

LICENSING ACT 2003 (THE ACT)

TO:

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**BEING THE HOLDER OF THE PREMISES LICENCE IN RESPECT OF THE ELM
TREE, QUEENS ROAD, BISHOPSWORTH BRISTOL BS13 8HP 12/01351/PREM
(THE LICENCE)**

and

**TO: The Chief Officer of Police for Avon and Somerset Constabulary,
c/o Inspector Martin Rowland
The Bridewell
1-2 Bridewell Street
BRISTOL
BS1 2AA**

DATE OF MEETING OF SUB COMMITTEE: 12 February 2018

**DECISION, FOLLOWING CONSIDERATION UNDER SECTION 53B OF
THE ACT, OF THE NECESSITY TO TAKE INTERIM STEPS PENDING
DETERMINATION OF A REVIEW OF THE PREMISES LICENCE**

TAKE NOTICE THAT

1. On 9TH February 2018 The Chief Officer of Police of Avon and Somerset Constabulary submitted an application under section 53A of the Act for a review of the Licence. A certificate was given by a Senior Officer of Avon and Somerset Constabulary, that it is in their opinion that the premises are associated with serious crime or disorder or both.
2. On 12th February 2018 a licensing sub-committee, including Councillor Harriet Clough, Councillor Sultan Khan and Councillor Eleanor Combley, was convened to consider under section 53B of the Act whether it is necessary to take interim steps pending the determination of the review.
3. The sub committee considered taking the following steps:
 - (a) the modification of the conditions of the premises licence;
 - (b) the exclusion of the sale of alcohol by retail from the scope of the licence;
 - (c) the removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence;
 - (d) the suspension of the licence

4. The sub committee decided it was necessary to take the following interim step **with immediate effect**:

(i) the suspension of the Licence


5. The reasons for the Sub-Committee's decision are:

The information provided in support of the certificate and application of review (including review of CCTV evidence which accompanied the application) demonstrates why the premises was certified as being associated with serious crime and serious disorder that puts the public including children at real risk of further harm.

Members were mindful of their obligation to promote the four licensing objectives. To do nothing was not an option. The sub-committee found that nothing short of cessation of all licensable activities would properly protect the public and promote the licensing objective of prevention and detection of crime.

Modification of conditions on the licence would clearly not address the situation given that the current licence conditions are being seriously breached. The only proportionate response on the basis of the information that had been put before the authority was the immediate suspension of the premises licence.

6. The premises licence holder has the right to make representations against the interim steps. Any such representations should be made to the Licensing Department at Bristol City Council (Licensing 100TS) PO Box 3176 Bristol BS3 9FS
7. If the licence holder makes, and does not withdraw, such representations the Licensing Authority must within 48 hours (disregarding time that is not on a working day) hold a hearing to consider them, advance notice of which would be given to the holder of the premises licence and the Chief Officer of Police for Avon and Somerset Constabulary.

Signed:  C. R. H. CLOUCH,
Duly authorised for and on behalf of Bristol City Council,
the licensing authority for Bristol

Date: 12th February 2018