GENERAL PURPOSES LICENSING COMMITTEE

Friday 15th July 2005

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Councillor Brett (Chair), Councillor Turner (Vice-Chair), Councillors Goddard and Sareva (as a substitute for Councillor Palmer).

OFFICERS PRESENT: William Reed (Democratic Services Manager) and Peter Warren-Tibbets (Environmental Health Business Unit).

15. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Armitage, Brundin, Muir and Palmer. Councillor Sareva attended as a substitute for Councillor Palmer.

16. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Democratic Services Manager submitted a note (previously circulated and now appended) of guidance on declaring interests at meetings.

Resolved that the note be received.

17. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

18. MINUTES

- (1) Resolved that the minutes (previously circulated) of the Committee's meeting held on 17th June 2005 be confirmed as a correct record.
- (2) With reference to minute 6 (Appointment of Sub-Committees) the Democratic Services Manager reported that because they were decisionmaking bodies, the Committee's two Sub-Committees needed to be politically balanced.

Resolved that membership of the Committee's two Sub-Committees be as follows in order to achieve political balance:-

Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Licensing Sub-Committee – Councillors Campbell, Sareva and Turner

Public Entertainment and Other Matters Licensing Sub-Committee – Councillors Brett, Muir, Sareva and Turner.

19. BROAD STREET - MARKET

The Strategic Director, Physical Environment submitted a report (previously circulated and now appended). The Environmental Health Business Manager reported that the layout of markets in Broad Street, if agreed, would be altered in the light of the experience of the market operation in November 2004, among other things in order to improve cycle permeability and emergency access.

Mr. McCardle (OX1) with the Committee's agreement addressed the meeting. He said that the Chamber of Commerce had been fully involved in the working up of the current proposals and that its concerns had been acted upon and incorporated into the proposals.

Resolved:-

- (1) for the Committee's part to agree to allow up to four street markets to take place in Broad Street in a year, and that the operation of the market arrangements be reviewed by the Committee in 12 months time (whether or not four markets had been held by then);
- (2) to delegate:-
 - to the Central South and West Area Committee, approval of the programming arrangements for and type or theme of markets in Broad Street;
 - (b) to the Environmental Health Business Manager the authority to issue street trading consents for four street markets in Broad Street;
- (3) that the standard street trading conditions should generally apply to the market organiser, with the Central South and West Area Committee authorised to vary the conditions as and if necessary in particular circumstances;
- (4) to agree the fee structure as described in Section 4 of the report.

20. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that at its meeting earlier today the Licensing Act 2003 Committee had resolved to raise no objection to this Committee meeting on the same day as and immediately following meetings of that Committee.

Resolved that this Committee should meet on the following dates, namely the dates when the Licensing Act 2003 Committee was scheduled to meet, and that the

meetings be advertised to start at 9.45 a.m. or upon the arising of the Licensing Act 2003 Committee, whichever was the later:-

16th September 2005 25th November 2005 20th January 2006 17th March 2006 19th May 2006