

APPENDIX A

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL
LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B
11 APRIL 2011

LICENSING ACT 2003 - APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE –
BISHOP'S MEADOW, OFF CROSBY WAY, FARNHAM, SURREY

[Ward Affected: Farnham Castle]

Summary and Purpose

1. The purpose of the report is to enable the Sub-Committee to consider an application from The Bishop's Meadow Trust for a new premises licence for Bishop's Meadow, off Crosby Way, Farnham, Surrey, where representations have been received from 6 interested parties.

Background

2. An application has been received for a new premises licence for Bishop's Meadow. Bishop's Meadow is a piece of land (fields) lying between the A31 Farnham by-pass and Farnham town. There are three public footpaths crossing the land and vehicle access is via Crosby Way.

The application proposes that the licence will allow the premises to have regulated entertainment mainly in the spring and summer months, not every weekend and for no more than 18 days of events per calendar year.

Activities Sought under this Licence Application

3. The applicant seeks to license the premises as shown below. An extract of the relevant pages from the application form is attached at Annexe 1 with a letter of a revised 'Section P' attached at Annexe 2. Attached at Annexe 3 is a plan showing the area of the premises and surrounding properties. In brief summary, the applicant seeks the following activities in the new licence, if granted. Please see application for activities in full.

- Films & Plays
0900 to 2300 Monday to Sunday
- Live Music
0900 to 2300 Monday to Sunday
- Recorded Music & Performance of Dance
0900 to 2300 Monday to Sunday
- Facilities for Making Music, & Dancing
2300 to 0100 Monday to Sunday
- Opening hours:

The fields have public access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Licensing Objectives

4. The four Licensing Objectives of the Licensing Act 2003 are set out below. Any representations for consideration must relate to one or more of these objectives, and representations must be from interested parties and/or from the responsible authorities under this legislation.
 1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder
 2. Public Safety
 3. Prevention of Nuisance
 4. Protection of Children from Harm

Representations received

Responsible Authorities

5. There have been no representations from Responsible Authorities

Interested Parties

6. There have been six representations from Interested Parties, and these are reproduced at Annexe 4.

What the Sub-Committee may do

7. The Sub-Committee, after hearing from the applicant and those making representations, may take one or more of the steps listed below in order to promote the Licensing Objectives which have given rise to the representations in this case. Reasons must be given by the Sub-Committee for any decision made, since there is an opportunity for any applicant or any objector to appeal to the Magistrates' Court against the Licensing Sub-Committee decision. The Sub-Committee may:
 - Grant the application as submitted; or
 - Refuse the application; or
 - Reduce or refuse parts of the application submitted,
 - Add conditions to meet the Licensing Objectives if the Sub-Committee considers it necessary in the light of the representation received.
8. An extract from the Government Guidance to local authorities under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, as it applies to this application - paragraphs 9.19 to 9.28 - is attached as Annexe 5.

Subsequent Developments in this Application Procedure

9. Any further amendment to the application is to be submitted to the Licensing Officer, in a form which can be circulated prior to the meeting.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application for a premises licence for Bishop's Meadow, off Crosby Way, Farnham, Surrey be considered and determined having regard to the representations received, the statutory guidance and the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy 2011 - 2013. The Sub-Committee must take such steps (if any) as it considers necessary to promote the Licensing Objectives, having heard from the applicant and those making written representations.

Background Papers (SDoCS)

Application referred to above, representations referred to above.

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