Report of the Head of Elections, Licensing and Registration

Report to the Licensing Sub Committee

Date: 24th April 2018

Subject: Application for the grant of a premises licence for Freedom Mills Unit 47, Washington Street, Kirkstall, Leeds, LS3 1JQ.

| Are specific electoral Wards affected? | ☒ Yes | ☐ No |
| If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): | City & Hunslet |
| Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| Is the decision eligible for Call-In? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: | |
| Appendix number: | |

Summary of main issues

This is an application for the grant of a premises licence, made by Freedom Mills Ltd, for Freedom Mills Unit 47, Washington Street, Kirkstall, Leeds, LS3 1JQ.

Responsible authorities and Ward Members have been notified of this application.

The application has attracted representations from responsible authorities.

This application was first listed for hearing on the 27th March. At the hearing the applicant requested an adjournment and the licensing sub-committee agreed to adjourn until the 24th April.
1 **Purpose of this report**

1.1 To advise Members of an application made under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 ("the Act") for a new premises licence in respect of the above mentioned premises.

1.2 Members are required to consider this application due to the receipt of representations.

2 **History of the premises**

2.1 This is the first premises licence application for these premises.

3 **The application**

3.1 The applicant’s name is Freedom Mills Ltd.

3.2 The proposed designated premises supervisor is Mr Kyle McSparron.

3.3 In summary the application is for:

   Performance of plays, Exhibition of a film, Indoor sporting events, Boxing or wrestling events, Performance of live music, Performance of recorded music, Performance of dance, Provision of facilities for making music, Provision of facilities for dancing, Anything of a similar description, Sale by retail of alcohol.

   Everyday 12:00 – 05:00

   Late night refreshment

   Everyday 23:00 – 05:00

4 **The operating schedule**

4.1 The applicant proposes to promote the licensing objectives by taking the steps identified in the proforma risk assessment which is attached at Appendix A.

5 **Location**

5.1 A map which identifies the location of this premises is attached at Appendix B.

6 **Representations**

6.1 Under the Act representations can be received from responsible authorities or other persons. Representations must be relevant and, in the case of another person, must not be frivolous or vexatious.

   **Representations from Responsible Authorities**

6.2 Representations have been received from the Licensing Department in their capacity as a responsible authority which may be found at Appendix C.
6.3 West Yorkshire Police also made a representation to this application but agreements were reached with the applicant and was therefore withdrawn. A copy of the representation and the agreement may be found at Appendix D.

Other representations

6.4 There are no other representations.

7 Licensing hours

7.1 Members are directed to paragraphs 6.8 to 6.15 of the Statement of Licensing Policy which states the criteria that will be applied to any decision for new applications or variations which include extending hours.

7.2 In brief the Policy states at 6.14 that restrictions may be made to the proposed hours of use where, after receiving relevant representations, the council considers it appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives to do so.

7.3 The council will take into account the existing pattern of licensed premises in an area when considering what is appropriate to promote the objectives. Applications which are significantly out of character for a locality will need to demonstrate that granting the hours sought will not adversely impact on the licensing objectives.

7.4 A list of premises in the local area and their licensed hours and activities is provided at Appendix E.

8 Equality and diversity implications

8.1 At the time of writing this report there were no implications for equality and diversity. Any decision taken by the licensing subcommittee will be in accordance with the four licensing objectives as prescribed by the Licensing Act 2003.

9 Options available to Members

9.1 The licensing subcommittee must take such of the following steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:

- Grant the application as requested.
- Grant the application whilst imposing additional conditions and/or altering in any way the proposed operating schedule.
- Exclude any licensable activities to which the application relates.
- Refuse to specify the said person as the designated premises supervisor.
- Reject the whole or part of the application.

9.2 Members of the licensing subcommittee are asked to note that they may not reject the whole or part of the application merely because they consider it desirable to do so. It must be appropriate in order to promote the licensing objectives.
10 Background papers

- Guidance issued under s182 Licensing Act 2003
- Leeds City Council Statement of Licensing Policy