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# Agenda

Meeting: Licensing Sub-Committee

Date: **17 April 2018** Time: **2.00 pm** 

Place: Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone

To: To all members of the Licensing Sub Committee – Councillors

Mrs Hollingsbee, Laws and Tillson

The sub-committee will consider the matters listed below at the date, time and place shown above. The meeting will be open to the press and public.

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### 1. Apologies of absence

### 2. **Declarations of interest**

Members of the Council should declare any interests which fall under the following categories\*:

- a) disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI)
- b) other significant interests (OSI)
- c) voluntary announcements of other interests

### 3. **Declarations of lobbying**

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4. An application for a variation of the premises licence for the Convenience Store at Shell Folkestone, 334-336 Cheriton Road, Folkestone, Kent, CT19 4DP (Pages 3 - 36)

Report DCL/17/44 sets out the facts for the Licensing Committee to consider in determining a variation of a premise licence. The licensing committee is the Licensing Authority acting in a role previously taken by the Magistrates Court. It is, therefore, not appropriate for officers to make additional comments other than in the capacity as a Responsible Authority under the legislation of the Licensing Act 2003. Therefore there are no comments from Legal, Finance or other officers included in this report

- (a) A member with a discloseable pecuniary interest (DPI) must declare the nature as well as the existence of any such interest and the agenda item(s) to which it relates must be stated. A member who declares a DPI in relation to any item must leave the meeting for that item (unless a relevant dispensation has been granted).
- (b) A member with an other significant interest (OSI) under the local code of conduct relating to items on this agenda must declare the nature as well as the existence of any such interest and the agenda item(s) to which it relates must be stated. A member who declares an OSI in relation to any item will need to remove him/herself to the public gallery before the debate and not vote on that item (unless a relevant dispensation has been granted). However, prior to leaving, the member may address the meeting in the same way that a member of the public may do so.
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- membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items, or
- where a member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person, or
- where an item would affect the well-being of a member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position.

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<sup>\*</sup>Explanations as to different levels of interest

## Agenda Item 4

This report will be made public on 9 April 2018



Report No: DCL/17/44

To: Licensing Sub-Committee

Date: 17 April 2018

Status: Non-Executive Decision

Head of service: Ben Geering

SUBJECT: AN APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION OF THE PREMISES

LICENCE FOR THE CONVENIENCE STORE AT SHELL FOLKESTONE, 334-336 CHERITON ROAD, FOLKESTONE,

**KENT CT19 4DP** 

**SUMMARY:** This report sets out the facts for the Licensing Committee to consider in determining a variation of a premise licence. The licensing committee is the Licensing Authority acting in a role previously taken by the Magistrates Court. It is, therefore, not appropriate for officers to make additional comments other than in the capacity as a Responsible Authority under the legislation of the Licensing Act 2003. Therefore there are no comments from Legal, Finance or other officers included in this report

#### **REASONS FOR DETERMINATION:**

The Committee is obliged to determine the application with a view of promoting the 4 licensing objectives. In making its decision the Committee must also have regard to all the representations made and the evidence it hears. The Committee is obliged to have regard to the national guidance and the council's own licensing policy.

### **DETERMINATION:**

The Licensing Sub-Committee is asked to:

- 1. Note the contents of Report DCL/17/44
- 2. Determine the application. The options for determining the application are set out in section 5 below.

#### 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Licensing Act 2003 provides that the sale or supply of alcohol on and off the premise and other licensable activities must be authorised by a premise licence.
- 1.2 The premises has a current premise licence. The premise licence covers 24 hour opening with the sale of alcohol limited to 6am to midnight every day. The site combines the sale of motor vehicle fuel with that of a convenience store. Building works to refurbish the site have just been completed.
- 1.3 The application seeks to extend the sale of alcohol to 24 hours and to extend the opening hours for late night refreshment from 11pm to 5am. (No licence is required to sell hot food between 5am and 11pm.) A copy of the application is enclosed as Appendix 1.
- 1.4 The premises are situated to the north of Cheriton Road between Surrenden Road and Coombe Road. Cheriton Road is a major highway with a mixture of retail, commercial and domestic properties. To the west is St Andrews Methodist Church, to the rear is Morehall Avenue which is entirely residential and to the east is an office and another church. Opposite is a fast food premises and residential properties.
- 1.5 There are no planning restrictions on the opening hours.
- 1.6 Current licence details are enclosed in Appendix 2.

#### 2. APPLICATION

- 2.1 An application has been made for a variation of the premises licence by the licence holder Motor Fuel Limited.
- 2.2 The application is in relation to 334-336 Cheriton Road, Folkestone, Kent.
- 2.3 The application is to extend the hours for the sale of alcohol to cover 24 hours and for late night refreshment between 11pm and 5pm every day.
- 2.4 The applicant is mindful of their responsibilities and has received copies of the objections (see Appendix 3).
- 2.5 The Licensing Act 2003 did not initially permit the sale of alcohol from service stations and motorway services. Case law, however, has allowed Licensing Authorities to issue premise licences to service stations which have a convenience store. The convenience store must be the major activity. This is based on sales. Any calculation has to compare the sale of fuel, before tax, with the sale of groceries. There

is no question, in this case, that the sale of groceries is the major activity.

#### 3. OBSERVATIONS

- 3.1 The Committee must take such steps, as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives:
  - The prevention of crime and disorder
  - Public Safety
  - The prevention of public nuisance
  - The protection of children from harm
- 3.2 The Shepway DC Licensing Policy is available at:

  <a href="http://www.shepway.gov.uk/media/4022/Licensing-Policy-Statement-2016-2021/pdf/Shepway\_District\_Council\_- Licensing\_Policy\_Statement\_2016-2021.pdf">http://www.shepway.gov.uk/media/4022/Licensing-Policy-Statement-2016-2021/pdf</a>/

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- 3.3 The Home Secretary has issued Guidance under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003. This is available at:

  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/explanatory-memorandum-revised-guidance-issued-under-s-182-of-licensing-act-2003">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/explanatory-memorandum-revised-guidance-issued-under-s-182-of-licensing-act-2003</a>

#### 4. RELEVANT REPRESENTATIONS

4.1 This hearing has been required by the Licensing Act 2003 because representation has been made by independent representatives. No representation has been made by any Responsible Authority.

Responsible Authority	Comments
Kent Police	None
Environmental Health (Pollution)	None
Environmental Health (Commercial)	None
Kent Fire and Rescue	None
Planning	None
Child Protection Agency	None

4.2 6 Representations have been received from other interested parties by the Licensing Authority regarding the application. These objections can be found in Appendix 3.

#### 5. OPTIONS

- 5.1 The licensing sub-committee has the following options:
  - a) Grant the Licence variation as requested.
  - b) Grant the Licence variation but add conditions.
  - c) Reject whole or part of the application.

The committee is asked to note that it may not add conditions or reject the whole or part of the application merely because it considers it desirable to do so. The committee must only consider evidence that relates to the 4 licensing objectives. Any conditions must promote the licensing objectives.

#### 6. CONTACT OFFICERS AND BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Councillors with any questions arising out of this report should contact the following officer prior to the meeting:

Arthur Atkins, Environmental Health and Licensing Manager

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Email: arthur.atkins@shepway.gov.uk

No published documents have been relied upon in the preparation of the report.

### Appendices:

Appendix 1 Application (page 7)

Appendix 2 Current licensing hours and conditions. (page 25)

Appendix 3 Relevant Representations (page 29)

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### **Appendix 1 - Shell Garage Cheriton Variation 0218**

Corporate Post Hus Application to vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 0 5 FEB 2018 PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary. You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records. I/We MOTOR FUEL LTD (Insert name(s) of applicant) being the premises licence holder, apply to vary a premises licence under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below Premises licence number SHEP00181/05 Part 1 - Premises Details Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description CONVENIENCE STORE SHELL FOLKESTONE 334-336 CHERITON ROAD Post town **FOLKESTONE** Postcode CT19 4DP Telephone number at premises (if any) 01303 298 600 Non-domestic rateable value of premises £30250 Part 2 - Applicant details Daytime contact 01727 898891 telephone number E-mail address (optional) Current postal address if **BUILDING 2** different from premises ABBEY VIEW **EVERARD CLOSE** address Post town ST ALBANS Postcode AL1 2QU

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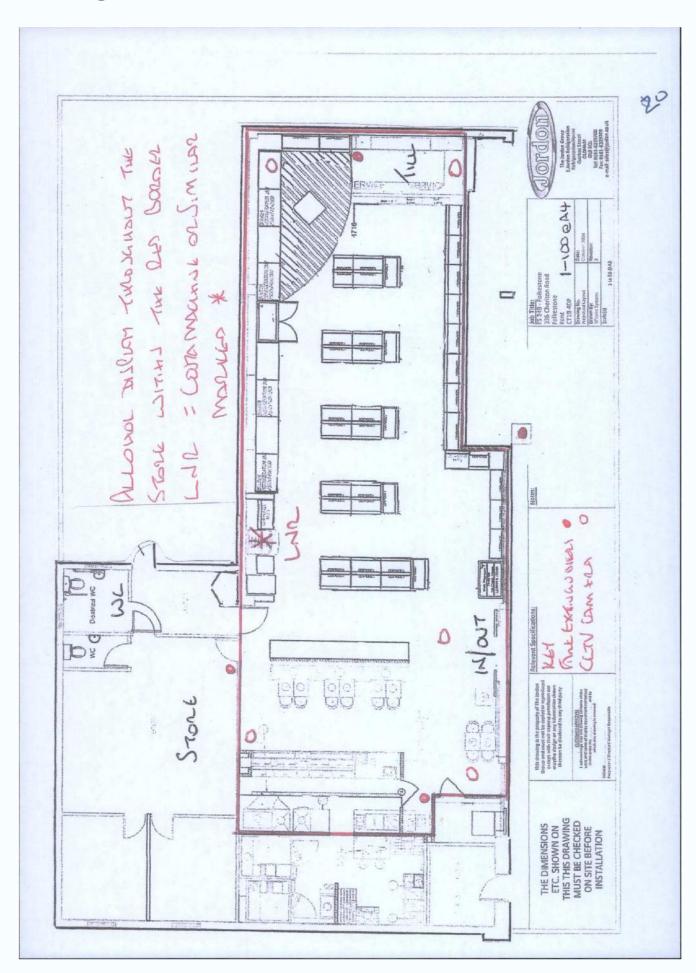
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### **Premises Licence**

**Appendix 2** 

Part A

**Premises Licence Number: SHEP00181/05** 



#### Part 1 - Premise Details

### POSTAL ADDRESS OF PREMISES, OR IF NONE, ORDNANCE SURVEY MAP REFERENCE OR DESCRIPTION

Shell Folkestone 336 Cheriton Road

Folkestone

Kent CT19 4DP Telephone: 01303 298600

### WHERE THE LICENCE IS TIME LIMITED THE DATES

START DATE: 24/11/2005

#### LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES AUTHORISED BY THE LICENCE

Alcohol Sales Off Premises Only

#### THE TIMES THE LICENCE AUTHORISES THE CARRYING OUT OF LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES

Alcohol Sales Off **Premises** Only Monday 06:00 23:00 Tuesday 06:00 23:00 Wednesday 06:00 23:00 Thursday 06:00 23:00 Friday 06:00 23:00 Saturday 06:00 23:00 06:00 23:00 Sunday

#### THE OPENING HOURS OF THE PREMISES (IF GIVEN)

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

### WHERE THE LICENCE AUTHORISES SUPPLIES OF ALCOHOL WHETHER THESE ARE ON AND/OR OFF SUPPLIES

OFF

### NAME, (REGISTERED) ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL (WHERE RELEVANT) OF **HOLDER OF PREMISES LICENCE**

Motor Fuel Limited **Building 2** Abbey View **Everard Close** St Albans AL1 2QU

Telephone: 01727 898890

# REGISTERED NUMBER OF HOLDER, FOR EXAMPLE COMPANY NUMBER, CHARITY NUMBER (WHERE APPLICABLE)

3625633

NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR WHERE THE PREMISES LICENCE AUTHORISES THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Jannath Joganathan 196 Jerome Tower Osborne Road Acton W3 8SP

PERSONAL LICENCE NUMBER AND ISSUING AUTHORITY OF PERSONAL LICENCE HELD BY DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR WHERE THE PREMISES LICENCE AUTHORISES FOR THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

**EALING COUNCIL** 

PERSONAL LICENCE NUMBER: 16LIC10721PERS

#### **Annex 1- Mandatory Conditions**

#### Mandatory conditions where licence authorises supply of alcohol

- (1) Where a premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol, the licence must include the following conditions.
- (2) The first condition is that no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence-
  - (a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
  - (b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
- (3) The second condition is that every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
- (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder shall ensure that an age verification policy applies to the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.
- (2) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and a holographic mark.

#### Annex 2 - Conditions Consistent with the Operating Schedule

General - to meet all objectives

Prevention of Crime & Disorder Operating Schedule CCTV and alarm systems installed

### Annex 3 - Conditions Attached after a Hearing by the Licensing Authority

N/A

Annex 4 - Plans Amended 26/03/2013



### **APPENDIX 3**

Please see the comment below with regard to this licensing application:

Wk/201804341 Shell Petrol Garage, 334-336 Cheriton Road – Premise Variation – Petrol

station with convenience store, to vary alcohol off sales to match opening house, to add late night refreshment 23.00 to 05.00 7 days a week and alteration to plan – Alcohol off sales, late night refreshment – 24 house a day, 7 days a

week.

Closing date 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Comment Object - This is a residential area and should be an 11.00pm closure

I am chair of FTC planning committee . My reading of the debate on the proposal to extend licensing hours from 11.00pm to 5:00am on the Shell Garage in Cheriton Road would be that the prevention of public nuisance would be the main heading , secondarily with crime and disorder . The Committee felt the prominent forecourt was very close to houses . The garage , with an ancillary takeaway , was in a dense suburban area where pedestrians as well as car-owners could get 'tanked up' after pubs chucked out . Youths have been a problem in Cheriton Road periodically and this would reignite the problem . To the extent that the youths might be children, the protection of harm to children may also be relevant .

We will, if Shell can be put on the agenda in time, confirm this on Thursday. We will also have to keep a stock of licensing objection forms for planning meetings, and, as you say, relate our objections to the four criteria in all cases,

Yours sincerely,

Richard Wallace

Folkestone Town Council Town Hall 1-2 Guildhall Street Folkestone CT20 1DY From: Mike Blease

Sent: 17 March 2018 09:51

To: Licencing < <a href="mailto:licencing@shepway.gov.uk">licencing@shepway.gov.uk</a>>

Subject: Shell Garage 336 Cheriton Rd, Folkestone CT19 4DP

Mr and Mrs M Blease 315a Cheriton Road Folkestone CT19 4BG

Dear licensing department,

We are writing to object, in the strongest possible manner, to the proposal for the Shell Garage 336 Cheriton Rd, Folkestone CT19 4DP to sell alcohol from 11pm until 5 am.

This proposal is totally unacceptable to us and our family. We live opposite the premises and we have a fundamental right to peace and quiet. We firmly believe that the proposal will instigate problems which will most likely constitute a statutory nuisance. We fully intend to pursue this as a statutory nuisance if it goes ahead, all for the sake of selling alcohol to drunken idiots in the middle of the night. Is it not enough that the garage is already open until 11.00pm and we are disturbed by people using the cash machine throughout the night and taxis pulling up as it is??

The anticipated problems that this proposal will bring further includes:

Excessive noise, including late night shouting, screaming and vehicle and moped noise, which is already an occasional nuisance and we have spoken to the garage proprietors on at least one occasion about this.

Anti-social behaviour, loitering, vandalism, vomiting, urinating and defecating. Yes, you won't have to live with it will you?

We firmly believe that this proposal will attract alcohol dependant individuals and this will in term affect crime and public safety in the local area.

As a hard working family with young children, we are not prepared to tolerate this proposal due to the variety of reasons I have outlined above.

Please can you explain why alcohol should be served at these times when the destructive influence of excessive alcohol consumption is so well understood in society. Do you no feel you have a moral duty to place reasonable restrictions on the sale of alcohol for the good of everybody, not least the drinkers themselves.

I wish to object on the following grounds as outlined in my previous email.

The prevention of crime & disorder The prevention of public nuisance Public safety

Michael Blease

From: Cathryn Carlisle Sent: 20 March 2018 09:54

To: Licencing < licencing@shepway.gov.uk >

Subject: Extension of licensing hours for the Shell petrol station, Cheriton Road Folkestone.

#### Dear Sir/madam,

We have been informed by our local ward councillors that the above garage has applied for an extension to their licensing hours.

Firstly, this comes as rather an unpleasant shock as we were informed by the council previously that their request to open 24 hours a day had been withdrawn!

Secondly, we think that it would be a very short sighted decision to grant permission to sell alcohol all night. There is a very strong possibility that this would cause an increase in crime and disorder and raise the anti social behaviour and risk of public nuisance in this mainly residential area.

Isn't it about time that the council considered the residents in this area? Surely we deserve to be kept as safe as possible and not be subjected to the risk of further disturbance, especially over night and into the early hours of the morning.

We hope you will seriously consider the effect this could have on the local area and community and reject this application.

Regards

Cathryn & Richard Carlile (307 Cheriton Road)

From: marion apsey

Sent: 26 March 2018 12:54

To: Licencing < licencing@shepway.gov.uk >

Subject: Shell Petrol Garage

We have been advised by our local Cheriton Ward Councillors that you have received an application from the above named petrol garage to extend their licensing hours from 11pm to 5am thus making the opening hours 24 We should like to object this application on grounds of prevention of crime and disorder, and prevention of public nuisance.

Mr & Mrs Apsey 108 Morehall Avenue Cheriton From: Lisa Monk-Jones Sent: 28 March 2018 22:32

Subject: Application by Motor Fuel Limited (Shell Garage) 336 Cheriton Road to extend licence hours

Dear Licencing Department at Shepway District Council,

An application has been lodged by the Shell Petrol Garage at 334-336 Cheriton Road to extend the hours which they can sell alcohol. The applicant is Motor Fuel Limited and the address is Convenience Store, Shell Folkestone, 336 Cheriton Road, Folkestone, Kent, CT19 4DP.

We wish to object to the application to extend the licencing hours in the strongest possible terms.

We believe it should be rejected on the grounds of Prevention of Crime and Disorder, and the Prevention of Public Nuisance. The area is not an area of high traffic. It is a residential area with one of the largest populations/concentrations of young people in Shepway. The site is bordered on all sides with family houses, and the attached multimap shows the concentration of residential properties in the surrounding streets. There are also 9 schools within 1 mile of the site.

Due to the high concentration of young people living in the area, there is a history of anti-social youth behaviour in the area and gangs of young people congregate in areas all around the garage — by the

Co-Op, by KFC and in fact in the smoking area/car space area at the front of the shop. Quite often they are drunk and aggressive – shouting and fighting in the streets and areas surrounding the garage. This is part and parcel of living in a suburban area, and is tolerable as it is usually finished by 11ish. The garage, which currently closes at 11pm wishes to sell alcohol later right through to 5am. In order to do this they would have to open all night and this would bring increasing numbers of young people into a residential area full of young school-age children. It would also bring an increase in traffic as out of area people travel to use the garage again disturbing the sleep and lives of local residents including school children.

Despite the garage apparently having permission to open 24 hours, and stating that is what they do in their application, they in fact, do not and are usually closed by 11.30pm as there is no passing trade after this time. I have attached a photo taken last night at 11.30pm to show the garage is completely shut and in darkness (image 1). This will change and unnecessarily blight the lives of neighbours, especially children living in the surrounding areas, if this application is approved.

We are also concerned that the contempt the applicant held the council in during its initial failed application – not bothering to put up any notices or pay the fee, and its subsequent current one, will be mirrored in the contempt and lack of concern they have for the residents surrounding the garage, and in fact, in the wider Cheriton area. Whilst it could be argued they have complied with the letter of the law in advertising the application, it could also be argued they have not complied with the spirit of the law – their pale blue application signs have been posted at thigh height – please see photo attached (photo 2) – rather than on the taller signs and totem on site, or indeed the parking signpost on the pavement, and not a height at which most people look for licence or planning notices.

There are plenty of nearby places that sell alcohol until 11pm, as does the garage itself, and we would respectfully request that rather than increase the licencing hours for this premises, in line with the government movement to prevent alcohol abuse in the country, that the council enforce an Early morning alcohol restriction order (EMRO) banning the sale of alcohol between 12.00 midnight and 6am in this main residential area within Shepway.

Thank you for your time in reading this objection, and we look forward to hearing from you when we will be able to make representation in person at the hearing.

Kind regards

Lisa Monk-Jones and Kevin Monk

313 Cheriton Road

From: rachel russell

Sent: 28 March 2018 21:04

To: Licencing < licencing@shepway.gov.uk > Subject: Shell Petrol Garage application

To Whom it may concern

I would just like to confirm my objection to Shell's application to extend their licensing time to a 23hr opening. I am appalled at this application as there's is absolutely no need for this petrol station to be nearly open for 24hrs, as Cheriton is generally a guiet area through the night and early hours as it isn't a thoroughfare for constant deliveries or traffic. Cheriton does actually already have a 24hr petrol station in a less built up area which affects very few and so appropriate for this type of business and provides adequate services to those that may require it. Opening these hours will undoubtedly attract unsocial behaviour, disturbing the peace, and potentially attracting criminal behaviour. Unsocial behaviour has been addressed in the past and local businesses have worked to ensure that the area is not attracting this type of behaviour. This station sits directly in front of private housing, right in the centre of many homes, with families and children requiring no unnecessary disturbances, further bright lighting which will keep people awake (including myself as my property along many others, also directly backs onto the garage), noise pollution and public safety. I have also concerns for our children's' safety and wellbeing if this application was to go ahead, especially due to the narrow alley that runs directly in between the Petrol station boundary wall and our back gardens, offering an opportunity for criminal activity to take place and trespassing into private properties.

I am sure that no one would be able to build or plan to build a commercial, 24 hour services in someone's back garden, which this is potentially going to be and so this must be strongly opposed as I have discussed with many of my neighbours, who also fully agree.

Kind regards

Rachel Russell

(Resident of Morehall Avenue, Cheriton)



### SHEPWAY DISTRICT COUNCIL LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE – 17 APRIL 2018

### **Declarations of Lobbying**

Members of the Committee are asked to indicate if they have been lobbied, and if so, how they have been (i.e. letter, telephone call, etc.) in respect of the planning applications below:

Application No:	Type of Lobbying
Convenience Store at Shell Garage Folkestone	
SIGNED:	

When completed, please return this form to the Committee Administrator prior to the meeting.

