CANTERBURY CITY COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday, 8th October, 2009 at 11.00 am in The Guildhall, Westgate, Canterbury

Canterbury College

Present: Councillor J Perkins (Chairman)

Councillor Calvert-Mindell
Councillor Sonnex
Councillor Wratten

The Cherry Tree

Present: Councillor Harrison(Chairman)

Councillor Calvert-Mindell
Councillor Sonnex
Councillor Wratten

In attendance -

Officers:

Pauline Goldsack	-	Senior Solicitor
Dave Stevenson	-	Senior Licensing and Enforcement Officer
Jemma Richards	-	Democratic Services Officer

1 **DECLARATION OF ANY INTERESTS BY MEMBERS OR OFFICERS**

Councillor Sonnex declared an interest, as her son was a licensed doorman, although he was not associated with any of the applications in the agenda.

2 **MINUTES**

The minutes for the meetings held on 23 July, 7 August and 7 September 2009 were agreed as a true record.

3 **LICENSING ACT 2003 - PREMISES REVIEW FOR CHERRY TREE**

Application type:

The review of Premises Licence under the licensing objectives of prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and prevention of public nuisance.

Premises:

Cherry Tree Public House
10 Whitehorse Lane
Canterbury
CT1

Name and address of Applicant:

Cherry Tree Public House
10 Whitehorse Lane
Canterbury
CT1

Written submissions:

The Sub-Committee had before them three letters of representation from interested parties. No representations had been received from the Police or relevant authority.

Consideration of the application:

Prior to this hearing, Members of the Sub-Committee had undertaken a site inspection of the premises. A site plan was displayed at the meeting.

The Applicant, Mr Knight, asked the Sub-Committee if he could show additional evidence in the form of a DVD.

The Legal Officer stated that the representative from the Abode, as an interested party, would need to give permission for the evidence to be considered by the Sub-Committee.

The representatives from the Abode did not agree to the evidence being shown at the meeting.

The Sub-Committee then adjourned to make a decision on whether the meeting should be postponed.

The meeting for the application for a premises licence was then adjourned, to allow all parties to consider the additional evidence.

4 **LICENSING ACT 2003 - PREMISES LICENCE FOR CANTERBURY COLLEGE**

Application type:

Grant of a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003.

Premises:

Canterbury College
New Dover Road
Canterbury
CT1 3AJ

Name and address of Applicant:

Canterbury College
New Dover Road
Canterbury
CT1 3AJ

Written submissions:

The Sub-Committee had before them two letters of representations from interested parties. No representations had been received from the Police or relevant authority. The interested parties had been invited to attend but none were in attendance.

Consideration of the application:

Prior to this hearing, Members of the Sub-Committee had undertaken a site inspection of the premises.

A site plan was displayed at the meeting.

The Chairman introduced those present and invited the Senior Licensing and Enforcement Officer to outline the application. The Senior Licensing and Enforcement Officer explained that the application was for the grant of a Premises Licence for entertainment only. He advised on the details of the application.

Sarah Bittorf, on behalf of Canterbury College, gave a brief outline of the application. She stated that Canterbury College also hoped to hold Outdoor Events, and the Legal Officer reminded her that the application before the Committee only related to Indoor events. Miss Bittorf confirmed that she was happy to proceed with the application based on indoor events only.

Sarah Bittorf then responded to questions from Members and made the following points:

- The Premises Licence was required to enable the college to charge the public for admittance. This would help towards costume and staffing costs.
- The Theatre had the capacity to seat a maximum of 120 persons.
- No complaints had been received in the last two and a half years.
- The only entrance to events would be via New Dover Road.
- Events were not regular and were usually held during term time.
- Events included fashion shows, battle of the bands and theatre performances.
- No alcohol or smoking was permitted on college grounds.
- On average, there were two theatre performances (six performances, over one week), two to three fashion/hair events, and two to three music events.

The Sub-Committee then adjourned to make a decision on the application. The Legal Officer accompanied them to help frame their decision. In making their decision, they had due regard to the Licensing Act 2003, government guidance and the licensing objectives.

RESOLVED – That the Premises Certificate be granted as detailed below –

Hours open to the public
Monday to Saturday, 09.00 to 23.00.

(a) Plays
Monday to Saturday 09.00 to 23.00

(b) Films
Monday to Saturday 09.00 to 23.00

(c) Live music
Monday to Saturday 09.00 to 23.00

(d) **Recorded**
Monday to Saturday 09.00 to 23.00

(e) **Performance of dance**
Monday to Saturday 09.00 to 23.00

(f) **Provision of facilities for making music**
Monday to Saturday 09.00 to 23.00

(g) **Provision of facilities for dancing**
Monday to Saturday 09.00 to 23.00

(h) **Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f), or (g)**
Monday to Saturday 09.00 to 23.00

There being no other business the meeting closed at 1.25 pm