

Decisions taken by the Licensing Sub Committee on Friday, 24 January 2020



**Notice dated:**

Issued to all councillors and senior officers.

**DECISIONS:**

Item No	Matter	Decision	Reason(s) for Decision
6	Review of Premises licence. Ocean Spice, 43 White Rock, Hastings	To consider an application to review the Premises Licence as a result of representations received.	<p><b><u>RESOLVED</u> (unanimously) to REVOKE the premises licence</b></p> <p><b><u>The reason for the decision was:</u></b></p> <p><b>-</b> <b>The committee has listened carefully to all submissions and believe that revocation is the only option available to the committee at this time. The licensing objectives have been seriously undermined.</b></p> <p><b>Our role is to solely determine what steps should be taken in connection with the premises license, for the promotion of the crime prevention objective.</b></p>

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**The committee was shocked to read the witness statements that the police and immigration services were subject to a hostile reception and a lack of cooperation. We are particularly shocked by the number of alleged violent incidents and although we are not here to pass judgment of guilt pertaining to those incidents, we can be mindful when making our decision.**

**Licensing guidance at para 11.27 states that, for employing a person who is disqualified from work by reason of their immigration status in the UK, should be treated particularly seriously.**

**There have been three occasions where the applicant has been deemed to have employed illegal workers over a prolonged period of time. We have seen no formal evidence of past appeals being lodged and the fines still remain outstanding.**

**Whilst we have been asked to consider certain conditions on the license, we believe any conditions wouldn't stop**

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			<b>the licensing objectives from being undermined in the future because the premises would still be under the same organisational control.</b>
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