

Committee: Licensing Sub-Committee Date: 23 June 2005

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982 - APPLICATION FOR A SINGLE EVENT PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE

Recommendation:

To consider an application for a single event Public Entertainment Licence for music and dancing for the Kings Oak, Public House, Nursery Road, High Beech, Loughton.

- 1. An application has been made by Mr Dante Williams for a single event licence on the above date between the hours of 12 noon and 10 pm on 28th August 2005 for 5000 persons (Appendix 1).
- 2. Objections (Appendix 2) have been received from:
 - The Essex Police;
 - The Estates Manager The Corporation of London;
 - The City Surveyor The Corporation of London;
 - Epping Forest Field Centre:
 - Ward Councillor Mrs Stavrou;
 - Mr and Mrs Smith local residents; and
 - Mr and Mrs Collins local residents.
- 3. Officers have received complaints regarding noise from the premises and have served a noise abatement notice on 5th May 2005 (Appendix 3). An alleged breach was witnessed on 15th May 2005 and officers are proceeding with a prosecution under the Environmental Protection Act 1990.
- 4. Officers believe that noise generated from this event cannot be adequately controlled and is very likely to cause a statutory nuisance. The officer's report is attached at Appendix 4.
- 5. There is some confusion as to who the applicant is. On two separate occasions Mr Dante has been identified to the Licensing Officer as two different men.
- 6. The applicant has supplied a risk assessment for the event (Appendix 5), however, in the opinion of the Building Control Manager it is inadequate and shows a worrying lack of awareness of the potential dangers of such an event. The views of the Essex Fire and Rescue Service will be reported at the meeting.
- 7. A smaller event to the one proposed was held in May 2005. This event was held without the benefit of a licence issued by this Council. Officers are considering instituting proceedings under the above legislation alleging that the event needed a licence and did not have one.