

## NOTICE OF MEETING

# Licensing Committee

**Date:** Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2002  
**Time:** 6.30 p.m. or directly following Planning Control  
Committee, whichever is the later  
**Venue:** COUNCIL CHAMBER, DUTTONS ROAD, ROMSEY, HANTS

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**MEMBERSHIP OF LICENSING COMMITTEE**

<b>MEMBER</b>		<b>WARD</b>
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Councillor A.J. Smith		Winton
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**LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2002**

**AGENDA**

**The order of these items may change as a result of members  
of the public wishing to speak**

1. **APOLOGIES**
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3. **URGENT ITEMS**
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5. **VARIATION OF PROVISIONAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE – “LIQUID”, FIRST FLOOR, 12 LONDON STREET, ANDOVER, HAMPSHIRE** 4 - 5

To enable the Licensing Committee to decide on a application for a variation of Condition 1 relating to hours of the Provisional Public Entertainment Licence in respect of “Liquid” Night Club.
6. **VARIATION OF ANNUAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE IN RESPECT OF THE TOWN MILLS, BRIDGE STREET, ANDOVER** 6 - 10

To enable the Licensing Committee to determine an application for the variation of the annual Public Entertainment Licence in respect of The Town Mills.
7. **APPLICATION FOR NEW ANNUAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE: KNIGHTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE** 11 - 19

To consider the application of the granting of an annual Public Entertainment Licence in respect of Knightwood Leisure Centre, Valley Park, Chandlers Ford.

**ITEM 5 VARIATION OF PROVISIONAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE –  
“LIQUID”, FIRST FLOOR, 12 LONDON STREET, ANDOVER,  
HAMPSHIRE.**

The purpose of the report is to enable the Licensing Committee to decide on a application for a variation of Condition 1 relating to hours of the Provisional Public Entertainment Licence in respect of “Liquid” Night Club, First Floor, 12 London Street, Andover.

Report of the Head of Administration

**Recommended:**

- (1) That condition 1 relating to hours for the Provisional Public Entertainment Licence recently granted under Delegated Powers in respect of “Liquid “ Night Club, First Floor, 12 London Street, Andover, be varied from 1.00 a.m. until 2.00 a.m. on the morning following Monday to Saturday and Bank Holiday Sundays.

**1 Background**

- 1.1 An application for a provisional Public Entertainment Licence was received in respect of the proposed new "Liquid" Night Club, on the first floor at 12 London Street, Andover. The necessary consultations had been carried out and no objections had been received. The Provisional Licence was therefore granted under Delegated Powers by the Head of Administration with permitted hours until 1.00 a.m., Sunday to Saturday.

**2. Issues**

- 2.1 The applicant has now requested that consideration be given to extending the hours of the Provisional Public Entertainment Licence until 2.00 a.m. on the following morning Monday to Saturday and Bank Holiday Sundays.
- 2.2 These were the times contained in the original application for the Provisional Licence but, under Delegated Powers, a Licence until 1.00 a.m. only was possible.

**3. Debate on Issues**

- 3.1 No objections had been received in connection with the hours requested on the original application i.e. until 2.00 a.m. and it should be pointed out that the hours on the existing full Public Entertainment Licence for Flicks/Chaplins, Ground Floor, 12 London Street, Andover permits entertainment until 2.00 a.m. or 3.00 a.m.
- 3.2 However, the Police have a number of concerns regarding Public Order when licensed premises finish trading but in the absence of specific problems relating to a specific premise it would seem difficult to justify any refusal of an extension for a Public Entertainment Licence.

**4. Consultations**

- 4.1 Consultations have been carried out with Police, Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service, Environment and Health, Building Control and Local Members.

**5. Conclusion**

- 5.1 There would seem to be no valid reason for refusing the application to extend the Provisional Public Entertainment Licence in respect of “Liquid” Night Club, First Floor, 12 London Street, Andover, until 2.00 a.m. the following morning Monday to Saturday and on Bank Holiday Sunday’s.

<u>Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)</u>			
No of Annexes:	None		
Author:	Head of Administration	Ext:	8001
File Ref:	EH. 13/4 (113 A)		
Report to:	Licensing Committee	Date:	2 <sup>nd</sup> April, 2002

**ITEM 6      VARIATION OF ANNUAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE IN  
RESPECT OF THE TOWN MILLS, BRIDGE STREET, ANDOVER**

The purpose of the report is to enable the Licensing Committee to determine an application for the variation of the annual Public Entertainment Licence in respect of The Town Mills, Bridge Street, Andover.

Report of the Head of Administration

**Recommended:**

- (1) That the annual Public Entertainment Licence in respect of The Town Mills, Bridge Street, Andover, be varied so that the permitted hours be as under:-

**Mornings following:**

**Monday 12.00 Midnight**

**Tuesday 12.00 Midnight**

**Wednesday 12.00 Midnight**

**Thursday 1.00 a.m.**

**Friday, 2.00 a.m.**

**Saturday 2.00 a.m.**

**Sunday 12.30 a.m. (This being varied**

**until 2.00 a.m. the morning following Bank Holiday Sundays except Easter Day).**

**1. Background**

- 1.1 An application has been received for the variation in the opening hours permitted under the annual Public Entertainment Licence in respect of the Town Mills, Bridge Street, Andover as under:-

Mornings following requested variation

Monday 12.00 Midnight  
Tuesday 12.00 Midnight  
Wednesday 12.00 Midnight  
Thursday 2.00 a.m.  
Friday, 2.00 a.m.  
Saturday 2.00 a.m.  
Sunday 12.30 a.m. (This being varied until 2.00 a.m. the morning following Bank Holiday Sundays except Easter Day).

Morning following current finishing time

Monday 12.00 midnight  
Tuesday 12.00 midnight  
Wednesday 12.00 midnight  
Thursday 1.00 a.m.  
Friday 1.00 a.m.  
Saturday 1.00 a.m.  
Sunday, 12.00 midnight

**2. Debate on Issues**

- 2.1 Two Ward Members have expressed concern at the likely increase in noise to residents and visitors together with the problems which could be experienced with people leaving the premises and needing to get home should the request be granted and feel strongly that the extension should not be granted for the morning following Thursday evening. In addition the Police have objected as there has been an incident of under age drinking and problems outside the premises. It is the Police opinion that the premises is primarily a Public House and is not an entertainment venue. The Environment Portfolio holder supports the Police view and has expressed his opposition to the application for extension.

**3. Corporate Objectives and Policy\Key Decision**

- 3.1 Under the provisions of the Council's Crime and Disorder Initiative it is important that the Council gives due weight to any problems identified concerning public entertainment venues.

**4. Consultations**

- 4.1 Consultations have taken place with the Police, Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service, Environment and Health, Technical Services and Local Ward Members.

**5. Conclusion**

- 5.1 The problems of noise and public order in the centre of Andover are of concern and the Committee must decide whether the extra time requested would be likely to substantially increase these problems. It is suggested that this is unlikely and that the variation requested be approved for the mornings following Friday, Saturday and Sunday but not Thursday.

<u>Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)</u>			
No of Annexes:	1		
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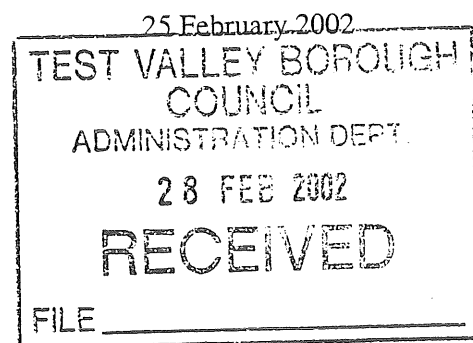
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Mr Clive Judd  
Administration Service  
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Dear Mr Judd,

## Variation of Public Entertainment Licence Town Mills Public House

Please note that the police would wish to object to any extension in the permitted hours for the above premises. My reasons for this objection are as follows:

The premises are the most popular in the town to the younger age group.

17/11/01 two 17 year old girls arrested for being drunk and disorderly both state they were regular drinkers in the pub.

28/12/01 5 girls in separate groups aged between 16-17 years were found drinking by police and ejected.

12/01/02 a 16 year old youth was arrested nearby for being drunk and disorderly and admitted drinking in the pub.

Several other people have been arrested for being drunk and disorderly on leaving the premises.

I have noticed, and this is confirmed by other officers that those leaving the premises consistently cause more of a disturbance than any other.

A complaint was made to the brewery by Councillor Rankin Moore concerning the abusive behaviour made by a member of door staff ( from Leisure World Security ) to his daughter over the Christmas period, the door man was sacked.

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The Licensee Chris Bell is aware of my concerns and I believe he is trying hard to eradicate the problems, however I believe these problems will persist whilst the premises remain popular with the younger 'end of the market'.

With the limited number of available taxis often leading to fights, the terminal hour of 1 am is also useful as it allows a staggered exit of customers from Breakers and Town Mills, presenting less of a strain.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Jennings'.

Andrew Jennings  
Licensing Inspector

**ITEM 7 APPLICATION FOR NEW ANNUAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE: KNIGHTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE, VALLEY PARK**

The purpose of the report is to consider the application of the granting of an annual Public Entertainment Licence in respect of Knightwood Leisure Centre, Valley Park, Chandlers Ford.

Report of the Head of Administration

**Recommended:**

- (1) That a Public Entertainment Licence be granted in respect of Knightwood Leisure Centre, Valley Park, Chandlers Ford, for six months subject to the Council's Standard Conditions and hours together with any additional conditions proposed by the Council's consultees.**

**1. Background**

- 1.1 Knightwood Leisure Centre has been constructed off Skywood Lane, Skyways Road, Valley Park, Chandlers Ford, and an application for an annual Public Entertainment Licence has been received.
- 1.2 The application was advertised in the local press and on the premises and three objections have been received, which are copied in full for information in Annex A together with responses from the applicant.

**2. Debate on Issues**

- 2.1 Four objections have been received to this application and these, together with responses from the applicant, are annexed to the report in full.
- 2.2 The North Baddesley Parish Council initially requested that any Public Entertainment Licence granted should terminate at 11.30 p.m., the same as that granted for the North Baddesley Village Hall but is now opposed to the granting of the Licence. The Head of Environment and Health has recommended that the problems with amplified music could possibly be overcome with the use of a noise level limiter set by his Service together with a stipulation on the licence that doors and windows should be remain shut when any public entertainment is taking place but this may be difficult to enforce.

**3. Consultations**

3.1 Consultations have taken place with Environmental Health, Technical Services, Police, Fire Authority, Local Members and the Parish Council.

**4 Conclusion**

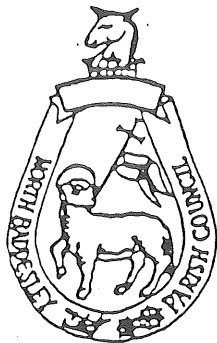
4.1 It is suggested that the size and design of this building does not immediately lend itself for major public entertainments. Indeed the Indoor Leisure Centre in West Street, Andover, a considerably larger building, does not host frequent public entertainments. The scope for use for public entertainment may therefore, of necessity be somewhat limited.

4.2 It should, however, be noted that private parties e.g. birthday parties, wedding receptions etc., could be held at the Leisure Centre without the need for a Public Entertainment Licence. The total occupancy of the premises for public entertainment would be limited to 200 persons and it is suggested that the Council might wish to grant a licence with no guarantee that it would be renewed, to gauge any likely disturbance.

<u>Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)</u>			
NONE			
No of Annexes:	5		
Author:	Tom Van Der Hoven	Ext:	8001
File Ref:	EH. 13/4 (232)		
Report to:	The Licensing Committee	Date:	2 <sup>nd</sup> April, 2002

EH 13/4 (232)

# NORTH BADDESLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Parish Clerk:

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Mr C Judd/Mrs G Goodlad  
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Beech Hurst  
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17 December 2001

Dear Mr Judd/Mrs Goodlad

**APPLICATION FOR A PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE**  
**KNIGHTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE, CHANDLERS FORD**

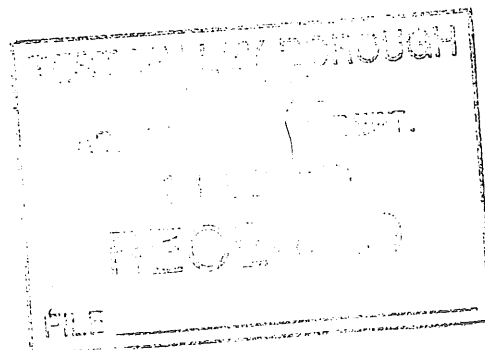
I am writing to inform you that the Council has received further information in respect of the above application.

Local residents feel that, apart from the noise generated by discos, rowdy behaviour and vandalism would also be likely to arise from such events.

On this basis the Council is therefore against this application being granted.

Yours sincerely

Joan Harrington  
Parish Council



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14 December 2001

Head of Administration  
Test Valley Borough Council  
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Dear Sirs

**YOUR REF: EH13/4 (232) – APPLICATION FOR AN ANNUAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE – KNIGHTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE VALLEY PARK CHANDLERS FORD**

Thank you for your letter dated 5 December 2001.

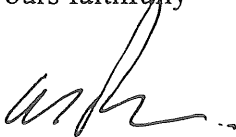
We feel that we can add no further comment to this application as it has become clear all along that Mr Easton would rather side step the important issues raised by our genuine concerns rather than give honest and straightforward replies.

In particular, on three attempts, he has not even responded to our concerns over occasional licences.

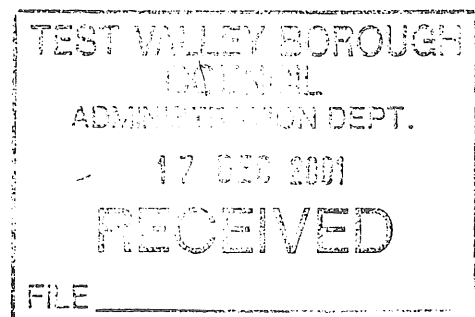
It would appear that Mr Easton believes that this application is a foregone conclusion as, according to the staff at the leisure centre, work is already in hand to erect a drinks bar and would facility customers either bringing their own alcohol or supplying it from their own brewery sources. If only Mr Easton had been as straightforward!

We would trust that our genuine concerns would be given consideration when a final decision of this application has been made.

Yours faithfully



C D & Mrs H E Prior



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12 December 2001

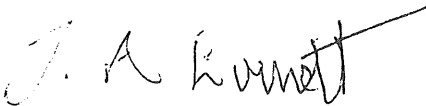
Dear Sir

KNIGHTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE  
VALLEY PARK  
CHANDLERS FORD.

When the above centre was proposed and subsequently we were informed it would be a leisure centre. It now seems to be planning to become a social centre with none leisure activities including a bar. This is a completely different use of the building.

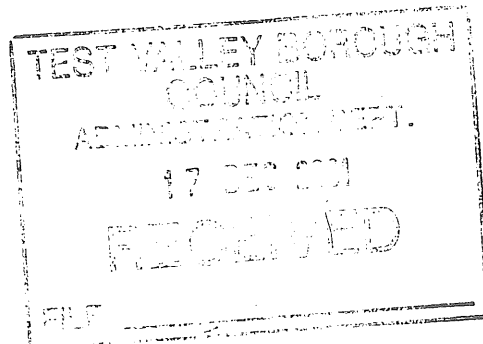
The existing centre, which I use on average twice a week, is good apart from the car park. I do suffer some noise from the out size courts and pitches, including shouting and swearing. I would appreciate your comments on this change in use

Yours faithfully



J. A. Evenett

Head of Administration  
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9 December 2001

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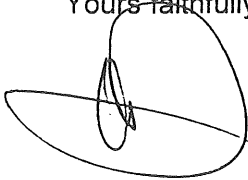
Dear Sir/Madam

**YOUR REFERENCE: EH13/4 (232) APPLICATION FOR AN ANNUAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE – KNIGHTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE VALLEY PARK CHANDLERS FORD**

In reference to your letter of the 5<sup>th</sup> inst, in which you refer to the applicant' comments over my letter of objection to the above, I reply.

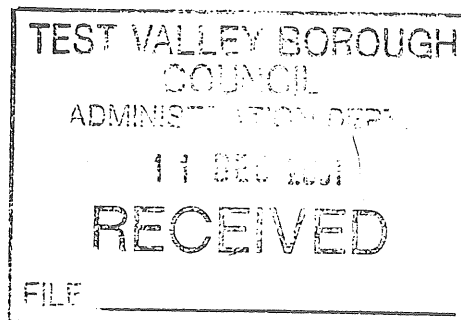
My original objections remain unaltered, despite the comments of the applicant. The staffing level's appear appropriate for the day to day running of the sports facilities in that they can control their work load for which they are employed, but do not appear to have "spare time " to take on other duties. It is regrettably a fact in these modern times that the " moths around a flame " syndrome is relevant in that if you set out to attract interest, particularly music in an isolated area which is difficult to control, with the known lack of police presence in today's climate you will achieve your aim. What I am saying is, and picking up on the applicant's comments there will be some form of vandalism at some time but to allow this facility can only make it worse.

Yours faithfully



Ray Dyball

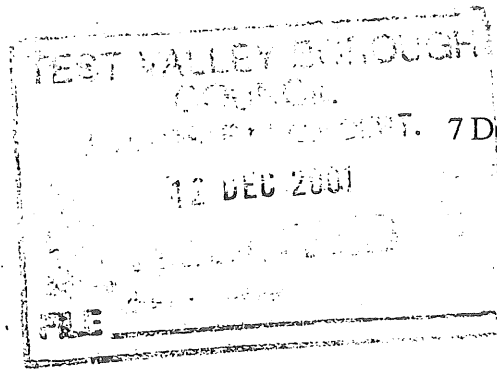
Ack. 12-12-01  
rew.





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Head of Administration,  
Test Valley Borough Council,  
Andover,

Dear Mr. Van Der Hoven,

**Application for a Public Entertainment Licence  
Knightwood Leisure Centre**

Thank you for your letter of 5 December. I do have further comments to make.

(1) "I understand from the client officers ... that no assurances were given that the Centre would not be used for social functions".

My letter made clear that I was not at the meeting concerned. However, my informant was someone whom the community has specifically entrusted to listen carefully to oral evidence and to act on that honestly. If such social functions were envisaged why was the hall not built further away from local housing – the extra cost involved in laying on utilities would not have been exorbitant?

(2) "There is a potential for other hirers to compliment (*sic*) and not duplicate facilities already in the Valley Park area. The range of social functions has already been indicated previously."

To whom was this range indicated? I should be grateful for an explanation of why catering for weddings, family parties and occasional discos, does *not* duplicate existing facilities?

(3) "The number of events requiring a public entertainment licence would be limited to 10 per annum."

Although welcoming such a statement, I was not aware that any such condition could be linked to the issuing of a public entertainment licence. In view of the mistrust which local residents already harbour, and the difficulty of "policing" such a promise, something more binding is required. **Will the Council promise that, should it be so misguided as to find in favour of the applicant, it will inform the licensing magistrates that the entertainment licence has only been granted on the strict understanding that no more than 10 applications for occasional licences per calendar year should be considered?** The applicant should, according to what he has said, have no objections to such a proviso. Even this, though, would be but a meagre

safeguard against the applicant's breaking his word by mounting events to which those attending brought their own drinks.

(4) If people do not wish to hold wedding receptions in a somewhat cheerless gym, can we be assured that the 10 events will not all become "occasional discos"? Is there really a need, at present unmet, for the latter? Perhaps, however, it is intended not to apply for occasional licences in connection with these, in an attempt to provide alcohol-free entertainment for teenagers. If this is the case, could we be given a written assurance to that effect? Moreover, during which hours will these "wedding receptions" take place? (I have never been invited to a wedding reception that began after 9pm Mondays to Fridays or 6pm at the weekend.) Are the normal sporting activities for which the centre was established to be disrupted in favour of unnecessary social functions?

(5) "I do not agree with Mr Howson's suggested finish time of 9pm."

Clearly, someone cannot read and understand straightforward English. In my letter I referred explicitly to "floodlighting". How will giving residents an assurance that floodlighting will always be switched off by 9 pm, "leave the hall a most unattractive venue"? Does the applicant intend to have floodlighting on after that time? Our letter made it clear that my wife and I are strongly opposed to the granting of a Public Entertainment Licence to the applicant, and so any suggestion by us of a "finish time" would have been irrelevant.

What is relevant is: **what guarantees on "finish times" is the applicant prepared to give in connection with his application?**

(6) "The issue of controlling noise levels will be dealt with by the on-site management. If necessary we would liase (*sic*) with TVBC and *could* (my italics) agree to a noise limiter."

Surely, it would be essential that the applicant agreed to a noise limiter, i.e. "would" should replace "could". What, however, is a "noise limiter"? I do not find this promised guarantee at all satisfactory. Was the building erected with the quality of soundproofing required for such events? Will windows, of necessity, have to be opened on hot evenings?

The granting of a licence would I fear be another, and I suspect irreversible, imposition on local residents. Looking at the plans circulated by the Council in August 1998, I see that the central pavilion is now about 25% longer than originally planned and so a greater eyesore. Moreover, this month's *Valley Park Voice* tells us that "extra lighting was being installed in the skateboard park" – yet more pylons and light pollution. Was the latter indicated in the original plans?

What *was* clearly indicated in those plans was that the whole area would be landscaped and trees and shrubs planted to help conceal, for example, the long runs of wire meshing which give the tennis courts and multipurpose area such a dismal appearance for anyone travelling northwards along Knightwood Road. May I suggest that no applications to add to the burdens of local residents should even be considered, until the *promised* actions to alleviate some of the problems caused by the construction of the centre have been completed.

I look forward to receiving your responses to my questions. I appreciate that these are many, but all should have been carefully considered already by your officers and so supplying answers should not be too time-consuming.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A.G. Howson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A" and "H".

(A.G. Howson)

Cc. Councillor A. Dowden

