

# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Licensing Committee**  
held on Tuesday, 5th May, 2009 at Committee Suite 1, 2 & 3, Westfields,  
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

## **PRESENT**

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)  
Councillor D Bebbington (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors Rachel Bailey, Rhoda Bailey, G Baxendale, T Beard, H Davenport,  
B Dykes, E Gilliland, M Parsons, A Ranfield and C Tomlinson

## **Substitute**

Councillor M Hardy

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mrs K Khan, Solicitor  
Miss C Kerr, Licensing Officer  
Mrs J Zientek, Democratic Services Officer

## **47 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L Gilbert and J  
Goddard.

## **48 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor B Dykes declared a personal interest in respect of the business  
of the meeting, on the grounds that he was a Local Ward Member.

## **49 DETERMINATION OF INTERIM STEPS PENDING REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE - WHITE HORSE, PILLORY STREET, NANTWICH**

In attendance:

Mr J Coen, Solicitor, Ford & Warren Solicitors, on behalf of the Premises  
Licence Holder, Punch Taverns  
Mr C Bailey-Gibbs, Trainee, Ford & Warren Solicitors  
Mr D Smethurst, Police Licensing Officer  
Mr J Hodson, Tenant, White Horse, Pillory Street, Nantwich

The Committee considered a report which detailed an application made by  
Cheshire Police for a summary review of the Premises Licence of the  
White Horse, Pillory Street, Nantwich, under section 53A of the Licensing  
Act 2003. On 29<sup>th</sup> April 2009, the Licensing Authority had imposed  
conditions on the Premises Licence as interim steps. Representations in

relation to the interim steps had subsequently been received from the Premises Licence holder, and a response to these representations had been received from Cheshire Police.

Mr Coen and Mr Smethurst made representations with respect to the interim steps.

After a full hearing and in accordance with the rules of procedure, the Chairman of the Committee reported that after taking account of all the evidence, including the oral representations and the written submissions of interested parties, the following course of action had been agreed.

#### RESOLVED

- (a) That condition one in relation to a minimum age of 21 for entry to the premises, imposed as an interim step, be withdrawn.
- (b) That condition two, imposed as an interim step, be modified to read: "That a 'Challenge 21' proof of age scheme shall be in operation in relation to all sales of alcohol."

Members were mindful that this decision was made on the basis of the evidence before them and that they would approach any further decision at any future hearing with an open mind and on the basis of evidence presented to them at such a hearing.

The meeting commenced at 2.30 pm and concluded at 4.10 pm

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)