

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE

16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2004 AT 6.35 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. J.C. Bown, Mr. N.B.L. Davis, Mrs. D. Finney, Mrs. S. Francks, Mr. K.A.J. Hunnybun, Mr. M.R. Lay, Ms. J.E. Price and Mr. J.E. Stanley.

Officers in attendance: Mr. M. Brymer, Mrs. K. Herbert, Mr. P. Munro, Mrs. P.I. Pitt, Ms. B. Thomas and Mr. R.M. Tobin.

254 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

On the motion of Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Bown, it was

RESOLVED - Mr. Lay be appointed Chairman for the purpose of this meeting only.

255 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Messrs. M.A. Hall, C.G. Joyce and R. Ward.

256 MINUTES (LC4)

On the motion of Mr. Lay, seconded by Mr. Davis, it was

RESOLVED - the minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2004 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

257 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared at this stage.

258 LICENSING ACT 2003 - ADOPTING THE STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY (LC6)

The Customer Services & Registration Manager advised Members that this item had been withdrawn from the Agenda, pending the incorporation into the Policy of the additional information now circulated to Members relating to responses to the consultation process. On the motion of Mr. Lay, seconded by Ms. Price, it was

RESOLVED - a further meeting of this Committee be held at 6.00 p.m. on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> November 2004 in order to consider the revised policy document.

259 SATURATION POLICY - PRESENTATION BY LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE

Prior to Members' consideration of the cumulative impact of adopting a Saturation Policy Sergeant Moore of Leicestershire Constabulary gave a presentation on current police guidance on applications made under the Licensing Act 2003.

Mrs. Finney left the meeting at 7.12 p.m. returning at 7.16 p.m.

260 LICENSING ACT 2003 - CUMULATIVE IMPACT OF ADOPTING A SATURATION POLICY (LC5)

Members were informed that the Council had received representations from Leicestershire Police raising concerns that Hinckley town centre had reached a saturation limit as regards licensing premises. Inspector Pattani and Constable Clark from the Local Policing Unit then circulated the Committee with Leicestershire Constabulary's submission on the cumulative impact of a concentration of licensed premises in Hinckley town centre. It was moved by Mr. Bown, seconded by Mrs. Francks and

RESOLVED - the Customer Services & Registration Manager prepare a suggested saturation policy for Members' consideration, having regard to the area likely to be covered by such policy and in conjunction with Leicestershire Constabulary, for future adoption by this Authority, whilst recognising that each premises licence would be considered on its individual merits.

Mrs. Francks left the meeting at 7.46 p.m.

(The meeting closed at 7.50 p.m).