LICENSING SUB – COMMITTEE

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Report of City Secretary and Solicitor

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Application to Vary the Premises Licence for:

The Running Horse 22 Pound Hill Alresford

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Part A.

1. Application

Applicant: Greene King Retailing Ltd

Premises: The Running Horse

Conversion of the Existing Licence/s.

The conversion of the existing licence(s) was granted under delegated powers on 9 September 2005.

The current permitted hours are:

Monday to Saturday 1000 to 2300

Sunday and Good Friday 1200 to 2230

Christmas Day 1200 to 1500

1900 to 2230

New Year's Eve 1000 to 2300 1 January

The premises do not hold a Public Entertainment Licence.

Application for Variation.

The application is for variation of the Premises Licence during the Transitional Period under Schedule 8 paragraph 7(b) of the Licensing Act 2003, to extend the hours when the premises are open to the public, for the sale of alcohol and regulated entertainment.

Notice of the application was displayed outside of the premises for a period of 28 days until 20 August 2005, and advertised in the Hampshire Chronicle on 5 August 2005.

The Operating Schedule, copied at Appendix 1, proposes the Relevant Licensable Activities as:

1 Regulated Entertainment (E,F,H)

Live Music including one or two piece bands, karaoke from 1900 until 2330 Monday to Saturday and until 2230 on Sunday up to a maximum of six times per month and until 0200 on New Years Eve.

2 Late Night Refreshment (L)

Recorded music from 1900 until 2330 Monday to Saturday and from 1900 until 2230 on Sunday for discos up to a maximum of 6 times per month and until 0200 on New Years Eve.

3 Supply of Alcohol (M)

From 1000 until 2330 Monday to Thursday, from 1000 until 0100 Friday and Saturday and from 1200 until 2300 Sunday. Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day, Spring and August Bank Holidays, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Sunday and Monday and any other bank holidays 1000 until 0100.

4. Hours Premises Open To The Public (O)

From 1000 until 0000 Monday to Thursday, from 1000 until 0200 Friday and Saturday and from 1200 until 2300 on Sunday. Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day, Spring and August Bank Holidays, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Sunday and Monday and any other bank holidays from 1000 until 0200.

(The above letters in brackets refer to the relevant sections of the application form)

Designated Premises Supervisor

Simon Mitchell

Steps to promote the Licensing Objectives

Please see Section Q Appendix 1

Notice of Hearing

Notices of the hearing were sent to all Parties on 4 September 2005.

Relevant Representations

2. Responsible Authorities

All of the Responsible Authorities have been served with a copy of the application and make the following representations:

Director of Communities

No representations received.

Hampshire Constabulary

No representations received.

Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service

No representations received.

Child Protection Team

No representations received.

Director of Development

No representations received.

Head of Safety Standards

No representations received.

3. **Interested Parties**

- 1. Mr and Mrs Jeremy Rothman
- 2. Mrs P A. Sargent
- 3. D. M. Meadwell
- 4. Mr Rick Radley
- 5. Mr and Mrs Kimber
- 6. Brian and Anne O'Rorke
- 7. R. D. Downham
- 8. Mrs Josephine Wright9. Mr and Mrs A Brill
- 10. Mrs E P Hawkins
- 11. L Lockington

4. Observations

The Sub-Committee is obliged to determine this application with a view to promoting the Licensing Objectives:

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

In making its decision, the Sub-Committee is also obliged to have regard to the National Guidance and the Council's Licensing Policy.

The Sub-Committee must have regard to all of the representations.

The Sub-Committee must take such of the following steps it considers necessary to promote the Licensing Objectives:

- 1. Grant the application as per the application, or
- 2. Modify the conditions of the licence by alteration or addition, or
- 3. Reject the whole or part of the application.

Decisions made under 2 or 3 above must actually be necessary to promote the Licensing Objectives.

Terminal hours.

The Sub-Committee should take account of the National Guidance and the Council's Licensing Policy with regard to terminal hours and take such steps as it considers necessary to promote the Licensing Objectives.

(Licensing Policy A8)

Licensing Objectives.

Crime and Disorder

The Sub-Committee should consider any necessary conditions to prevent crime and public disorder relating to the premises having regard to the observations of the interested parties and the Council's Licensing Policy.

(Licensing Policy 1.6, 2.11, 2.17)

Public Safety

The Sub-Committee should consider any necessary conditions relating to public safety having regard to the Council's Licensing Policy

(Licensing Policy B3, B4)

Public Nuisance

The Sub-Committee should consider any necessary conditions to prevent public nuisance caused by noise pollution and disturbance from the premises having regard to the observations of the Interested Parties, The Operati,ng Schedule and the Council's Licensing Policy

(Licensing Policy Section C)

Protection of Children

The Sub-Committee should consider any necessary conditions for the Protection of Children having regard to the Operating Schedule and the Council's Licensing Policy

(Licensing Policy D6, D7)

Human Rights

It is considered that Articles 6 (right to a fair trial) 8 (right to respect for private and family life) and Article 1 of the First Protocol (right to peaceable enjoyment of possessions) may be relevant. As there is a right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court, it is considered that there would be no infringement of Article 6. Article 8 is relevant, insofar as the nearby residents could claim that this right would be infringed by disturbance from customers. This should be balanced against the applicants' right to use of their premises under Article 1 of the First Protocol. Interference with these rights is permitted, where this interference is lawful, necessary in a democratic society, and proportionate. Likewise, the residents may argue that their rights under Article 1 of the First Protocol would be infringed. If conditions are imposed, there should be no interference with any convention rights. To the extent that any interference may occur, it would be justifiable in a democratic society, and proportionate.

5. <u>Conditions</u>

Mandatory Conditions

Under the Licensing Act 2003, the following conditions must be imposed on the Premises Licence in any event:-

- No supply of alcohol may be made under the Premises Licence (a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or (b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
- 2. Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
- 3. Where individuals are required on premises to carry out security activities, they must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.

Possible Conditions

If the application is granted, the Sub-Committee may wish to consider the following conditions to reflect the Operating Schedule:

Operating Hours

1. The hours the premises may open for other than Licensable Activities shall be:

(i)	Monday to Thursday	1000 to 0000
(ii)	Friday and Saturday	1000 to 0200
(iii)	Sunday	1200 to 2330
(iv)	Christmas Eve, Easter Sunday, Bank Holidays, New Year's Eve	1000 to 0200

2. The hours the premises may be used for the sale of alcohol shall be:

(i)	Monday to Thursday	1000 to 2330
(ii)	Friday and Saturday	1000 to 0100
(iii)	Sunday	1200 to 2300
(v)	Christmas Eve, Easter Sunday, Bank Holidays, New Year's Eve	1000 to 0100

3. The hours the premises may be used for regulated entertainment shall be:

(i)	Monday to Saturday	1900 to 2330
(ii)	Sunday	1900 to 2230
(iii)	New Year's Eve	1900 to 0200

Live music and Karaoke may be held up to six occasions per month.

Discos may be held up to six occasions per month.

All Licensing Objectives

[Dealt with in relevant sections below].

Crime and Disorder

None.

Public Safety

None

Public Nuisance

- 1. Whilst music is being played as part of regulated entertainment, the licensee or appointed member of staff shall check periodically that noise levels are acceptable. Such monitoring shall be carried out at the boundary of the premises to ensure that local residents are not likely to be disturbed.
- 2. Prominent, clear notices shall be displayed at all exits requesting customers to respect the needs of local residents, to leave the premises and the area quietly.
- 3. Staff shall be given appropriate instructions and training to encourage customers to leave the premises quietly and not to loiter in the vicinity of the premises so as to minimize disturbance to local residents.
- 4. Regulated entertainment shall be restricted to the inside of the premises.

Protection of Children

- 1. The premises shall adopt and implement the Hampshire Constabulary's Challenge 21 Scheme.
- 2. Children shall only be permitted in the Function Room and Saloon bar until 2000 and shall be accompanied by an adult.

Embedded Restrictions

1. The provisions of the Licensing Act 1964, The Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1955, the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 and the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 shall apply.

Informatives

The following measures are recommended to the Licensee, but are not being suggested as conditions, and would not be enforceable under the Licensing Act. In many cases, however, they may be requirements under other legislation.

1. The Licensee is advised to establish the acceptable occupancy for the premises in accordance with fire safety legislation.

- 2. All doors on escape routes should be free from fastenings, or if fitted should only be simple fastenings that can be readily operated from the side approached by people making an escape. The operation of these fastenings should be without the use of a key and without having to manipulate more than one mechanism.
- 3. Periodic inspection certificates should be kept on the premises for the emergency lighting, fire fighting equipment, and fire alarm and detection system.
- 4. Copies of fire test results on any fabrics should be held on the premises for inspection if required.
- 5. If the premises are not fitted with a fire alarm and detection system then a written procedure for raising the alarm should be kept on the premises.

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6. Other Considerations

Corporate Strategy (Relevance To:)

This report covers issues which affect the Community safety, Economic Prosperity, and Cultural and Leisure Opportunities of the Corporate Strategy.

Resource Implications

None

Appendices

- 1. Application by Greene King Retailing Ltd
- 2. Representations by Interested Parties
- 3. Map of premises location.