

LICENSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
EARL BALDWIN SUITE, DUKE HOUSE, KIDDERMINSTER
MONDAY, 23rd MAY, 2005 (10.30 A.M.)

PRESENT:

Councillors Mrs. P.V. Hayward, (Chairman), J. Baker (Vice-Chairman), Mrs. A.T. Hingley (Vice-Chairman), G.W. Ballinger, N.J. Desmond, P. Dyke, B.T. Glass, P.B. Harrison, W.G. Jones, M.B. Kelly, Mrs. P. Rimell and A.D. Williams.

Observers: Councillors J-P. Campion and Mrs. J. Fairbrother-Millis:

West Mercia Police: P.C. A. Hill

CM. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. M.B. Aston and M.M.G. Oborski.

CM. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES

None were appointed.

CM. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were invited to declare any interests in any item on the Agenda (including a declaration in relation to Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992).

Councillor P. Dyke declared a personal interest in Agenda Item No. 5, he has a relative who works for Mr. Crump.

CM. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 24th January, 2005 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

CM. PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENTS LICENCES – APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL – BAR ST MARTIN’S, YORK STREET, STOURPORT ON SEVERN

The Committee considered a report outlining an application that had been received from Mr. Martin Crump of St Martin’s Bar, York Street, Stourport on Severn to renew the public entertainments licence in respect of the premises. The applicant was present at the meeting.

The premises presently operate on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays between 11 a.m. and 12 midnight. Fridays (including Good Friday) and Saturdays between 11 am and 2 am and Sundays 12 noon to 12 midnight.

Although some objections from residents had been received in respect of this application, the applicant had dealt these with. With specific regard to the objection received from Mr. G. Soundproofing was being carried out at the present time. Mr. G. would be out of the country for the next 6 months, and although he is not opposing the grant of the Licence, he has made it clear that he is reserving the right to object at a later stage. West Mercia Police, who were also present at the meeting, made no objection.

The applicant confirmed that he was happy to carry out any necessary works and that he would instruct door staff to make sure that all doors were kept closed. An alarm would be installed on the door at the side of the premises, which had been left open in the past, causing noise problems for neighbours.

Councillor Fairbrother-Millis spoke, by leave of the Chairman, with regard to the problems encountered by Mr. G. She also expressed concern that two properties adjacent to the premises were now up for sale, which was worrying in view of the need to encourage residential occupation of premises within the Town Centre.

DECISION that the Public Entertainments Licence be granted to Mr. Martin Crump in respect of premises known as Bar St Martins, 11 York Street, Stourport on Severn, DY13 9EF, subject to the following:-

- (a) **Monday, Tuesdays & Wednesdays – 11.00 a.m. – 12 midnight**
Thursdays, Fridays (including Good Fridays) & Saturdays - 11 a.m. – 02.00 a.m.
Sundays – 12 noon – 12 midnight
- (b) **the door at the side of the premises to be alarmed;**
- (c) **noise limiter to be set in conjunction with Officers of the Council; and**
- (d) **the Council's standard terms and conditions.**

CM. HEALTH AND SAFETY SERVICE PLAN

The Head of Planning, Health and Environment outlined to the Committee the need for a Health and Safety Service Plan in order to deliver efficient Health and Safety Services.

RECOMMENDED to Cabinet that the Health and Safety Service Plan (2005-06) be adopted.

CM. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Use of the Earl Baldwin Suite for meeting of the Licensing & Environmental Committee

Some Members expressed concern as to why this meeting had taken place in the Earl Baldwin Suite, Duke House, Kidderminster instead of its usual location at the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Stourport on Severn. Discussion took place over the suitability of both locations.

DECISION: future meetings of the Licensing & Environmental Committee be held at the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Stourport on Severn.

The meeting ended at 11.25 a.m.