

London Borough of Islington

LICENSING REGULATORY COMMITTEE – 27 JUNE 2006

Non-exempt minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Regulatory Committee held at Islington Town Hall, Upper Street, London N1 2UD, on 27 June 2006, at 2.30pm.

Present: **Councillors:** Jilani Chowdhury, Fiona Dunlop (Chair), Stefan Kasprzyk

COUNCILLOR FIONA DUNLOP IN THE CHAIR

001 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Item A1)**

Received from Councillor James Murray.

002 **DECLARATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (Item A2)**

None.

003 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item A3)**

None.

004 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 DECEMBER 2005 (Item A4)**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 December 2005 be confirmed as a correct record and the Chair be authorised to sign them.

005 **APPLICATION TO DESIGNATE PARTS OF THE STREET FOR STREET TRADING PURPOSES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS AROUND THE NEW EMIRATES STADIUM (Item B1)**

Maps of the locations for the proposed new market pitches were laid round. The Street Trading Manager also made a presentation to the Committee on the sitings for the proposed new pitches.

A number of street traders, who traded in the vicinity of the former Arsenal Stadium, were present and asked questions and made representations about the proposals in the report.

However, as the Committee were aware that the East Area Committee would be considering a report on traffic management and accessibility issues around the Stadium on the evening of 27 June 2006, including Traffic Management Orders, they felt that they could be seen as pre-empting the decision of the Area Committee if they proceeded to make decisions relating to the designation of trading pitches in some of these streets. The Committee therefore decided to defer consideration of those streets which would be the subject of discussion at the East Area Committee on the evening of 27 June 2006. Mindful of the fact that the livelihoods of stallholders would be adversely affected by further delays, and that the matter could not therefore wait until the next ordinary meeting in September 2006, the Chair of the Committee suggested that an additional meeting of the Licensing Regulatory Committee be called for Thursday, 13 July

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2006, at 2.30 pm, for the purpose of considering the outstanding street designations for street trading purposes.

RESOLVED:

(a) That, subject to the standard street trading licence conditions set out in Appendix P to the report by the Assistant Director of Public Protection, the following 3 locations be designated for street trading purposes (Appendix A), such designation to take effect from 27 July 2006:

1. Isledon Road, N7 – approximately 30 metres from the Medical Foundation, 111 Isledon Road, in a southerly direction – 1 pitch
2. St Thomas' Road, N4 - in the carriageway, by the Church on the yellow line. These pitches will relinquish 2 parking bays in Monsell Road – 2 pitches
3. Highbury Hill, N5 - in the carriageway, outside no 190 and 192 – 1 pitch.

The operating times of all these pitches are Arsenal Match Days only and will be 2 hours before the start of the match and to cease trading and vacate the trading area within 1 hour of the end of the game or any ceremonies.

(b) That, pending consideration of traffic management issues around the Emirates Stadium by the East Area Committee on 27 June 2006 and further discussion by officers of all other traffic management issues associated with these streets, the proposals in the report relating to the locations detailed below (Appendix A) be deferred:

1. Lowman Road, N7 – in the carriageway, by the side of 49a Hornsey Road (2 pitches)
2. Drayton Park, N5 – the east side of the footway, from 114 to 180 Drayton Park (a maximum of 4 pitches)
3. Drayton Park, N5 – in the carriageway, outside nos 82 and 84 Drayton Park (1 pitch)
4. Drayton Park, N5 – in the carriageway, outside no 178 Drayton Park (1 pitch)
5. Drayton Park, N5 – in the carriageway, outside Drayton Park Community Centre, no 52 Drayton Park (2 pitches).

(c) That it be noted that the Chair had called an additional meeting of the Licensing Regulatory Committee on Thursday, 13 July 2006, at 2.30 pm, to consider the five outstanding street designations detailed in resolution (b) above.

Reason:

The Committee are mindful that the livelihoods of the street traders will be adversely affected should the status quo be maintained and have therefore authorised designation of those streets where they are satisfied that it is appropriate in the circumstances.

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DESIGNATION OF PROHIBITED STREET TRADING AROUND THE NEW EMIRATES STADIUM (Item B2)

The Committee heard representations from one objector who was present.

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RESOLVED:

(a) That the decision detailed in the report by the Assistant Director of Public Protection to prohibit street trading in Bryantwood Road be endorsed, as this is a residential street that is not on the prescribed walking route. The Council does not want to encourage supporters to use this road as a means of pedestrian access to the Stadium.

(b) That the proposals relating to Benwell Road and Hornsey Road be not agreed, as the Committee have not heard sufficient reasons as to why all forms of street trading should be prohibited from the identified areas.

007 EXMOUTH MARKET – NEW FOOD AND CRAFTS MARKET (Item B3)

The proposed licensee, Louise Brewood, was present and made representations to the Committee on behalf of the Exmouth Market Traders' Association.

RESOLVED:

That, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 2 of the report of the Assistant Director of Public Protection, the Exmouth Market Traders' Association be granted a licence to host a regular Friday and Saturday food and crafts market in Exmouth Market.

Reason

The partnership approach between the Council and the Exmouth Market Traders' Association should lead to the rejuvenation of a local facility.

008 WHITECROSS STREET MARKET – ECONOMIC STUDY (Item B4)

RESOLVED:

That the report by the Assistant Director of Public Protection, detailing proposals by the Council's Street Trading Service, EC1 New Deal for Communities and a number of key partners to develop a strategy to regenerate Whitecross Street Market, be noted.

009 TIME OF FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Chair stated that representations had been made by a number of Councillors about the possibility of rescheduling meetings of the Licensing Regulatory Committee to evenings, as some members of the Committee were in full-time employment and could not attend meetings during the day.

The Committee noted that meetings had historically been held at 2.30 pm, and on a Monday, in order to facilitate attendance by market stallholders and street traders.

RESOLVED:

That it be noted (i) that the Street Trading Manager had undertaken to consult informally with street traders and market stall holders on the proposal, but on the basis that it was the Council's intention to move meetings of the Committee to evenings (ii) that the Head of Democratic Service's representative would seek the necessary agreement from the Chief Whips of both political parties.

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The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

CHAIR