LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Monday, 3rd April, 2006 at 6.00 p.m.

Conference Room at the Council House, Walsall

Present

Councillor Keith Sears (Chairman)

Councillor Bill Tweddle (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Joan Barton

Councillor Joan Beilby

Councillor Arthur Bentley

Councillor Gary Clarke

Councillor Ayshea Johnson

Councillor Cath Micklewright

Councillor Robbie Robinson

Councillor John Rochelle

Councillor Carol Rose

Councillor Harbans Sarohi

Councillor Graham Wilkes

991/06 **Apology**

An apology for non-attendance was submitted on behalf of Councillor Barbara Cassidy.

Councillor Graham Wilkes was attending as a substitute for Councillor Cassidy.

992/06 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

993/06 Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 (as amended)

Resolved

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items set out in the private agenda for the reasons set out therein and Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

994/06 **Minutes**

Resolved

That the minutes of the meetings held on 24th January, 14th February and 7th March, 2006, copies having previously been circulated to each Member of the Committee, be approved and signed by the Chairman as correct records.

995/06 Delegations under Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976

The report of the Head of Public Protection and the Assistant Director of Legal Services was submitted:-

(see annexed)

The Council's legal adviser, Mr. Abel, advised Members that he had spoken to the Assistant Director of Legal Services who had advised that this report did not comply with the Constitution in that six months had not elapsed since the last time it was considered at Committee.

Resolved

In the light of the information given, this item be withdrawn from the agenda.

996/06 Street Trading - Walsall Town Centre - Allocation of Vacant Site

The report of the Head of Public Protection was submitted:-

(see annexed)

At this juncture, Councillor Tweddle declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item and left the meeting during consideration of this item.

Resolved

That in the light of the information given in Paragraphs 9 and 10 of the report now submitted, no action be taken regarding the allocation of the vacant site at the present time.

997/06 Private Session

Exclusion of Public

Resolved

That, during consideration of the remaining items on the agenda, the Committee considers that the items for consideration are exempt information for the reasons set out therein and Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972 and accordingly resolves to consider those items in private.

Summary of Matters considered in Private Session

Private Hire Licences

The Committee considered representations in respect of a number of taxi/private hire matters and made decisions thereon.

(Exempt information under Paragraphs 3 and 7 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972) (as amended)

Termination of Meeting

The meeting terminated at	7.51	p.m.
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Chairman	
Date	