Minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee of the Test Valley Borough Council

held in Council Chamber, Guildhall, Andover on Tuesday 15th January 2008 at 9.30 a.m.

Attendance:

Councillor A. Hope (P) Councillor Mrs A.L. Tupper (P)

Councillor Mrs J. Whiteley (P)

Also in attendance:
Claire Johnson, Solicitor representing ASDA
Les Clemo, Store Manager, ASDA
David Fluen, Divisional Trading Law Manager, ASDA
Sgt. D Wright Hampshire Constabulary
Georgina Fice, Hampshire Constabulary

1 Appointment of Chairman

Resolved:

That Councillor Hope be appointed Chairman for the duration of the meeting.

2 <u>Minutes</u>

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd November 2007 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3 <u>Application for a new Premises Licence – ASDA Superstore,</u> <u>Anton Mill Road, Andover SP10</u>

The Sub-Committee considered an application by ASDA Stores Limited for a new premises licence for the premises to be known as ASDA Superstore, Anton Mill Road, Andover. The premises are a new purpose built supermarket with car park in Andover town centre.

As these are new premises a new Premises Licence is required and the applicant has now applied under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for such a licence. The application has attracted representations necessitating the application to be determined at a hearing. The application seeks the following licensable activities:

- The supply of alcohol for consumption off the premises for 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and
- The provision of late night refreshment from (2300 hours to 0500 hours).

The Licensing Manager informed the Sub-Committee that the Hampshire Constabulary had withdrawn their objections to the granting of the premises licence as the applicant had submitted an amended application. The amendment provided for SIA registered door staff to be present during the night time hours, which was now acceptable.

Claire Johnson the solicitor representing ASDA Stores Ltd outlined the case on behalf of the applicant. She confirmed to the Sub-Committee that agreement had been reached with the police regarding the hours when SIA registered door staff would be on duty in the premises.

The Sub-Committee were then given the opportunity to ask questions of the applicant's representatives, the police and the Licensing Manager.

In answer to a question from a Member, Claire Johnson confirmed that the premises would have "Challenge 21" signage" prominently displayed and that the Store Manager had already applied to join the town centre radio scheme.

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

DECISION:

That the application for a new premises licence be granted. The Sub-Committee were pleased that the amended application provided for SIA registered security staff to be on duty during the night time hours.

In reaching its decision on this application, the Sub-Committee had regard to national guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act, the Council's own Statement of Licensing Policy, together with representations made at the hearing and in writing.

Resolved:

That the Premises Licence be granted.

(Meeting terminated at 10.42 am)