

Meeting of the Licensing Act Panel to consider interim steps: 12th October 2022
The Toby Jug Public House, Chester Road, Castle Bromwich

Members of the Panel had carefully read and considered the police application along with the police statement. They noted that the premises licence holder had submitted no representations.

The panel also recalled the previous summary review and again were appalled that there had been a total disregard of the Licensing Committee's conditions and a total disrespect towards the police.

Members agreed that there had been serious allegations and very serious management failings despite previous warnings and advice. They felt it was unacceptable that the DPS had allowed alcohol to be served till after 1am, allowed customers to sleep and smoke in the premises. The way the premises seem to be run are seriously undermining the licensing objectives.

Members considered the suggested interim steps proposed by the police until the matter is considered at the review hearing. They felt it was appropriate and necessary to modify the conditions of these premises as an interim step.

As interim steps, members decided that the below conditions must be satisfied before any licensable activity can be undertaken:

1. Removal of the current DPS
2. A reduction on the hours of licensable activities to 8pm and for the premises to close by 9pm.

Liam, what this means in practice is that you will need to find another personal licence holder to be designated as premises supervisor before you can sell alcohol again. You will need to complete the attached forms and send them to licensing@solihull.gov.uk and wait for notification that they have been processed satisfactorily. From then until the full review hearing, all of your licensable activities will need to stop at 8:00pm, and the premises must be closed by 9:00pm.

The full review hearing is scheduled for November 3rd, but you will receive formal notification of this and a copy of the report closer to the time.

If you wish to make any representations against the interim steps, or the full review, please do so by email to licensing@solihull.gov.uk and quote the reference number in the subject line of this email.

Please contact me if you need any clarification on anything.

Kind Regards,

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