

SPECIAL LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 18th June, 2008 at 6.00 p.m.

In a Conference Room at the Council House, Walsall

Present

Councillor Sears (Chairman)
Councillor Micklewright (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Anson
Councillor Barton
Councillor Beeley
Councillor Clarke
Councillor Rochelle
Councillor Sarohi
Councillor Smith
Councillor Tweddle
Councillor Wilkes

In Attendance

Lisa-Marie Smith	}	West Midlands Police
Inspector A. Bullman		
Sergeant C. Thomas		
P.C. B. Doyle		

1159/08 Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were submitted on behalf of Councillors Bird and P. Hughes.

1160/08 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

1161/08 Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 (as amended)

There were no items on the agenda that the Committee considered should be dealt with in private session.

1162/08 Review of Statement of Licensing Policy

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

(see annexed)

(a) Licensing Policy

The Licensing Manager, Mr. Knapper, outlined the report and responded to questions.

After a period of discussions it was:-

Resolved to recommend to Council

That having undertaken consultation on the existing Licensing Policy between 7th April, 2008 and 2nd June, 2008, the proposal revised changes to the current Statement of Licensing Policy as detailed in the report now submitted, be approved.

(b) Cumulative Impact

The Licensing Manager, Mr. Knapper, outlined this section of the report and outlined the steps required to be taken when considering whether to adopt an impact policy.

Ms. Lisa-Marie Smith, Deputy Force Solicitor, gave a PowerPoint presentation in support of the adoption of a cumulative impact policy in Walsall, during which Members viewed a DVD of late night activities in the proposed area. Ms. Smith and colleagues from West Midlands Police responded to questions.

After a period of discussion it was:-

Resolved

That consideration be given to the imposition of a cumulative impact policy for the defined area within Walsall Town Centre and the subsequent recommendation to Council for approval of such a policy.

Termination of Meeting

The meeting terminated at 7.15 p.m.

Chairman

Date