

NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING ACT 2003

APPLICATION: Moortown Service Station, Christchurch Road, Ringwood

Decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee hearing held at Appletree Court, Lyndhurst on 29 October 2007 at 10.00 am.

1. Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee

Councillor G C Beck - Chairman
Councillor S S Wade
Councillor Mrs M McLean

2. Parties and their Representatives attending the Hearing

Mr A Scott, 1045 Ltd – Applicant
Mr J Coy, 1045 Ltd - Applicant

3. Other Persons attending the Hearing

None.

4. Parties not attending the Hearing

Mrs D French - Objector

5. Officers attending to assist the Sub-Committee

Grainne O'Rourke – Legal Advisor
Melanie Dunsmore - Clerk

6. Decision of the Sub-Committee

The application is granted on the following terms and conditions.

Licensable activities and times permitted:

M: Supply of Alcohol

Monday 10.00 to 22.00 hours
Tuesday 10.00 to 22.00 hours
Wednesday 10.00 to 22.00 hours

Thursday 10.00 to 22.00 hours
Friday 10.00 to 22.00 hours
Saturday 10.00 to 22.00 hours
Sunday 10.00 to 22.00 hours

Hours premises to be open to the public

Monday 06.00 to 22.00 hours
Tuesday 06.00 to 22.00 hours
Wednesday 06.00 to 22.00 hours
Thursday 06.00 to 22.00 hours
Friday 06.00 to 22.00 hours
Saturday 06.00 to 22.00 hours
Sunday 06.00 to 22.00 hours

Mandatory conditions:

As provided in the Licensing Act 2003

Other conditions:

1. Any CCTV should be installed and maintained at the premises to the satisfaction of the Licensing Authority and Police. As a minimum it shall enable surveillance of both internal and external areas of the premises including all entrances and exits. Recordings from the system shall be to a standard acceptable as evidence in a court of law and shall be securely retained for a minimum of 30 days after the recording and shall be surrendered to Hampshire Constabulary or the Licensing Authority immediately on request.
2. The holder of the premises licence shall ensure that every individual who appears to be under 21 years of age seeking to purchase or be supplied with alcohol at or from the premises shall produce means of identification of a category to type previously agreed by acceptable to the Licensing Authority providing that individual to be 18 years of age or older. If the person seeking alcohol is unable to produce acceptable means of identification, no sale or supply of alcohol will be made to or for that person.
3. While the shop is open for service of alcohol to the public there will always be a personal licence holder on the premises.
4. Between the hours of 19.00 – 22.00 hours the staffing levels at the premises shall be at least two persons.

7. Reasons for the Decision

The Sub-Committee carefully considered the evidence, both written and oral, supplied by the parties.

In respect of the start time for the sale of alcohol the applicant varied the time from 8.00am to 10.00am in response to a concern expressed by the Sub-Committee about the potential of school children seeking to acquire alcohol prior to attending school.

The Sub-Committee heard from Mr Coy that in the two years that he owned the station that there had been no attempted break-ins; whilst the alarm had gone off a few times, this was down to a fault and not as a result of a break-in.

The Sub-Committee considered that the sale of alcohol would not result in an increase in anti-social behaviour amongst young people as long as the staffing levels in the service station were increased to two between the hours of 19.00 and 22.00 hours.

The Sub-Committee considered that there was no highway impediment to granting the application. This would act as a deterrent to anyone seeking to cause trouble whilst the premises were open.

Date: 29.10.07

Licensing Sub-Committee Chairman: Cllr G C Beck

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