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Dear Sir or Madam

The Licensing Sub-Committee – Thursday, 20 July 2023, 10.00 am – Kenn Room

A meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee will take place as indicated above.

The agenda is set out overleaf.

Yours faithfully

Assistant Director Legal & Governance and Monitoring Officer

To: Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee

Councillors:

Peter Bryant, Ian Parker and Mike Solomon.

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Agenda

1. **Election of Chairperson for the meeting**
2. **Apologies for absence and notification of substitutes**
3. **Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (Standing Order 37)**

A Member must declare any disclosable pecuniary interest where it relates to any matter being considered at the meeting. A declaration of a disclosable pecuniary interest should indicate the interest and the agenda item to which it relates. A Member is not permitted to participate in this agenda item by law and should immediately leave the meeting before the start of any debate.

If the Member leaves the Chamber in respect of a declaration, he or she should ensure that the Chairperson is aware of this before he or she leaves to enable their exit from the meeting to be recorded in the minutes in accordance with Standing Order 37.

4. **Adoption of hearing procedure (Pages 5 - 6)**
5. **Exclusion of the press and public**

The Sub-Committee will be invited to pass the following resolutions:

“(1) That the press, public, and officers not required by the Members, the Chief Executive or the Director, to remain during the exempt session, be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the ground that its consideration will involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Section 100I of the Local Government Act 1972, by virtue of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act”

Also, if appropriate, the following resolution should be passed –

“(2) That members of the Council who are not members of this Sub-Committee be invited to remain.”

6. **Report for the Application for a Premises Licence - Posh Spice (Pages 7 - 92)**
7. **Urgent business permitted by the Local Government Act 1972**

For a matter to be considered as an urgent item, the following question must be addressed: “What harm to the public interest would flow from leaving it until the next meeting”. If harm can be demonstrated, then it is open to the Chairperson to rule that it be considered as urgent. Otherwise the matter cannot be considered urgent within the statutory provisions.

Exempt Items

Should the Licensing Sub-Committee wish to consider a matter as an Exempt Item, the following resolution should be passed -

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Mobile phones and other mobile devices

All persons attending the meeting are requested to ensure that these devices are switched to silent mode. The chairman may approve an exception to this request in special circumstances.

Filming and recording of meetings

The proceedings of this meeting may be recorded for broadcasting purposes.

Anyone wishing to film part or all of the proceedings may do so unless the press and public are excluded for that part of the meeting or there is good reason not to do so, as directed by the Chairman. Any filming must be done as unobtrusively as possible from a single fixed position without the use of any additional lighting, focusing only on those actively participating in the meeting and having regard to the wishes of any members of the public present who may not wish to be filmed. As a matter of courtesy, anyone wishing to film proceedings is asked to advise the Chairman or the Assistant Director Legal & Governance and Monitoring Officer's representative before the start of the meeting so that all those present may be made aware that it is happening.

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Last person out to close the door.

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Do not use the lifts.

Follow the green and white exit signs and make your way to the assembly point.

Do not re-enter the building until authorised to do so by the Fire Authority.

Go to Assembly Point C – Outside the offices formerly occupied by Stephen & Co

Agenda Item 4

North Somerset Council

Licensing Sub-Committee

Procedure to be followed for meetings of the Licensing Sub-Committee when considering Licensing Act 2003 applications

The Chairperson introduces the Members of the Sub-Committee and officers present, and explains the procedure to be followed:

1 The Chairperson invites the Licensing Officer to outline the proposal. All parties may then ask questions for clarification only

2 The Chairperson then invites persons who have made relevant representations to clarify the representations. All parties may then ask questions of those making representations or make comment, which will be at the discretion of the Chairperson

3 The Chairperson invites the applicant/applicant's representative to clarify the application and to address the representations made. All parties may then ask questions of the applicant or make comment at the discretion of the Chairperson.

4 The parties are then invited to sum up

5 The Sub-Committee then withdraws to consider the submissions and to make its deliberations

6 On returning to the meeting with all parties present, the Chairperson/Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee will announce the decision

Please note:-

All persons who have written to the Licensing Authority in connection with any of the applications on the agenda will have been invited to attend the hearing.

The Chairperson appointed for the meeting shall have absolute control of the Hearing and the ruling of the Chairperson shall be final.

The Legal Advisor to the Sub-Committee can assist the Chairperson during the Hearing and may interrupt proceedings when it is considered necessary to ensure that the Sub-Committee is able to determine the application fairly.

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By virtue of paragraph(s) 1, 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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