

GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE 20 APRIL 2011

Present: Councillor Hird (in the Chair)
Councillors Atwal, Barker, Berry, Harwood, Jackson, Redfern, Skelton, Whitby
and F Winter

33/10 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Chera, S Khan and L Winter

34/10 Late Items to be introduced by the Chair

In accordance with Section 100 (B)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Chair agreed to admit the following items on the grounds that they related to events taking place before the next scheduled meeting of the Committee:

Relaxation of Licensing Hours for the Royal Wedding

It was reported that the order relaxing licensing hours for the celebration of the Royal Wedding had been issued, so that the hours for the supply of alcohol on the premises would be extended to 1am on Friday 29 April and Saturday 30 April. This meant that Licence holders would not need to apply for a Temporary Event Notice for such an extension.

Resolved to note the update

Rebalancing the Licensing Act consultation

It was reported that a briefing event would be held on 21 June 2011 on the Rebalancing the Licensing Act consultation. The briefing would be organised by Westminster Briefings and was aimed at Magistrates, Licensing Committees, Solicitors, Council officers and the Police.

Resolved to ask Constitutional Services to circulate the details of the event to all Councillors.

The Chair also extended the Committee's thanks and best wishes for the future to Councillor Berry upon his retirement.

35/10 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

36/10 Confirmation of the Minutes of the meeting held on 9 February 2011

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 February 2011 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

37/10 Cumulative Impact Policy Update

The Environmental Health Manager, Mike Kay, provided an oral update on the request for a Cumulative Impact Policy from Derbyshire Constabulary. A consultation process was currently being undertaken following the application which would close on 1 June. Members were advised that as Licensing Committee members as ward Councillors, they would be considering the request from two perspectives and should be mindful not to fetter their discretion. It was noted that there had been few responses to the consultation thus far. Members questioned how the Consultation had been advertised and it was reported that there had been an initial press release, a reminder issued and space on the website used for the consultation. Councillor Skelton reported that there had been general support at the Health and Well Being Board for the policy and that they had intended to put in representations.

Resolved:

- 1. to note the update;**
- 2. to ask Officers, if so required, to attend political group meetings to provide further information and advice on the Cumulative Impact Policy consultation**