

Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee

Wednesday, 29th November 2023 at 2:00pm via MS Teams

To consider if any interim steps are required following application by Northamptonshire Police for summary review of the Premises Licence for Quality Food 4 You trading as Braces News, 99 -101 Montagu Street, Kettering.

Attendees:

Cllr Ekins (Chair) Cllr Bone Cllr Wilkes

Louise Delavaloire – Legal Advisor

Russell Howell - Licensing Manager

PC David Bryan - Northamptonshire Police

Carol Munday – Committee Administrator

An application for summary review of the premises licence for Quality Food 4 You trading as Braces News, 99-101 Montagu Street, Kettering was received from Northamptonshire Police at 11.22 a.m on Tuesday 28 November 2023.

The summary review process is an expedited process within the Licensing Act 2003 where there must be evidence of serious crime or serious violence or both.

The process has two stages, an initial interim steps consideration which must be carried out within 48 hours of the application being received followed by a formal review hearing within 28 days of the application being received.

This hearing has been held to consider the interim steps.

The sub-committee considered Northamptonshire Police's application for summary review and the accompanying certificate of the relevant Superintendent under section 53a(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003.

The sub-committee are satisfied that the test for utilising the summary review process as the alleged criminal activity detailed results in substantial financial gain.

There serious concerns that the licensing objectives in relation to the prevention of crime and disorder and public safety are being undermined by criminal activity at the licensed premises.

The sub-committee concludes that it is necessary to implement the interim step of suspending the premises licence pending the full review hearing.

The review hearing will take place at 09:30am on 21st December 2023 at Swanspool Annexe, Doddington Road, Wellingborough, Northants, NN8 1BP.