LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Thursday 26th May 2005, at 6.00 pm in Committee Room 3. The Council House. Dudley

PRESENT:-

Councillor Ryder (Chairman)
Councillors Blood, Mrs Coulter, Donegan, Finch, Mottram, Taylor and Tomkinson

Officers

The Director of Law and Property and Mrs J Holland (Directorate of Law and Property).

1 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 6th May 2005, be approved as a correct record and signed.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors Mrs Ameson, Bradney, Ms Craigie, Mrs Dunn, Hart-Bowman, J Woodall and Wright.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Blood declared a Prejudicial interest, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct in agenda item number 8 (Grant of a Public Entertainments Licence – The Crestwood Public House), in view of a short discussion he had had with the applicant regarding the licence.

4 <u>CHANGE OF ORDER OF BUSINESS</u>

Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 13 (c) it was

RESOLVED

That the remaining items of business be considered in the following order:-

Agenda item numbers 9, 8, 7, and 6

5 APPOINTMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEES

A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on the appointment of five Licensing Sub-Committees for the municipal year 2005/2006, their membership and substitution arrangements. Appendix 1 to the report submitted set out the functions allocated to the Committee which it was proposed be delegated to the Sub-Committees. Appendix 2 set out details of the membership of the Sub-Committees in 2004/05.

Regarding the membership of the Sub-Committees it was proposed that the only changes be that Councillor J Woodall replace Councillor Vickers, who was no longer a member of the Committee, as Chairman of Sub-Committee 2 and that Councillor Wright replace Councillor Mrs Coulter as Chairman of Sub-Committee 4, with Councillor Mrs Coulter remaining as a member of that Sub-Committee. The Committee asked that their thanks be conveyed to Councillor Vickers for his contribution to the work of the Committee.

RESOLVED

- (1) That five Licensing Sub-Committees, numbered 1 to 5, be established to deal with all licensing applications requiring member determination in accordance with functions allocated to the Licensing and Safety Committee as set out in Appendix 1 to the report submitted.
- (2) That the membership of the Sub-Committees for 2005/2006 be as set out in Appendix 2 to the report submitted subject to the following changes:-
 - Sub-Committee 2:- Councillor J Woodall (Chairman) in place of Councillor Vickers.
 - Sub-Committee 4:- Councillor Wright (Chairman), Councillor Mrs Coulter member of the Sub-Committee.
- (3) That the substitution arrangements set out in the Council's procedure rules be noted and applied to the Licensing Sub-Committees subject to an eligibility requirement that any named substitute must be:
 - (a) appointed to the Licensing and Safety Committee
 - (b) otherwise eligible to serve on any given occasion; and

(c) notified to the Director of Law and Property prior to the commencement of the meeting in question and that Democratic Services be responsible for arranging substitutes for Sub-Committees.

6 APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENTS LICENCE – THE CRESTWOOD PUBLIC HOUSE

(Having previously declared a Prejudicial interest, Councillor Blood withdrew from the meeting during consideration of the matter).

A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on an application made by Ms J Davies for the grant of a public entertainments licence in respect of the premises known as The Crestwood Public House, Blenheim Road, Kingswinford.

Ms Davies was in attendance at the meeting.

Mrs J Elliott, Licensing Officer, Directorate of Law and Property, presented the case on behalf of the Council.

Mrs D Nellany, Food and Occupational Safety Manager, Directorate of the Urban Environment, was also in attendance and commented on the content of Appendix 1 to the report submitted.

RESOLVED

That the application made by Ms J Davies for the grant of a public entertainments licence in respect of The Crestwood Public House, Blenheim Road, Kingswinford, be approved for a period of twelve months subject to the following days and times and condition:

Monday – Saturday 11.00 am - 11.00 pmSunday 12 noon - 10.30 pm

That all doors and windows of the premises be kept closed during periods of public entertainment.

7 APPLICATION FOR A FRENCH MARKET

A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted, on an application made by Mr E Marzoline, for the grant of consent to engage in street trading for a French Market in High Street, Dudley on 9th to 11th June 2005.

As the applicant was not in attendance at the meeting, but had informed the Committee of the reason for his absence, it was

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred for consideration at the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee 1, to be held on 27th May 2005, when the applicant would be available to attend.

8 APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF STREET COLLECTION PERMIT – DIALOGUE DIRECT

A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on an application made by Ms J Condon of Dialogue Direct for the grant of a street collection permit on behalf of Shelter.

As the applicant was not in attendance at the meeting and no reason had been submitted to the Committee for her absence, it was

RESOLVED

- (1) That the applicant be requested to contact the Licensing Officer to discuss the proportion of proceeds applied to overheads to enable the Licensing Officer to ascertain whether this complies with the guidelines determined by the Home Office.
- (2) That this matter be deferred for consideration at a future meeting and that the applicant be informed that this matter will be determined on that occasion whether or not she is in attendance.

The meeting ended at 7.00 pm.

CHAIRMAN