

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD AT
FOLLATON HOUSE, TOTNES, THURSDAY 25 MARCH 2010**

Present: Councillors Carson, Cook and Squire
Naomi Wopling, Licensing Officer SHDC
Tony Johnson, Legal Executive, SHDC
Jo Doney, Member Support Officer, SHDC

Also present, but not participating: Cllr A D Barber (local Member)

LSC.16/09 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

That Cllr Squire be appointed Chairman for the duration of the meeting.

LSC.17/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any interests in the items of business to be considered during the course of the meeting but none were made.

LSC.18/09 DETERMINATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003: THE OLD SMITHY, IVYBRIDGE, PL21 9AE

1. Licensing Officer's Report

The Licensing Officer presented the report and outlined the application before the Sub-Committee. It was noted that two representations had been received from the Police and Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service in relation to the original application. The operating schedules had been amended after mediation with interested parties and it had been agreed that a formal hearing would not be necessary.

2. Committee's Deliberations

The Sub-Committee asked the Officer if those who had originally objected to the operating schedule were now content with the proposed amendments. The Licensing Officer confirmed that this was the case.

During discussion, particular reference was made to:-

- a) The request by the police to upgrade the existing internal CCTV which the applicants had subsequently agreed; and
- b) The Fire Service advice to restrict the maximum occupancy to 60 persons due to there being a single access door which was inward opening. Once the door had been reconfigured to an outward opening door, an occupancy of 110 persons would be acceptable. The Sub Committee wished for its concerns about the single access door to be noted.

3. The Decision

The Chairman then announced the decision as follows:

“We have considered the application to grant the premises licence.

We have considered the Statement of Licensing Policy, the Government guidance and our obligations that relate to the promotion of the four licensing objectives.

We note the amendments submitted and that all parties are in agreement that a hearing is not necessary.

It is our decision therefore to grant this application subject to the agreed amendments being incorporated into the operating schedule”.

Chairman