

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Licensing Committee held on
Monday, 6 September 2004

PRESENT: Councillor RE Barrett – Chairman
Councillor EW Bullman – Vice-Chairman

Councillors:	Mrs A Elsby	Mrs SA Hatton
	Mrs HF Kember	Mrs JA Muncey
	Mrs CAED Murfitt	J Shepperson
	DALG Wherrell	Dr JR Williamson

Councillors SGM Kindersley were in attendance, by invitation.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Hall, JA Hockney, Dr JPR Orme and A Riley.

1. MINUTES

The Committee authorised the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 5th July 2004.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received .

3. REQUEST FOR CONSENT STREETS - PAMPISFORD

Pampisford Parish Council had requested that certain streets in the Parish be designated as Consent Streets in order that trading could be controlled. A Notice of Intention was published in the local press on 26th July and no objections were received. The Committee

RESOLVED to designate the following streets in Pampisford as Consent Streets under the terms of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, namely Beech Lane, Brewery Road, Church Lane, High Street, London Road and Town Lane and proceed to advertise the Resolution to take effect from 13th October 2004.

4. LICENSING ACT 2003 - OPEN SPACES

The Committee, having considered the inclusion of licensing open spaces within the draft licensing policy as detailed in the covering report,

RECOMMEND to the Environmental Health Portfolio Holder that a chapter on the licensing of Open Spaces be included in the Draft Licensing Policy and circulated for consultation. The wording to be:

“South Cambridgeshire District Council will consider where appropriate, the licensing of public open spaces for events that are not covered by temporary event notices”

5. LICENSING POLICY - DRAFT

Consideration was given to the Draft Licensing Policy statement as contained in the agenda and it was particularly noted that due to the restricted timescale involved, the Chairman of Scrutiny and Overview Committee and the Chairman of Council had agreed that this item would not be subject to the call-in procedure. The Committee, having considered the contents of the policy document, agreed that the following amendments be made:

Para 5 - Licensing Hours – 2nd paragraph – **insert** the word *generally* between the words *are* and *open* and **replace** *general provisions and the store is generally accessible to the public with other items*.

Para 7 – Children and Cinemas - Additional paragraph to be included as follows:

In the case of premises licensed for the exhibition of films, conditions will be imposed in line with any limitations imposed by the British Board of Film Classification (BBFC). In such cases where an exhibition of a film does not hold a BBFC certificate, the venue operator will be expected to self regulate the film in line with the BBFC classification system. In specific and exceptional cases a certificate may be issued by the Council to promote one or more of the Licensing objectives.

Para 13 – Temporary Event Notices – 3rd para, 3rd line down - replace the word *events* with *premises*.

Annex C – Table of Delegations in respect of the Licensing Functions – The last five categories in the ‘Matter to be dealt with’ column relating to ‘If a police representation is made’ and ‘All Cases’ should be moved from the ‘Full Committee’ column into the ‘Sub Committee’ column and the addition of ‘All other cases’ into the ‘Officers’ column relating to ‘Application to review premises licence/club premises certificate’

Subject to the above amendments, the Committee

RECOMMEND to the Environmental Health Portfolio Holder that the Draft Licensing Policy document be approved for consultation purposes.

The Committee were subsequently informed that mock hearings for Members to practice different scenarios would take place during November and decision forms would be devised for approving or refusing licensing applications.

Decision by Environmental Health Portfolio Holder
Following a recommendation from the Licensing Committee, the Environmental
Health Portfolio Holder

APPROVED the Draft Licensing Policy for consultation purposes.

The Meeting ended at 11.00 a.m.
