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LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

5 September 2007

Present:- Councillor Cooper in the Chair

Councillors Hambleton and Heesom

Zahoor Hussain } Applicant
Masood Hussain }

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Herjinder Aoulick - Solicitor } Staffs Police
Sarah Allen - Barrister }

Elaine Moulton LPA

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Issues

Representations had been received from Staffordshire Police and the Planning Authority concerning the prevention of crime and disorder.

Decision

The Sub-Committee having taken into account the Licensing Act 2003, the Guidance issued under the Act and the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and having considered the licensing objectives in the light of what had been said were persuaded that to grant a variation of the licence on the terms applied for would fail to promote the Licensing Objectives.

The Sub-Committee were concerned that there was a lack of provision to assist dispersal at the proposed terminal hour and were not convinced that there were proper controls in place to prevent crime and disorder in the vicinity of the premises.

The Sub-Committee felt that the premises would be a magnet for alcohol fuelled persons from other premises after they had closed and police evidence, as supported by the Planning Authority clearly showed that this would result in an increase in nuisance and crime and disorder in the vicinity of the premises which was already a 'hot spot' in the town centre.

Further, since the applicant had failed to demonstrate that the operation of the premises would not add to the cumulative impact already being experienced, the Sub-Committee were disposed to refuse the application and issue a notice to that effect.

**J COOPER
Chair**