Minutes of Licensing Sub-Committee

Meeting Date: Wednesday, 8 October 2014 starting at 10am

Councillors:

J Alcock J Holgate M Thomas

In attendance: Solicitor, Licensing Officer, Mrs Joanna Creighton, Councillor M Ranson, Neil Goodwin and Carol Smith.

DOVE SYKE NURSERY, EAVES HALL LANE, WEST BRADFORD

Committee considered a report submitted by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services on the determination of an application required under Section 35 of the Licensing Act 2003. The Applicant had made an application to vary the premises licence to include the sale of alcohol on the premises as well as off the premises. There was also an application to vary the hours of opening.

The Applicant reported that she had received several enquiries regarding small parties having a cider tasting on site followed by drinks on the premises. She felt the application for her licence to include the sale of alcohol on site would cover these events and so would not be in breach of her licence.

Councillor Ranson was given the opportunity to make representations and informed Committee that he did not want to stop the development of the business but was concerned about the isolated position of the site with particular reference to access for the public.

Neil Goodwin and Carol Smith were also given an opportunity to make representations and expressed their concern about the knock-on effect of noise in this extremely rural and quiet area. Safe access was also an issue of concern.

The Applicant reassured the Committee that the variation to the licence was only to accommodate small groups of people and acknowledged that if the licence was varied, that a planning application would also need to be submitted as the current conditions restricted the use.

RESOLVED: That Committee refuse the application to vary the licence.

The Sub-Committee's notice of determination can be found at www.ribblevalley.gov.uk/downloads/file/9786/dove_syke_nursery

The meeting closed at 10.35am.

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