MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD AT FOLLATON HOUSE, TOTNES ON THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2011

Present: Councillors Baverstock, Carson and Squire G Munson, Licensing and Administration Manager, SHDC T Johnson, Solicitor, SHDC D White, Member Support Services Manager, SHDC N Wopling, Licensing Officer, SHDC

Also in attendance: Cllr Holway (local Ward Member)

LSC.08/11 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

That Cllr Squire be appointed Chairman for the duration of the meeting.

LSC.09/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any interests in the items of business to be considered during the course of the meeting but none were made.

LSC.10/11 TO DETERMINE AN APPLICATION FOR THE VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE AT FILHAM PARK, IVYBRIDGE PL21 0LE

1. Licensing Officer's Report

The Licensing Officer introduced the report to the Sub-Committee and advised that appendix C to the presented agenda report outlined the amendments that had been agreed following initial representations made by the Police Authority. Since these amendments had been agreed by all parties, it had therefore been deemed that a formal hearing would not be necessary.

2. Committee's Deliberations

The Sub-Committee discussed the application between themselves.

In discussion, particular reference was made to:-

- (a) the agreed amendments. Members were informed that noise monitoring work had been undertaken and the application had since been amended to reflect the outcomes of this work. In addition, noise monitoring equipment had been offered to local residents and in the event of noise levels being deemed to have been exceeded, there was a call out service available. The service made provision for officers to be on standby to verify that noise levels were excessive and would insist that (if necessary) these be adjusted accordingly;
- (b) the extent of the variation in this licence. In acknowledging that there were no grounds to refuse this licence, Members did state that the application had varied greatly from the previous year;
- (c) the views of a local Member. In expressing support for the proposals, the Member informed those present that the festival brought positive economic benefits to the local area and the site was considered to be an ideal location.

The Chairman then announced the decision of the Sub-Committee.

3. The Decision

The Chairman announced the decision as follows:

"We have considered the application for a variation to the premises licence.

We have considered the Statement of Licensing Policy, the government guidance and our obligations that relate to the promotion of the four licensing objectives.

Following representation and the agreement reached between parties, we now note all parties consider a hearing unnecessary. We agree.

It is our decision therefore to grant this application subject to the agreed amendments being incorporated into the operating schedule."

Chairman