

Time Commenced - 6.00 pm  
Time Finished - 6.30 pm

**GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE  
13 JULY 2005**

Present: Councillor Marshall (Chair)

Councillors Baxter, Bolton, Berry, Jackson, Leeming,  
Redfern, Richards, Roberts, Skelton, Travis, Willitts and Wynn

**01/05 Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Khan and Latham.

**02/05 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 May 2005 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**03/05 Late items introduced by the Chair**

There were no late items

**04/05 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**05/05 Liquor Licensing Act Update**

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Corporate Services that provided an update of the progress of the Liquor Licensing Act 2003.

It was reported that the Department of Culture, Media and Sport had announced the second appointed date as 24 November 2005. The Council would take on full responsibility for enforcing the legislation from this date.

It was reported that the Licensing Team had received 305 premises licence applications, of which 126 were straight conversions, 70 variation applications and 105 applications were in the consultation period.

**Resolved to note the report.**

## 06/05    Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963 – Dog Sitting

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Corporate Services that requested approval of conditions for the licensing of animal boarding at domestic properties under the Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963.

It was reported that Environmental Health and Trading Standards had received a request for a licence to undertake animal boarding for dogs at domestic premises. The proposal was for up to two dogs being kept within a normal domestic environment providing an individual service for the animals. It was noted that the Council's current licensing conditions did not recognise that domestic dwellings could be licensed for animal boarding. It was therefore proposed that an additional set of conditions for boarding at domestic premises was approved. It was proposed that a fee of £77 per annum would be set for the licence.

It was agreed that 1.6 and 6.2 should read 'licence holder' in place of 'licence holder/premises owner', as conditions could only be enforced on the licence holder.

Members raised concerns relating to noise nuisance from the boarding establishment and enforcement issues surrounding the problem. Members asked how Derby compared with other authorities on the issue.

### **Resolved to defer a decision on the item to allow**

- **more information to be gathered on the impact of licensing domestic properties.**
- **research into whether other authorities had granted or refused licences for domestic boarding licence.**
- **consideration of the type of premises that are suitable for a domestic boarding licence**
- **investigation into the provision for objections by residents in the vicinity.**

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