

**LICENSING COMMITTEE**17 July 2003  
(2.00 – 3.50 pm)

**PRESENT:** Councillors Liddle (Chair), Benstead, Hipkin, J Rosenstiel, Richard Smith.  
Councillor Nimmo-Smith attended as alternate for Councillor Pinnington.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL**03/m/60 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Pinnington.

03/m/61 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor J Rosenstiel had a prejudicial interest in 03/m/66 in that she had complained about the premises in October 2002. She withdrew from the meeting and did not take part in the decision.

03/m/62 **PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE: NEW APPLICATION THE WHITE SWAN 109 MILL ROAD**

In introducing the report the Environmental Health Officer stated that the Conditions should be amended to state that the two events should be between 7-11pm and not on a Sunday.

The applicant, Mr Landy and his solicitor Mr Toovey were present. Dr Townsend of Kingston Street spoke in objection.

Mr Toovey advised the Committee that Mr Landy had been the landlord for nine years and in that time there had been a noise abatement notice served in October 1999. The applicant noted the comments of the officers in para 4.1 of the report and it was accepted by him that the conditions proposed were acceptable. The Committee noted that as the premises was old it was likely that considerable expenditure would be required in sound proofing. Mr Toovey stated that the applicant would wish to live happily with his neighbours.

Dr Townsend advised the Committee that the applicant was reminded of the noise enforcement notice in a letter from Environmental Health officers dated 28 May 2002, as a result of noise nuisance. Dr Townsend stated that the applicant had no respect for his neighbours and the extra traffic generated by public entertainment events would be unacceptable. Dr Townsend advised the Committee that the majority of properties at the pub end of Kingston Street were rented which could explain the lack of objections to the application.

In response to a question from the Committee the Environmental Health Officer stated that there had been few complaints received regarding noise from the premises. It may have been the case that complaints were made late in the evening and by the time the

officer had arrived a nuisance could not be witnessed. The Committee was reminded that if there was a statutory noise nuisance from the premises then the matter would be pursued.

The Committee adjourned to consider the application.

**Resolved -**

Approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Events to be held in the Lounge/Restaurant area only
2. Numbers permitted - 60
3. Number of Exits – 2
4. Fire Fighting Equipment – 1 x 9 litre water type extinguisher, 1 x 2kg cO2 type extinguisher adjacent to band/disco
5. Maintained illuminated 'FIRE EXIT' notices, one above each exit door
6. One steward to be present.
7. Only one event to be permitted to allow for an acoustic consultant to monitor and provide a written report of recommended sound insulation. A further event should be permitted to test the sound insulation scheme following the installation of the insulation scheme.
8. Seven days notice of each event must be provided to the Head of Environmental Health & Waste Strategy.
9. All doors and windows to remain closed during each event.
10. No event to be held until a current valid certificate of electrical safety has been submitted.
11. Both events to be held between 7-11pm and not on a Sunday.

03/m/63      **CAFÉ AFRIKA, HOWARD MALLET CENTRE, STURTON STREET**

In introducing the report the Environmental Health Officer stated that the Conditions should be amended to state a finishing time of 11pm.

The applicants, Mr Sene and Mr Landy and their solicitor Mr Toovey were present. Mr Toovey stated that although he had not seen the contents of the petition referred to in the report, the objections raised concerned the previous management or could not apply as the new application was yet to be trialled.

**Resolved -**

Approved subject to the following conditions:

1. No more than 200 persons permitted
2. Number of Exits – 8
3. Fire Fighting Equipment - 2 x 6 litre AFFF extinguishers, 1 x 6kg dry powder extinguisher, 1 x 2kg CO2 extinguisher adjacent to band/disco
4. Maintained illuminated 'FIRE EXIT' notices and other non-maintained lighting throughout the premises

5. Two stewards to be present
6. Only three events to be permitted to allow for monitoring by the Head of Environmental Health & Waste Strategy. At least one of these events to include a band of the type proposed by the applicant.
7. Seven days notice of each event must be provided to the Head of Environmental Health & Waste Strategy.
8. All external doors and windows to remain closed during each event.
9. No event to be held until a current valid certificate of electrical safety has been submitted.
10. No event to be held until the noise limiter has been checked and calibrated by a competent person. The certificate of calibration shall be submitted to the Head of Environmental Health & Waste Strategy.
11. Events to end by 11pm.

03/m/64      **PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE: NEW APPLICATION – COACH & HORSES, TRUMPINGTON HIGH STREET**

The applicant, Jill Blonsky was present. Ms Blonsky advised the Committee that because of the objections raised the licence would only be used for hired occasions. The Fire Officer stated that he would wish to re-inspect the premises based on these changes to the application and the Committee agreed that any alterations to the conditions recommended by the Fire Officer could be delegated to the Environmental Health Officers.

**Resolved -**

Approved subject to a re-inspection by the Fire Officer and any resulting amendments to conditions following that inspection to be made to the following conditions:

1. Numbers – 100
2. Number of Exits – 4
3. Fire fighting equipment – 1 x 9 litre water extinguisher and 1 x 2kg CO2 extinguisher, adjacent to any band/disco
4. Emergency lighting – maintained illuminated 'EXIT' notices
5. One steward to be present
6. This is a licence for 3 events only.
7. Seven days notice of each event to be given to the Head of Environmental Health & Waste Strategy (HEH&WS).
8. All doors and windows to be kept shut during events.
9. Events to be held in the 'Upper Room' only and finish by 10.30 p.m.

03/m/65      **PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE: NEW APPLICATION – THE CORNER HOUSE, NEWMARKET ROAD**

Mr Brownlie and Ms Strutland (the applicants) were present.

**Resolved –**

Approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Maximum numbers permitted: 60
2. Number of exits: 2
3. Fire Fighting Equipment: 1 x 9 litre water extinguisher to be situated behind bar, 1 x 3Kg CO2/Dry Powder Extinguisher to be situated adjacent to band/disco.
4. Emergency lighting: 2 x maintained illuminated 'EXIT' signs, 1 above each door.
5. Doors and windows to be kept shut during performances.
6. One steward to be present – to be properly trained.
7. Events to be held on Fridays from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.
8. No events to be held until the premises are safe to the satisfaction of the Fire Officer.
9. No events to be held until a current certificate of electrical safety has been submitted in the approved form.

03/m/66      **PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE: RENEWAL – THE BREWERY,  
KING STREET, CAMBRIDGE**

The applicant (Mr Bloom) and Mr MacGregor his solicitor were present.

The Environmental Health Officer advised the Committee that it was important that the Council should be satisfied that adequate sound insulation ought to be installed and tested at the rear of the building to protect nearby residents from unreasonable disturbance hence the inclusion of condition (h).

Mr MacGregor advised the Committee that the applicant objected to the inclusion of condition (h) as no complaints had been received under the operation of the current licence and that the premises had undergone major sound proofing and refurbishment in September 2002.

The Environmental Health Officer commented that the refurbishment carried out in 2002 had resulted in the removal of insulation which had previously been provided as a requirement of the licence. Although some insulation had been reinstated, there was a significant deficiency at the rear of the building, which had been acknowledged by the applicant's representative at a meeting with the Officers. The Council had a duty to ensure that unreasonable disturbance should not be caused to residents as a result of the operation of a licence, regardless of whether complaints had been received or not.

The Committee adjourned to consider the application.

**Resolved -**

Approved the licence until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2004, subject to the following conditions:

- a. Monday – Saturday 11.00 a.m. until 11.00 p.m.
- b. Sunday 8.00 p.m. until 10.30 p.m.
- c. Numbers admitted: 170
- d. Number of exits: 3
- e. Fire equipment: 2 x 9L water expelling extinguishers
- f. One event each month may be a live band
- g. Doors and windows must be kept closed during performances, with the exception of the external doors of the main entrance, to comply with fire regulations
- h. No events may be held until a scheme of sound insulation for the building has been submitted to and agreed by HEHWS and has been installed to the satisfaction of HEHWS.

03/m/67      **PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE: NEW APPLICATION –  
THE UNICORN INN, CHURCH LANE, TRUMPINGTON**

The applicant (Mr Lacey) was present.

**Resolved -**

Approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Numbers admitted 100
- 2) No more than 15 events permitted per year on Fridays from 8pm to 11pm
- 3) Number of exits – 3
- 4) Fire equipment – 1 x 9L water extinguisher behind bar, 1 x 2kg CO2 extinguisher adjacent to disco/band
- 5) Maintained illuminated 'FIRE EXIT' notices, one above each exit
- 6) Windows and doors to be kept closed at all times during events
- 7) No amplified music shall be played
- 8) One steward to be present

The meeting ended at 3.50pm

**CHAIR**