WALSALL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES TO

SPECIAL LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

24TH AUGUST, 2005

STREET COLLECTION RUTLAND HOUSE SCHOOL, NOTTINGHAM: CHILDREN SUFFERING WITH CEREBRAL PALSY

- 1.0 Purpose of Report
- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to bring to the Committee's attention a request by Mrs. S. Jackson to undertake a street collection in Walsall Town Centre on Friday, 9th September, 2005.
- 2.0 Recommendation
- 2.1 The Committee is asked to consider the request for a street collection permit on Friday, 9th September, 2005 in Walsall Town Centre.
- 3.0 <u>Financial Implications</u>
- 3.1 None. There is no charge for a street collection permit.
- 4.0 Policy Implications
- 4.1 None.
- 5.0 Equal Opportunities Implications
- 5.1 None.
- 6.0 <u>Environmental Impact</u>
- 6.1 None.

- 7.0 <u>Legal Implications</u>
- 7.1 There are no grounds for refusal specified in the Act.
- 7.2 At present, there is no statutory right of appeal against refusal of a street collection permit and the only way a Licensing Authority's act could be challenged would be by application to the High Court for a review of the decision.
- 8.0 Wards Affected
- 8.1 Walsall Town Centre is within the St. Matthews Ward.
- 9.0 Consultees
- 9.1 There is no legal requirement to consult on street collection applications.
- 10.0 Background
- 10.1 Authority to issue street collections has been delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in instances where the collection would be considered to be non-controversial. Any other applications are submitted to Committee for determination.
- 10.2 The purpose of the street collection is to raise funds for children with Cerebral Palsy and specialist needs who attend Rutland House School in Nottingham. A copy of the application form, together with the letter from Mrs. S. Jackson which details the background to the application, are attached as Appendices A and B to this report. A letter from the Charity SCOPE is attached as Appendix C which confirms that Rutland House is a SCOPE School and that the collection is supported by that organisation.
- 11.0 The Application
- 11.1 A copy of the application form and information in support of the application is attached as Appendices A, B and C.
- 11.2 The date and area requested for the collection is:-

Friday, 9th September, 2005 Walsall Town Centre

- 12.0 Observations
- 12.1 There are no other authorised collections in Walsall Town Centre on Friday, 9th September, 2005.

- 12.2 The Local Authority has the power to issue permits for organisations to undertake collections for the benefit of charitable purposes. "Charitable purpose" is defined in the Act to mean "any charitable, benevolent or philanthropic purposes, whether or not the purpose is charitable, within the meaning of any rule of law."
- 12.3 In respect of this application, the Committee is requested to consider whether it wishes to grant a permit for the date and area requested at Paragraph 11.2.

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