

Interim Determination Notice

Application to summary review a Premises Licence Licensing Act 2003, Sections 53b

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On the 18th November 2008, Warrington Borough Council (“the Council”), being the relevant Licensing Authority, received a Counter Notice in respect of an Interim Summary Review Hearing held on 14th November 2008 regarding premises known as:

Medicine
1 Bold Street,
Warrington.
WA1 1DN

Premises Licence Number: WBC/LP0478

On the 19th November 2008 an Interim hearing was held to consider the Counter Notice. The Sub-Committee considered the notice with a view to preventing serious crime and serious disorder. In reaching its decision the Sub-Committee had regard to the following:-

- Submissions made on behalf of the Premise Licence Holder
- Submissions made on behalf of Cheshire Constabulary
- Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006
- the relevant parts of the written and oral evidence before them;
- the relevant parts of the Licensing Authorities Statement of licensing Policy 2008-2011;and
- the relevant parts of the Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport.
- The Human Rights Act implications in Article 8 and Article 1 of the First Protocol. These are not absolute rights but qualified ones and consideration was given to the proportionality principle.

The Sub Committee upheld the decision made on 14th November 2008 that the suspension is to remain in place pending the Full Review hearing on the 11th December 2008.

Reasons:

The Sub-Committee considered, in the light of the information before it, that there were serious continuing problems associated with the premises. These problems arose from the conduct of certain of its patrons which amounted to acts of serious crime and serious disorder. Suspension of the licence was therefore necessary to promote the licensing objectives and in particular the prevention of crime and disorder.

The measures taken today are interim measures. The Sub-Committee will hold a full Review Hearing on Thursday 11 December 2008 at 10.00 a.m. at which time the Sub-Committee will again consider the full range of powers available to it ranging from the imposition of conditions to revocation of the licence.

Dated: 19 November 2008

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Signed: _____

Designation: Acting Solicitor to the Council and Head of Corporate Governance