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 6 April 2009 at 10.30 am

Present: Councillor R.S. Mantle (Chairman); Councillors Mrs A.F. Tarrant and Mrs C.M. Poulter.

69. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND RECONSTITUTION OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

There were no apologies for absence and membership of the Sub-Committee was as set out in the agenda.

70. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

71. LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE PROCEDURE RULES

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

72. APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION TO THE CLUB PREMISES CERTIFICATE - DOUBLE SEVEN CLUB, HANWORTH ROAD, REDHILL

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a variation to the Club Premises Certificate for the above club. The application was to extend the hours for the sale of alcohol by one hour, to midnight, on Fridays and Saturdays and on Christmas Eve.

The report before the Sub-Committee set out full details of the application and copies of representations received from local residents, including a petition signed by 32 objectors.

The hearing followed the procedure set out in Appendix B to the agenda.

The Licensing Officer outlined the application before the Committee.

The applicants then presented their case, followed by submissions from a local resident objecting to the application.

In the course of the proceedings it was noted that

- the applicant had volunteered to review the impact of the new operating hours after six months, if the application were granted;
- the objector was keeping a log of noise complaints and issues which would be made available to Council officers; and
- there were no representations from the responsible authorities, whose records showed that the last complaint about the premises was received in 2004.

The applicant and the objector were invited to make their closing statements.

The Sub-Committee adjourned to deliberate at 11.17 am and resumed at 11.52 am.

Decision

The Chairman advised the applicant that the application for a variation to the Club Premises Certificate in respect of the Double Seven Club had been **GRANTED** as applied for.

Reasons for the Decision

1. The Sub-Committee had considered all the papers before it and listened to the oral submissions made by the parties present at the hearing.

2. It noted that there had been no representations from responsible authorities.

3. The Sub-Committee took into account the Council's own Statement of Licensing Policy, the Guidance issued by the Secretary of State under s.182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the impact of the Human Rights Act, having regard to the four licensing objectives:

- to prevent public nuisance
- to prevent crime and disorder
- to promote public safety
- to protect children from harm

4. The Sub-Committee considered that the application met the four licensing objectives.

Observations

The Committee

i. welcomed the applicant's intention to liaise with the objectors in order to keep disturbance to a minimum;

ii. noted that the local residents were keeping a log of any complaints and reminded them that they could seek support from their local Ward Councillors;

iii. recommended that the applicants should use their best endeavours to maintain the inner door closed when the outer door was opened for entry and exit so as to keep noise levels down.

73. **MEDIATION CASES**

None.

The meeting closed at 11.58 am