

19 December 2017

**TITLE OF REPORT:**     **Application for the transfer of a Premises Licence**  
Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley,  
DH3 1EE

**REPORT OF:**           **Strategic Director, Communities & Environment:**  
Licensing Officer

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## **1.     PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

The Sub-Committee is asked to consider the application to transfer the premises licence for Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, DH3 1EE from Susan McAlear to Ishfaq Hussain.

The application has been brought before the Sub-committee following a representation /objection made by Northumbria Police.

## **2.     BACKGROUND**

### **The Applications**

The application submitted by Ishfaq Hussain ('Applicant') to transfer the Premises Licence for Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, DH3 1EE is attached as Appendix 1.

### **Representation**

Northumbria Police objected to the application on the grounds the licensing objective of the prevention of crime and disorder would be undermined. The objection is attached as Appendix 2.

### **Parties**

The Parties to the hearing will be:

- a) The Applicant, Ishfaq Hussain
- b) Susan McAlear
- c) Northumbria Police.

## **3.     FOR CONSIDERATION**

The areas for consideration by the Sub-Committee are:

- The transfer application; and
- The representation.

#### **4. THE POLICY**

When carrying out its functions the Sub-Committee must have regard to:

- (a) the Statement of Gateshead Council's Licensing Policy,
- (b) the Licensing Act 2003
- (c) the Amended Guidance (April 2017) issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 by the Secretary of State.

Some parts of the Policy and Amended Guidance are reproduced in Appendices 3 and 4. The parties may refer to the policy and guidance during the hearing.

#### **5. FOR DECISION**

The Licensing Authority may, having regard to the application, take the following steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:

- Grant the application; or
- Refuse the application.

**APPENDICES**

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| Appendix | 1 | Application to transfer the Premises Licence   |
| Appendix | 2 | Representation from Northumbria Police   |
| Appendix | 3 | Relevant Extracts from Gateshead Council's Licensing Policy                            |
| Appendix | 4 | Relevant Extracts from the Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 |