

## **BOROUGH OF REIGATE AND BANSTEAD**

### **LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE**

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee held at the Town Hall, Reigate on Friday, 26th August, 2005 at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillor J.M. Ellacott (Chairman); Councillors B.C. Cowle and S.A. Gates.

Also present: Councillor M.H.C. Buttery.

#### **1. LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE – PROCEDURE RULES**

**RESOLVED** that Procedure Rules for meetings of the Licensing Sub-Committee be noted.

#### **2. APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE – THE CHEQUERS PUBLIC HOUSE, CHEQUERS LANE, WALTON-ON-THE-HILL**

The Sub-Committee received a report on an application to vary an existing Justices Licence for the Chequers Public House, Chequers Lane, Walton-on-the-Hill.

The Sub-Committee followed the recently adopted procedure for the consideration of applications under the Licensing Act 2003 taking into account the Statement of Licensing Policy that had been adopted by the Council.

The Sub-Committee were addressed by the Licensing Officer, the applicant's representative, other interested parties (the Ward Member and objectors who had registered to speak), and a representative of the Environmental Protection Team who had originally objected to the application but who had subsequently reached agreement with the applicant on the suggested wording of appropriate conditions. The applicant's representative submitted a revised application, the details of which were read out.

Questions were put to the Licensing Officer, the applicant's representative and other interested parties who were then asked to give their closing statements.

On completion of hearing all the representations, questions/answers and summing up from all parties, the Sub-Committee adjourned to deliberate its decision from 11.56 a.m. to 1.43 p.m. On return the Chairman explained that the Sub-Committee had taken account of the following factors in reaching its decision. Members had noted the existing hours of operation and the rural and residential area in which the public house was situated. Account had also been taken of residents' objections and the comments of the Council's Environmental Protection Officers. Human Rights issues, the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the comments of the applicant had also been noted. The primary purpose behind the decision had been to promote the licensing objectives relating to the prevention of public nuisance.

**RESOLVED** that the application for the variation of the existing Justices Licence for the Chequers Public House, Chequers Lane, Walton-on-the-Hill be granted as follows:

(i) **Section B (Films):**

Mondays to Saturdays 0800 hours to 2300 hours  
Sundays 0800 hours to 2230 hours;

(ii) **Section C (Indoor Sporting Events):**

Mondays to Saturdays 0800 hours to 2330 hours  
Sundays 0800 hours to 2230 hours;

(iii) **Section E (Live Music), Section I (Provision of Facilities for Making Music), Section J (Provision of Facilities for Dancing) and Section K (Provision of Facilities for Entertainment of a Similar Description to that Falling within Sections I or J) (subject to the provisions of (viii) below):**

Indoors – (not including a marquee):

Mondays to Fridays 1900 hours to 2300 hours  
Saturdays 1200 hours to 2300 hours  
Sundays 1200 hours to 2230 hours;

Outdoors – (including within a marquee) subject to music being non-amplified and the number of such events being limited to five per calendar year:

Mondays to Sundays 1200 hours to 2000 hours;

(iv) **Section F (Recorded Music), Section G (Performance of Dance) and Section H (anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)):**

Mondays to Fridays 1900 hours to 2300 hours  
Saturdays 1200 hours to 2300 hours  
Sundays 1200 hours to 2230 hours;

(v) **Section L (Late Night Refreshment):**

Mondays to Saturdays 2300 hours to 0000 hours  
Sundays – not applicable;

(vi) **Section M (Supply of Alcohol):**

Mondays to Thursdays 0800 hours to 2330 hours  
Fridays and Saturdays 0800 hours to 0000 hours  
Sundays 0800 hours to 2230 hours

Non-standard timings (not to apply to the provision of regulated entertainment) will be 0700 hours to 0000 hours on the following days:

New Year's Day, Valentine's Day, Burns Night, St. David's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Thursday before Good Friday, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Sunday, St. George's Day, Sunday of May Bank Holiday, Sunday of Spring Bank Holiday, Sunday of Summer Bank Holiday, St. Andrew's Day, 23rd December, Christmas Eve, Christmas

Day, Boxing Day, 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th December. In addition the non-standard timings for New Year's Eve shall be 0700 hours to 0100 hours.

(vii) **Section O (Hours Premises are Open to the Public):**

Mondays to Thursdays 0800 hours to 0000 hours

Fridays and Saturdays 0800 hours to 0030 hours

Sundays 0800 hours to 2300 hours

Non-standard timings to be the same as for Section M (Supply of Alcohol) set out in (vi) above except that closing times shall be 30 minutes later in each case;

(viii) no more than twenty-eight events per calendar year involving regulated entertainment, twenty-three of which may take place on the dates of non-standard timings shown in Sections M (Supply of Alcohol) and O (Hours Premises are Open to the Public) set out in (vi) and (vii) above. No more than five of the twenty-eight events per year shall be held outside (including within a marquee) and these shall be non-amplified events to finish no later than 2000 hours. No more than two of the further five events shall be held in the same week;

(ix) the Licensee shall ensure that all music provided at the premises shall not cause a disturbance to local residents. At all times, any music shall be inaudible in any residential property, the test of which is that it shall be no more than barely audible at the boundary of any residential property;

(x) no use of outdoor areas by patrons after 2300 hours, except for ingress to and egress from the premises;

(xi) external lighting to be kept to a minimum compatible with safety purposes after 2300 hours; and

(xii) no emptying of glass bins between 1800 hours and 1000 hours on the following day.

(xiii) signs to be provided requesting customers and staff to leave quietly and with due regard to the neighbouring properties.

3. **MEDIATION CASES**

It was reported that no cases had arisen since the preparation of the Agenda where formal approval was required for applications where agreement had been reached by mediation.

4. **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

None.

**The meeting closed at 1.53 p.m.**