

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
LICENSING COMMITTEE
HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL
ON 29th APRIL, 2019**

PRESENT –

Councillor K. Turner – Chairman (in the Chair)

Councillors

*M. Iqbal (Substitute)
P. A. McCormick
B. Newman
K. E. Shore*

Officers in attendance:

<i>N. Watson</i>	<i>Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager</i>
<i>H. Culshaw</i>	<i>Head of Legal Services</i>
<i>M. Armfield</i>	<i>Licensing Enforcement Officer</i>
<i>A. Smith</i>	<i>Licensing Officer</i>
<i>J. Watson</i>	<i>Head of Democratic Services</i>

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L. M. Crossley, D. E. Lord, J. Purcell, M. Sakib, G. Waugh and S. Wicks).



19. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests.

20. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 18th March, 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**21. APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003
117 REGENT STREET, NELSON**

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report requesting consideration of an application for a Premises Licence at 117 Regent Street, Nelson. This was in response to representations received from Pendle Borough Council Licensing Service and Lancashire County Council Trading Standards.

The concerns raised were that it was believed that there could be possible links between the applicant and the previous owners/management of the premises which could result in repeat instances of illicit tobacco being sold. This gave rise to concern in relation to the prevention of crime and disorder licensing objective. The reason for this was that the applicant and the previous owners/management were registered as living at the same premises in Reedley. Although the applicant said he had lived in Burnley for the past two years.

Details of the sale of the goodwill and assets of the business at 117 Regent Street, Nelson were circulated at the meeting.

RESOLVED

That having listened to the representations made the application for a Premises Licence be granted in respect of 117 Regent Street, Nelson subject to the following conditions:

- (1) That the current stock be checked and recorded and the invoices for all subsequent purchases be made available for inspection at all times.
- (2) That Safdar Mahmood, Arfan Zafar and Imran Zafar have no involvement whatsoever in the running of the business at 117 Regent Street, Nelson at any stage.

REASON

To help achieve the licensing objectives.

Chairman _____