

**NOTICE OF DECISION  
LICENSING PANEL – 16th MAY 2017  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982  
APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUE LICENCE  
LA CONFIDENTIAL - 1 HIGH STREET, EALING, W5 5DB (Ealing Broadway Ward)**

**Decision**

Having carefully considered the papers before it, the Panel's decision was to **grant the application.**

**Reasons for the Decision**

1. None of the mandatory reasons for refusing the application as set out in paragraph 12(1) of Schedule 3 to the 1982 Act were applicable
2. The discretionary reasons for refusal set out at paragraph 12(3)a) and 12(3)(b) were also not applicable since this ground was not cited by the objector and no evidence was provided in this regard
3. The Council's policy states that a maximum of 2 sexual entertainment venues could be allowed in Ealing Town Centre, so the discretionary ground at 12(3)(c) was not made out as this is the only qualifying venue in the area
4. Of the remaining three discretionary grounds set out at 12(3)(d) the objector emphasised two: (d)(i) "...[that the grant or renewal of the licence would be inappropriate having regard] to the character of the relevant locality", and (d)(ii) "...[that the grant or renewal of the licence would be inappropriate having regard] to the use which any premises in the vicinity are put"
5. The Panel noted the objector's written and verbal submissions in support of the ground (d)(i) about the changing nature of the area and the increase in residential units. However the Panel held that whilst there is new residential development most was not in the immediate vicinity of the premises, and that the area remained predominantly commercial.
6. With regard to ground d(ii), the Panel held that there was no evidence of any new sensitive uses, nor changes to any existing sensitive uses (which have been taken into account at each licence renewal), in the vicinity of the premises that would have a bearing on the suitability of the location of the premises.

The Panel for the above reasons held that the continued use of the premises as a Sexual Entertainment Venue **would not be inappropriate and that the licence should be granted.**