

## Agenda Item 6

Licensing Sub Committee

19 January 2010

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**Schedule of applications for Sub Committee approval where an agreed position has been reached and all parties have agreed a hearing is unnecessary.**

### Summary

The report details these applications.

### Recommendation

**That this application be granted as applied for subject to the agreed positions set out in the schedule below, any relevant statutory conditions and the applicants having complied with relevant statutory requirements.**

#### a) Reasons for Recommendation

To ensure full compliance with statutory processes.

#### b) Alternative Options

The Licensing Authority must grant these applications as all parties have agreed a position which they consider makes a hearing unnecessary.

#### c) Risk Considerations

Applications must be dealt with within the statutory time limits.

#### d) Policy and Budgetary Considerations

Officers have taken into account the Council's Licensing Policy in making the recommendation.

#### e) Date for Review of Decision

The council's decision may be appealed to the Magistrates Court. The Licensing Act 2003 also contains review provisions.

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### 1. Legislation Background

- 1.1 Under the Licensing Act 2003 it is unclear whether applications where an agreed position has been reached and the parties do not consider a hearing to be necessary, require to be formally determined by a licensing sub committee, as opposed to relying on determination powers delegated to officers. To put the matter beyond doubt, these applications are reported to members for their approval of the agreed position. This process also enables members to be advised of the success of the informal mediation in advance of hearings, which is facilitated by Licensing Officers or sometimes by other Responsible Authorities.

## 2 Schedule of Applications

Type of Application	Name of premises and address	Agreed position reached by the parties
Application for the variation of a premises licence	The Q Club Elm Grove Exmouth	<p>Following mediation the applicants and the Devon &amp; Cornwall Constabulary have agreed that they consider a hearing to be unnecessary if the following agreed position is approved.</p> <p>The existing digital CCTV system will be extended to cover the new bar area and data to be kept for fourteen (14) days. Should the equipment become inoperative the Police and Licensing Authority must be informed within seven (7) days and immediate steps to be taken to restore the equipment to full working order.</p> <p>Suitable doorstaff must be employed when licensable activities are taking place from when the premises are opened until 30 minutes after the premises close. A minimum of one doorstaff to be employed on the entrance with a ratio of 1:75 inside.</p>
<b>Recommendation</b>	Recommend approval of application subject to the amended operating schedule	

### **Legal Implications**

Included within the report

### **Financial Implications**

No apparent financial implications

### **Background Papers**

- The relevant licensing application
- Representations received from Responsible Authorities
- Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003
- The District Council's Statement of Licensing Policy

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