LICENSING AND REGULATION COMMITTEE

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APPLICATION FOR AN OCCASIONAL PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE FOR AN OPEN AIR MUSIC FESTIVAL ON PRIVATE LAND AT METLANDS FARM, DEAN LANE, BISHOPS WALTHAM

REPORT OF CITY SECRETARY AND SOLICITOR

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report is to consider an application for a Public Entertainment Licence for a music event proposed to be held on land at Metlands Farm, Dean Lane, Bishops Waltham. The application is for the event to take place from 7 pm to 12 midnight on Friday 3 September, and the same hours on Saturday 4 September 2004.

The event is to be called the Complete Chaos Rally and is proposed to be similar to an event held at the same site in September 2003. The entertainment is to be provided in a large marguee with a stage at one end. The application is for maximum capacity of 350 persons.

The Director of Health and Housing has been consulted and should a licence be granted, recommends that certain conditions should be attached to the licence to include water supply, noise levels (including the siting of speakers etc), toilets, electrical safety, the use of lasers, emergency lighting, safety of structures and the provision of first aid.

The Police have been consulted and have been in contact with the applicants to agree the number of police officers recommended to cover this event.

The Ward Members for Bishops Waltham have been consulted. At the date of completion of this report no responses had been received.

Representations have been received from one household in the area.

A Notice of this event has been posted at the site and the organiser has agreed to send a letter to the occupiers of local addresses.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the decision to consider the grant of the Public Entertainment Licence be delegated to the City Secretary and Solicitor.