AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

REPORT: Regulatory Committee

DATE: 9 September 2005

REPORTING OFFICER: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: Application to vary premises licence –The Croft

Halton Lodge Avenue Runcorn

WARDS: Grange

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To hold a hearing to assess relevant representations made in response to an application in respect of the Croft Halton Lodge Avenue Halton Lodge Runcorn.

2. RECOMMENDATION: That the Committee considers the relevant representations.

3. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 An application has been made under section 34 Licensing Act 2003 ("the 2003 Act") as applied by Schedule 8 paragraph 7 for the variation of the premises licence in relation to the above property.
- 3.2 This hearing is held in accordance with the 2003 Act and the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.
- **3.3** The procedure to be followed has been circulated to all parties and will be repeated at the beginning of the hearing.
- **3.4** The hearing is solely concerned with those aspects of the application which have been the subject of relevant representations as defined in the 2003 Act.

4. RELEVENT REPRESENTATIONS

4.1 RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

- The following responsible authorities have made relevant representations
 - **Environmental Health**
- The relevant representations relate to

Environmental Health

Environmental Health would not object to the extension of hours in principle but would request these are subject to the following conditions

- All activities categorised in sections B C D E G H I J & L shall cease at 23.00 hrs Sunday – Thursday and 00.00 hrs Friday and Saturday.
- o The use of any outside area shall cease at 23.00 hrs
- All doors and windows must be kept closed when any amplified music or voices are being played within the premises.
- Any live music played at the premises shall be played through a noise limiting device. The activation of this device must be set and sealed by an officer of the Local Authority's Environmental Health Division.
- No speakers shall be used outside the building: this will include any beer gardens or outside drinking area or car park

4.2 INTERESTED PARTIES

 The following interested parties have made relevant representations B Metcalfe 58 Grangemoor Runcorn WA7 5YA Mrs E Dodd 55 Grangemoor Runcorn WA7 5YA

The relevant representations relate to

- Current noise nuisance from music from the premises will be greatly increased if licensing hours extended.
- Sleep disturbance because of the noise from the premises
- Police and Environmental Health have already contacted because of the current noise nuisance from the premises.

5. OPTIONS

- **5.1** The Committee has the following options:
 - Grant subject to conditions
 - Reject the application.

6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None.

8. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Document	Place of Inspection	Contact Officer
Application Documents	Legal Services	John Tully/Kay Cleary