

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

REGULATORY AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of meeting held on **1 AUGUST 2011** at

Loxley House from 10.30 am to 11.22 am

- ✓ Councillor Grocock (Chair)
 - ✓ Councillor Cresswell (Vice-Chair)
 - ✓ Councillor Ali
 - ✓ Councillor Ibrahim
 - ✓ Councillor Jenkins
 - ✓ Councillor Khan
 - ✓ Councillor MacLennan
 - ✓ Councillor Packer
 - ✓ Councillor Parton
 - ✓ Councillor Saghir
 - ✓ Councillor Smith
 - ✓ Councillor Spencer
 - ✓ Councillor Wildgust
- ✓ Indicates present at meeting

Officers in attendance

Mrs A Barrett - Senior Solicitor)
Mr M J Parker - Constitutional Services Officer) Resources

7 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Cresswell, MacLennan, Parton and Wildgust (on other City Council business).

8 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made.

9 MINUTES

The Chair of the meeting was of the opinion that this item, although not included on the agenda, should be considered as a matter of urgency in accordance with Section 100(b) (4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, in view of the meeting pattern of this Committee, which was dependent on business to transact, and the desirability of having the minutes of the previous meeting held on 21 July 2011 confirmed without a, possibly extended, delay.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 21 July 2011, copies of which were circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

10 APPLICATION FOR SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE
- FLIRTZ, 26A FRIAR LANE

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of Communities, copies of which had been circulated, regarding a request to determine whether a Sex Establishment Licence should be granted for the premises known as Flirtz, 26a Friary Chambers, Friar Lane, Nottingham. Copies of appendix 4 of the report and the second page of the Safety and Security Policy were circulated as these had unfortunately been omitted when the report was published.

Mr P Thompson and Ms A Town, (both Directors and Shareholders of the Applicant Company, Alljay Leisure Limited,) accepted the Committee's invitation to attend the meeting. The Applicant Company was represented by Mr D Lucas, Solicitor, Messrs Fraser Brown Solicitors., Nottingham, who presented the application.

Mrs Barrett, in the absence of a representative of the Corporate Director of Communities, presented the report. The Committee was advised that Nottinghamshire Police were the only respondents to the application and that, following discussions, the Police had agreed certain terms and conditions with the applicant should the Committee be minded to grant the licence.

Mr Lucas presented the application and summarised the professional expertise of the Applicant Company and its Officers who had been involved with these premises since December 2006 and running them since June 2007. In addition the Committee was made aware that the Company also operated a similar venue in Skegness. Mr Lucas, together with the Mr Thompson and Ms Town, were available and answered questions from the Committee on capacity management, client management at the entrance to the premises, under-age policies and employment and training of door and security staff.

Mr Lucas, Mr Thompson and Ms Town made their final submissions and withdrew.

RESOLVED

- (1) **that the application in respect of Sex Establishment Licence for the premises known as Flirtz, 26a Friary Chambers, Friar Lane, Nottingham, be granted, for the following hours:**

Monday – Friday	21:00 – 03:00 the following day
Saturday and Sunday	12:00 – 03:00 the following day

New Years Eve from the normal commencement hour through until 04:00 on 2 January

Bank Holiday Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from the normal commencement hour until 04:00 the following day;

- (2) that the licence be subject to the Council's Standard Conditions for Sexual Entertainment Venues;
- (3) that the licence also be subject to the following Special Conditions which had been agreed between the Applicant and the Police but which were amended slightly by the Committee as indicated in italics:-
 1. The designated premises supervisor, or person nominated by him in writing to be in charge that night shall ensure:
 - (a) That an effective system exists for determining the number of persons on the premises at any one time. This system to be used at all times when the premises are open.
 - (b) Staff tasked with monitoring and controlling access to the premises, and management staff, are to be aware of the occupancy figures for the entire premises and where appropriate specific areas within the premises.
 - (c) Staff tasked with monitoring and controlling access to the premises will be instructed as to how the occupancy figure is to be monitored and the action to be taken when the maximum occupancy figure is reached.
 2. Unless agreed otherwise *in-writing* by the Police, there will be a minimum of three security industry Authority registered door supervisors present at the premises during hours of operation when live dancing is taking place, one of whom must be on the front entrance.
 3. A taxi calling service shall be available to customers at all times that the premises are open. Seating shall be made available inside the premises for customers who are waiting for a taxi. Door supervisors are to escort customers to taxis when practicable.
 4. All windows facing Friary Chambers shall be obscured to prevent observation of the interior of the premises when entertainment is taking place.
 5. The applicant company shall surrender this *premises Sex Establishment* licence if its lease is forfeited or surrendered or otherwise transferred to Ian Walker or Kieran Armstrong or any company in which either or both of them have an interest