WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, STOURPORT-ON-SEVERN

2ND APRIL 2007 (10.30AM)

PRESENT:

Councillors: J Baker (Chairman), S J M Clee (Vice-Chairman), Mrs R L Akathiotis, G W Ballinger, Mrs J Fairbrother-Millis, Mrs P V Hayward, Mrs A T Hingley, M B Kelly, D R Sheppard.

OBSERVERS:

There were no members present as observers.

LIC.79 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: J-P Campion, P Dyke, G H Eeles, B T Glass.

LIC.80 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES

Councillor Mrs J Fairbrother-Millis was appointed as a substitute for Councillor B.T. Glass.

LIC.81 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made.

LIC.82 MINUTES

DECISION:

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th February 2007 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

LIC.83 APPLICATION FOR AN AMUSEMENT WITH PRIZE MACHINE PERMIT UNDER SECTION 34 OF THE GAMING ACT 1968

Consideration was given to an application from J.D. Weatherspoon plc, PO box 615 Watford, WD24 4QU, for the grant of a Gaming Machine Permit under the provisions of the Gaming Act 1968 (Section 34) to enable the usage of four amusement with prize machines at Ye Olde Crown Inn, 9 Bridge Street, Stourport on Severn DY13 8UY.

DECISION:

A permit be granted to J.D. Weatherspoon plc, for the use of four

amusement with prize machines at Ye Olde Crown Inn, 9 Bridge Street, Stourport on Severn, Worcestershire DY13 8UY.

LIC.84 ISSUE OF ADDITIONAL FIVE HACKNEY CARRIAGE PROPRIETORS' LICENCES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DISTRICT HACKNEY **CARRIAGE DEREGULATION PLAN 2005-2008**

Further to Minute No. LIC. 73 of the Committee's 19^t February 2007 meeting. a ballot was held in accordance with the Deregulation Plan and the report to that meeting to issue five additional Hackney Carriage Proprietors' licences. Six applications had been received, five would be issued with licences and the sixth would act as a reserve should one of the five not take up the offer of a licence. The Draw Numbers were drawn in the following order:

- 1. Maurice Andrew Alton
- 6. David John Alton
- 5. Christopher John Cooke
- 3. Simon George Jones
- Derek Edward Stevens
- 4. Royston Lyons Morris Reserve

DECISION:

1. Hackney Carriage Proprietors' Licences be issued to the five applicants listed below:

Maurice Andrew Alton David John Alton **Christopher John Cooke** Simon George Jones **Derek Edward Stevens**

2. A Hackney Carriage Proprietor's Licence be issued to Royston Lyons Morris if one of the five applicants listed in decision 1 above does not take up the offer of a licence.

LIC.85 LICENSING POLICY STATEMENT REVIEW – LICENSING ACT 2003

A report was considered from the Head of Planning, Health and Environment following consultation with stakeholders and responsible authorities, to assess the impact of the Licensing Policy during the first twelve months in operation.

Chairman thanked everyone who had been involved in this matter.

DECISION:

Having assessed the impact of the Licensing Policy of the District, no changes be recommended to the current Licensing Policy Statement.

LIC.86 DELEGATED POWERS – HEALTH ACT 2006

A report was considered from the Head of Planning, Health and Environment

on changes in legislation which would require delegated powers being granted to the Head of Planning, Health and Environment, and the Environmental Health and Licensing Manager. These related to the prohibition, from 1st July 2007, of smoking in all enclosed public places, workplaces and vehicles used for work.

RECOMMENDED to Cabinet to RECOMMEND to Council.

The Head of Planning, Health and Environment, and the Environmental Health and Licensing Manager be granted delegated powers under the following legislation:

Health Act 2006, and all regulations made under the Act including:

- The Smoke-free (Premises and Enforcement) Regulations 2006
- The Smoke-free (Signs) Regulations 2007
- The Smoke-free (Exemptions and Vehicles) Regulations 2007
- The Smoke-free (Penalties and Discounted Amounts) Regulations 2007
- The Smoke-free (Vehicle Operators and Penalty Notices) Regulations 2007.

The Head of Planning, Health and Environment, and the Environmental Health and Licensing Manger or any duly qualified officers who are authorised in writing by either of them to act as proper officer to:

- a) Sign and service Notices including Fixed Penalty Notices
- b) Sign and issue Licences, Permits, Orders and other documents
- c) Execute works in default
- d) Procure samples, seize equipment, goods and animals
- e) Exercise powers of entry
- f) Engage specialist advisors/contractors
- g) Institute legal proceedings (in consultation with the Head of Legal and Democratic Services)

falling within the power and duties which the Council is authorised to exercise under the above legislation and any replacement legislation.

The meeting ended at 10.50 am.