BOROUGH OF REIGATE AND BANSTEAD

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee held at the Town Hall, Reigate on Monday, 19th September 2005 at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillor Mrs G.L. Circus (Chairman); Councillors Mrs D.E. Durward and J.V. Lyndon Morgan.

1. LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE – PROCEDURE RULES

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

2. APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE – MONSON ROAD WORKING MEN'S CLUB, FRENCHES ROAD, REDHILL

The Sub-Committee received a report on an application to vary an existing Justices' Licence for Monson Road Working Men's Club.

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

The Sub-Committee heard the report from the Licensing Officer and representations from the Environmental Protection Team. It was noted that neither the applicant nor the public objectors had indicated that they would be present at the Hearing. It was also noted that the Environmental Protection Team had reached agreement with the solicitors representing the applicant.

Questions were put to the Licensing Officer and the representative of the Environmental Protection Team.

On completion of hearing all the representations, questions/answers and summing up from all parties, the Sub-Committee adjourned to deliberate its decision from 10.07 a.m. to 10.49 a.m. On return the Chairman explained that the Sub-Committee had taken account of the following factors in reaching its decision. The Sub-Committee had paid due regard to the recommendations of the Environmental Protection Team, the representation made by the applicant, and the representations of the public objectors. It was noted that no regard was paid to the absence of both the applicant and the public objectors. The Sub-Committee noted the aims of the Licensing Act 2003 and paid specific regard to the need to promote the licensing objective of prevention of public nuisance. Due regard was also paid to Human Rights legislation and the rules of natural justice. Members considered that the attachment of the agreed conditions would address the concerns raised.

RESOLVED that the application for the variation of the existing Justices' Licence for Monson Road Working Men's Club, Frenches Road, Redhill be granted subject to the following additional conditions:-

(i) For sections C, E, F, J and L concerning regulated entertainment and the sale of alcohol the timings would be as follows:

Monday – Thursday : 19.00 hours to 23.00 hours Friday – Saturday : 19.00 hours to 23.30 hours

Sunday : 11.00 hours to 23.00 hours

(ii) The Licensee shall ensure that any 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.

The Chairman informed those present that notification of the Sub-Committee's decision would be sent out in writing in due course.

3. APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE – THE GREYHOUND, 82 BRIGHTON ROAD, REDHILL

It was reported that the application had been refused following a complaint by a member of the public that the relevant notices had not been displayed on the premises for the required length of time. As a result this Hearing was cancelled.

4. APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE – TUMBLE BEACON, DORKING ROAD, TADWORTH

It was reported that an application had been received for the variation of the Premises Licence in respect of the above property. Members were asked to note that the only representations received to this application had been from the Council's Environmental Protection Team who had subsequently reached agreement with the Solicitors representing the applicant. As a result of mediation between the Licensing Officer, the Solicitors acting on behalf of the applicant and the Environmental Protection Team, all parties had agreed to the following conditions being placed on the Licence:

- (i) The Licensee shall ensure that any 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.
- (ii) No use of outdoor areas by patrons after 23.00 hours, except for ingress to and egress from the premises.
- (iii) External lighting to be kept to a minimum compatible with safety purposes after 23.00 hours.

In view of the fact that agreement had been reached between the parties a full Hearing was not required in respect of this application. Consequently it was

RESOLVED that the application for a variation to the Premises Licence for Tumble Beacon, Dorking Road, Tadworth be agreed subject to the additional conditions (i) to (iii) set out above.

5. 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.

6. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

None.

The meeting closed at 10.53 a.m.