Minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee of the Test Valley Borough Council held in Council Chamber, Guildhall, Andover on Tuesday 9th January 2007 at 9.30 a.m.

Attendance:

Councillor J. Budzynski (P) Councillor A.G. Dowden (P) Councillor A. Hope (P)

Also in attendance:

Mr M Forster – Barrister for the Police Inspector I Whyton Inspector P Funnell Sergeant T Adams Mr J Smith – Solicitor for Luminar Leisure Mr Dennis – Director, Luminar Leisure Mr Cooper, Manager LIFE

1 <u>Minutes</u>

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11th August 2006 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

2 Review of Premises Licence following a closure order – Life, 12 London Street, Andover SP10 2PA

The purpose of the meeting was to review the Premises Licence for the premises known as "Life", 12 London Street, Andover, following a police closure order being placed on the premises on 14th December 2006 in accordance with the provisions of section 161 of the Licensing Act 2003.

The Sub-Committee were informed that the parties representing the Police and the Premises had negotiated a proposal to resolve the present difficulties, which included the addition of three further conditions to the Premises Licence. This was commended to the Sub-Committee.

The Chairman invited Mr Forster, on behalf of the Police, to outline the additional conditions to be imposed on the Premises Licence. Mr Forster stated that the proposed conditions were as follows:

- No admission or re-admission to the premises after midnight except for persons using the designated smoking area (customers using the designated smoking area to be hand stamped to allow re-admission)
- Challenge 21 to be used as a criteria for staff to allow admission to the premises and for the sale of alcohol (If staff are in any doubt as to the age of a customer, evidence of age must be produced by the customer)
- A standard of service for door supervisors (details of which to be attached to the licence conditions) to be adopted in relation to the premises.

The Chairman then invited Mr Smith, for the premises licence holders, to address the Sub-Committee. Mr Smith confirmed that his clients welcomed the additional conditions and were also prepared to implement additional measures on a voluntary basis as follows:

- The CCTV at the premises to be reviewed to ensure maximum coverage.
- Door supervisor training to be conducted to which Hampshire Constabulary would be invited to provide input.
- A monthly meeting to be held between the management of the premises and the Hampshire Constabulary.
- The premises to participate in the Andover Business against Crime Radio Scheme.
- The light patrol system to be enhanced to include observation of customers who appeared to be drunk.

The Sub-Committee were then given to opportunity to ask questions of the representatives of each of the parties.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to enable the Sub-Committee to consider the matter.

Upon return, the Chairman informed the meeting that the Sub-committee, in reaching its determination upon the matter, had had regard to the National Licensing Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, Test Valley Borough Council's own Licensing Policy, together with the representations made at the Hearing and in writing.

Decision

Resolved:

That the conditions of the Premises Licence be modified by the addition of the following conditions:

(1) There shall be no admission or re-admission to the premises after midnight except for persons using the designated smoking area

(2)	Challenge 21 shall be used as the basis for admission to the premises
	and for the sale of alcohol from the bars

(3) A standard of service for door supervisors, details of which are attached, shall be adopted in relation to the premises

(Meeting terminated at 10.55 am)