

# Summary of Licensing Sub-Committee Decision taken on 24 September 2019

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## Part I

**Application No. 19/00975/LQN - Spoons Coffee Shop, 7 The Colonnade, Tilehurst, Reading, RG31 6PR (Item 2(1))**

### NOTICE OF DECISION

The Licensing Sub-Committee of West Berkshire Council met on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and resolved to approve Application **19/00975/LQN** in respect of **Spoons Coffee Shop, 7 The Colonnade, Tilehurst, Reading, RG31 6PR** subject to a number of conditions which are set out below.

In coming to their decision, the Sub-Committee had regard to the four licensing objectives, which are:

1. the prevention of crime and disorder;
2. public safety;
3. the prevention of public nuisance; and
4. the protection of children from harm.

They also considered the Department of Culture, Media and Sport Guidance on the Licensing Act 2003 and West Berkshire Council's licensing policy.

There were no oral representations made to the Sub-Committee.

The Licensing Sub-Committee considered the representations of the following who did not attend:

1. The Applicant: Ms Michelle Spooner
2. The Objector: Ms Theresa Page

### Decision

Having taken those representations into account, the Licensing Sub-Committee RESOLVED that Application 19/00975LQN be granted subject to the conditions as set out in the operating schedule, including conditions agreed with Thames Valley Police as a Responsible Authority, and any relevant mandatory conditions as prescribed by the Licensing Act 2003 or secondary legislation.

### Reasons

1. The Sub-Committee noted that the Council as Licensing Authority must determine

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each application under the Licensing Act 2003 on its merits, and every decision must be justified and proportionate based on the available evidence

2. The Sub Committee noted that the representation received had indicated concerns on the basis of all four licensing objectives. However, the Sub Committee did not consider that the objection to this Application raised was supported by evidence which would be sufficient to justify refusal of the Licence or the imposition of any additional conditions to those referred to above. It was noted that the objector referred in part to historical concerns, but that the application was in effect for a new licensed premises
  
3. In reaching its decision the Sub Committee also noted that none of the Responsible Authorities had raised objections to the Application on the grounds of public safety, the protection of children from harm, crime and disorder or public nuisance.

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| <b>Cllr James Cole</b>  | (Chairman) |
| <b>Cllr Jeff Beck</b>   |            |
| <b>Cllr Tony Linden</b> |            |
| <b>Date:</b> 01.10.19   |            |