Medway Council

LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE 15 MARCH 2002

Held at the Municipal Buildings, Gillingham

RECORD OF THE MEETING

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs Diane Chambers (chairman);

Councillor Richard Andrews (vice-chairman); Councillors Davis, Mrs Haydock, Luckhurst and

Madhu Ruparel.

4151 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology was received from Councillor Harriott.

4152 RECORD OF THE MEETING

The record of the meeting held on 1 February 2002 was agreed and signed by the chairman as correct.

<u>ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED POWERS</u>

4153 APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION AND RENEWAL OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE - PIGGYS IN THE CITY, 186A HIGH STREET, ROCHESTER

A report was presented by the licensing co-ordinator which gave details of the application for extension and renewal of the public entertainment licence in respect of Piggys in the City, 186a High Street, Rochester. The applicant sought to continue the existing operating hours from 11am to 1am the following morning from Monday to Saturday.

The premises currently held a temporary entertainment licence for music, singing and dancing allowing hours of operation from 11am to 1am Monday to Saturday (inclusive) and noon to 10.30pm on Sundays (music and singing only).

The temporary licence was agreed by the council's licensing panel at its meeting on 16 February 2001 when members considered an appeal by the licensee against the time (operating hours) condition to 11pm Monday to Saturday and 10.30pm Sundays previously imposed by officers under delegated powers. The licence had been granted for a period of 9 months only in order that the local authority might have sufficient opportunity to

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monitor the premises and to enable the licensee to have the opportunity of taking further sound reduction measures as necessary. The temporary licence expired on 16 November 2001 and an application dated 7 October 2001 requested a continuation of the existing operating hoursof the public entertainment licence.

The application for the extension of the temporary public entertainment licence was brought before the committee in the light of the concerns expressed by local residents and also the police in their exempt appendix to the report with regard to this individual premises and the increasing problems of late night disturbance and anti-social behaviour in the area of Rochester High Street generally.

Resolved that

- (a) a temporary public entertainment licence be granted for the hours requested, Monday to Saturday 11am to 1am the following morning;
- (b) the temporary licence be granted until 1 September 2002 only;
- (c) the licensee should make attempts at liaising with neighbours particularly by inviting them to the club.

The meeting which commenced	at 2.30pm	, finished at	5.05pm
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