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Regulatory Committee

Monday, 22 May 2006 6.00 p.m. Town Hall, Runcorn

Chief Executive

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Councillor Robert Gilligan Labour

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The next meeting of the Committee is on Monday, 5 June 2006

ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

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2.	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
	Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal or personal and prejudicial interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda, no later than when that item is reached and (subject to certain exceptions in the Code of Conduct for Members) to leave the meeting prior to discussion and voting on the item.	
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In accordance with the Health and Safety at Work Act the Council is required to notify those attending meetings of the fire evacuation procedures. A copy has previously been circulated to Members and instructions are located in all rooms within the Civic block.

REPORT: Regulatory Committee

DATE: 22 May 2006

REPORTING OFFICER: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: Application for a premises Licence at JJS

General Store 87 Frederick Street Widnes

WARDS: Kingsway

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To hold a hearing to assess relevant representations made in response to an application in respect of JJS General Store 87 Frederick Street Widnes

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee considers the relevant representations.

3. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- **3.1** An application has been made under section 17 Licensing Act 2003 ("the 2003 Act")
- 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.
- 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.

THE APPLICATION

- **4.1** J Sangaranarayanapillai has applied for a premises licence in respect of 87 Frederick Street Widnes.
- **4.2** The application is for the supply of alcohol off the premises between the hours of 06.00 to 22.30 each day.
- **4.3** In addition the applicant has advised the hours the premises are open to the public are 06.00 to 22.30 each day.

4.4 The premises are described as a corner ground floor shop in a Victorian terrace being a standard general shop.

5 RELEVENT REPRESENTATIONS

5.1 RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

CHESHIRE CONSTABULARY

The Police have requested the following conditions be attached to the premises licence.

Proof of Age / Challenge 21

The licence holder shall ensure that anyone who appears to be under 21 years of age and who attempts to purchase alcohol will be asked to prove their age. Accepted methods of proof of age are: passports, photo driving licences and PASS accredited proof of age cards e.g. Validate, Connexions, Citizen Card, Prove It Card. If any such person fails to satisfy the licence holder by means of such proof of age that they are 18 years old or older that person shall be refused the sale of alcohol

Staffing Levels

To afford a level of protection and security for staff there must never be less than two members of staff on duty at any given time.

Storage / Display

- All spirits must be displayed behind the counter where they can only be accessed by staff, and not offered for self-service
- In the event of any curtailment of hours for the sale of alcohol (imposed by Committee as a result of public objections) any displays of alcohol that are placed in the front of the venue for self-service must be capable of being covered or screened over outside such hours to prevent selection by the public

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Environmental Health have advised that having considered the potential impact with regard to Public Nuisance they have no objection to the application for the supply of alcohol from the premises.

5.2 INTERESTED PARTIES

• The following interested parties have made relevant representations

There have been 150 letters of objection to the application from interested parties in the vicinity of the premises (see appendix A)

The representations relate to the following, which will be expanded on at the hearing: -

- The premises are situated adjacent to old age pensioner bungalows, which have, in the past been targeted by intoxicated youths. If the licence where granted it would bring upheaval in the pensioners lives.
- Simms Cross school playing fields are used for underage drinking another off licence within the close proximity would only add to the chaotic ongoing situation.
- An off licence was previously situated on Dickson Street and became a nucleus of youth activity causing problems in the area.
- Other off licences in the area are already causing a lot of concern regarding gangs of youths surrounding the premises.
- It is felt that the community is well and truly covered regarding licensed premises.

6.0 OPTIONS

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

7.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None.

8.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None.

9.0 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

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APPENDIX 1 OBJECTION LETTER ADDRESSES

DEAN CLOSE + CAREY STREET		
Jean Morley		E. Morris
16 Carey Street		1 Dean Close
WIDNES		WIDNES
E. E. Oldfield	J. Oldfield	The Occupier
7 Dean Close	7 Dean Close	9 Dean Close
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES

DEAN STREET

M. Meaden	Mrs. K. McPartland	Janette Stringman
15 Dean Street	21 Dean Street	22 Dean Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mrs. & Mrs. T. Fahey	Mr. F. Devaney	
25 Dean Street	26 Dean Street	
WIDNES	WIDNES	

DEIRDRE AVENUE

F. W. Eyres	Mrs. M. Eyres	Christopher Kelly
1 Deirdre Avenue	1 Deirdre Avenue	8 Deirdre Avenue
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Stuart Price	B. Price	L. Price
2 Deirdre Avenue	2 Deirdre Avenue	2 Deirdre Avenue
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
T. A. Price	Jane Kelly	Ray Mason
2 Deirdre Avenue	8 Deirdre Avenue	11 Deirdre Avenue
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
June Mason		
11 Deirdre Avenue		
WIDNES		

DICKSON CLOSE

Jean Hollins	Catherine Grimes	S. Sutton
1 Dickson Close	3 Dickson Close	4 Dickson Close
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mrs. J. Hewitt	B. J. Crompton	Shaun McWhirter
5 Dickson Close	7 Dickson Close	9 Dickson Close
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. A. Neill	T. Muldoon	Mr. S. Waller
10 Dickson Close	11 Dickson Close	11 Dickson Close
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES

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Mrs. Sadler	Mrs. E. Ayers	L. Booth
18 Dickson Close	20 Dickson Close	23 Dickson Close
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
H. Hall	P. O'Neill	P. Reid
24 Dickson Close	26 Dickson Close	27 Dickson Close
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES

DICKSON CLOSE

Mrs. Cook	Mrs. Glynn	Joanne Dyer
30 Dickson Close	30 Dickson Close	31 Dickson Close
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. R. Hamilton	S. Dwyer	
32 Dickson Close	33 Dickson Close	
WIDNES	WIDNES	

DICKSON STREET

Mrs. S. Mottershead	Mr. C. Prescott	E. Whitfield
14 Dickson Street	31 Dickson Street	33 Dickson Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. B. Whitfield	Mr. W. Kenrick	Mrs. V. Kenrick
33 Dickson Street	35 Dickson Street	35 Dickson Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
B. A. Price	Mr. W. Callaghan	M. Callaghan
37 Dickson Street	39 Dickson Street	39 Dickson Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mrs. J. Matthews	Mrs. H. Prescott	Josephine Hughes
41 Dickson Street	43 Dickson Street	45 Dickson Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Ramona Evans	William Evans	Anne Jerram
47 Dickson Street	47 Dickson Street	49A Dickson Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
E. Kelleher	V. Kelleher	
120 Dickson Street	120 Dickson Street	
WIDNES	WIDNES	

FREDERICK STREET

W. Smith	Mrs. Hall	E. Hall
5A Frederick Street	6 Frederick Street	6 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. B. P. Karalius	Mrs. J. Karalius	Simms Cross Comm.
7 Frederick Street	7 Frederick Street	Ass.
WIDNES	WIDNES	C/o 7 Frederick Street
		WIDNES
W. Lynch	J. Capener	S. Plumpton
9 Frederick Street	10 Frederick Street	11 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Brian Whitfield	Mr. J. Whitfield	C. Burge
12 Frederick Street	12 Frederick Street	14 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES

FREDERICK STREET

Mr. J. Burge	S. A. Smith	Mrs. M. Mcmullin
14 Frederick Street	15 Frederick Street	16 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
F. McMullin	Mr. B. Thompson	Mrs. C. Thompson
16 Frederick Street	17 Frederick Street	17 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
C. Rogers	D. Rogers	N. Sinnott
18 Frederick Street	18 Frederick Street	20 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
F. Sinnott	Sally Austin	Daniel Austin
20 Frederick Street	22 Frederick Street	22 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Lynne Lightfoot	Peter Williams	Nicky Worth
24 Frederick Street	26 Frederick Street	29 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mrs. T. Farrell	Mr. T. Farrell	Joe Birch
32 Frederick Street	32 Frederick Street	41 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Rachel Hughes	Mark Roberts	N. Proffitt
42 Frederick Street	42 Frederick Street	43A Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
J. Farrell	D. Constantine	Mrs. M. Constantine
60 Frederick Street	66 Frederick Street	66 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. M. Constantine	B. Lacey	The Occupier
66 Frederick Street	77 Frederick Street	83 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
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FREDERICK STREET

The Occupier 83 Frederick Street WIDNES Mr. & Mrs. Campbell 90 Frederick Street WIDNES	The Occupier 83 Frederick Street WIDNES Mrs. E. Rathbone 91 Frederick Street WIDNES	The Occupier 89 Frederick Street WIDNES Mrs. H. Webster 93 Frederick Street WIDNES
K. Maloney	Mr. & Mrs. J. Gerrard	J. T. Fenney
95 Frederick Street	97 Frederick Street	99 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
William Wright	W. Krenz	P. McPartland
100 Frederick Street	101 Frederick Street	102 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. & Mrs. Hughes	J. J. McKeown	The Occupier
103 Frederick Street	104 Frederick Street	105 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES

FREDERICK STREET

A. G. Brown	Mr. J. & B. Shaw	F. J. Wilkinson
108 Frederick Street	109 Frederick Street	115 Frederick Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. R. & Mrs. W. Wood 117 Frederick Street WIDNES	Mr. & Mrs. Lynch 121 Frederick Street WIDNES	

PRINCES STREET

T. Moran	Mr. W. Dearden	J. Lawless
29 Princes Street	30 Princes Street	31 Princes Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
A.G. Cunningham	Mr. L. Cunningham	Tanya Clarke
36 Princes Street	36 Princes Street	38 Princes Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
D. Lynch	M. Lynch	A. Hughes
39 Princes Street	39 Princes Street	44 Princes Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
The Occupier 50 Princes Street WIDNES	Mr. V. Forshaw 51 Princes Street WIDNES	Mr. E. Glover 52 Princes Street WIDNES
W. Leyshon	G. Crosby	J. Murphy
54 Princes Street	58 Princes Street	62 Princes Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
C. Murphy	C. Evans	Mrs. Krenz
62 Princes Street	65 Princes Street	67 Princes Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. P. Glover 77 Princes Street WIDNES		

SALISBURY STREET + SHARP STREET

Mr. J. Hornby	The Occupier	D. Harper
3 Salisbury Street	5 Salisbury Street	5 Salisbury Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
David Roberts	Mandy Roberts	F. Griffin
5 Salisbury Street	5 Salisbury Street	1 Sharp Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES

SHEILAGH AVENUE

James Bebbington	Mary Bebbington	
1 Sheilagh Avenue	1 Sheilagh Avenue	
WIDNES	WIDNES	

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WALLACE STREET		
Mr. J. Black	Mrs. A. Black	The Occupier
8 Wallace Street	8 Wallace Street	14 Wallace Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES
Mr. T. Bebbington	Mr. Bibby	Mrs. Quinn
16 Wallace Street	18 Wallace Street	24 Wallace Street
WIDNES	WIDNES	WIDNES

Chair of Governors Simms Cross School Kingsway Widnes

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REPORT: Regulatory Committee

DATE: 22 May 2006

REPORTING OFFICER: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: Application to vary Designated Premises

Supervisor (DPS) at The Red Admiral Public

House Runcorn.

WARDS: Halton Brook

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To hold a hearing to consider a notice from the Police under Section 37 (5) Licensing Act 2003 made in response to an application to vary the Designated Premises Supervisor ("DPS") at the Red Admiral Public House Boston Avenue Runcorn.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee considers the Section 37 (5) notice

3. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- **3.1** An application has been made under section 37 Licensing Act 2003 ("the 2003 Act") for the variation of the DPS 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 the Section 37 (5) notice.

4 THE APPLICATION

- **4.1** An application was been received on 21 April 2006 from the Spirit Group Limited to specify an individual as the DPS
- **4.2** The application was to vary the DPS with immediate effect. Details of the proposed DPS and the notice from the Police will be provided at the hearing

5 REPRESENTATIONS

5.1 In accordance with the Act the Police are the only responsible body who can object to the application. The Police have objected because they

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have reason to believe that the proposed DPS has made false declaration in obtaining her Personal Licence from Halton Borough Council and that this constitutes exceptional circumstances whereby the granting of the application would undermine the crime prevention objective.

5.2 By virtue of Section 39 (3) of the Act where a Section 37 (5) notice is given the licensing authority must hold a hearing (since the applicant and the police have not agreed that a hearing is unnecessary) and "having regard to the notice, reject the application if it considers it necessary for the promotion of the crime prevention objective to do so "

6 OPTIONS

- **6.1** The Committee has the option implied by paragraph 5. 2 ie
 - Accept the application for a change of DPS or
 - Reject the application.

7. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None.

8. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None.

9. 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