bank holidays. The current license allowed the premises to operate until 2am and close at approximately 3am on Friday and Saturdays.

Information presented to the Panel described that the bar attracted a high number of customers between the hours of 12am and 2am and West Yorkshire Police had received numerous calls in relation to public disorder and anti-social behaviour. In July 2024, an action plan agreed with the premises licence holder and West Yorkshire Police was put in place to try and resolve the issues, however West Yorkshire Police, believed that the action plan was not being adhered to and applied to review the premises licence.

West Yorkshire Police were of the view that modifying the licence would reduce the incidents of anti-social behaviour and would be more conducive to achieving the licensing objectives.

The Solicitor representing the premises licence holder informed the Panel that the Bar was situated in a thriving, bustling town with a late-night economy, and had been trading since the 1970's. The proposed modifications to the License would have a similar effect as revocation as the majority of revenue came from the late-night opening hours.

During the hearing, questions were raised regarding the lawfulness of the CCTV footage obtained by West Yorkshire Police from a local resident. The Panel was advised that the footage had been shared with all the relevant parties.

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The Panel resolved that it would view the footage as part of its information gathering and that the public would be excluded in accordance with Regulation 14(2) of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, and Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

The solicitor on behalf of the premises license holder advised that the following had been proposed as an alternative to modifying the license.

- No new customers after 1am, which had already been implemented and was working well.
- On a Friday and Saturday, in addition to the two-security staff (SIA) inside the premises, an additional two security staff members be placed on the door outside the premises between 1am and 3am to effectively disperse customers.
- Monthly meetings with residents to take place to allow any concerns to be raised and immediate action to be taken.

Having considered all the information presented, the Panel determined as follows:

### **RESOLVED:**

That the premises license be modified to include the following conditions:

- No new customers to be admitted to the premises after 1:00am
- A slow-release policy to be implemented to manage the flow of people leaving the premises
- 4 security staff members in total, 3 outside between the hours of 1:00am – 3:00am, Friday and Saturday (in addition to any other street Marshalls)
- CCTV to cover all aspects of the outside of the premises and for it to be made available to any responsible authority upon request.

## **9 Exclusion of the Public**

### **RESOLVED:**

Determined.

## **10 Licensing Act 2003 section 51 – Application for the review of PR(A)0399 Ten Fourteen Bar, 10-14 Dunford Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2DP**

### **RESOLVED:**

That the information be noted by the Panel.