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To All Members of the Licensing Committee
(Councillors Brown, Mrs. Bradbury, Burridge,
Camden, Harwood, Mrs. Ingham, Sydney,
Mrs. Thorn, Turner and Mrs. Whittle)
c.c. All Other Members of the Council
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8th April 2010

Dear Sir/Madam,

**PLEASE NOTE THE
DATE AND TIME OF
THE MEETING**

**LICENSING COMMITTEE
MONDAY 19TH APRIL AT 9.30 A.M.**

The Agenda for this meeting of the Committee to be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Station Road East, Oxted is set out below. If a Member of the Committee is unable to attend the meeting, please notify the Committee Section accordingly.

Members are urged to contact Officers before a meeting to clarify any points within a specific report and, to this end, reports now contain the author's name and the relevant direct dial telephone number and email address.

If a Member of the Council, not being a Member of the Committee, proposes to attend the meeting, please let the Committee Section know by no later than noon on the day of the meeting.

Yours faithfully,

Stephen Weigel
Chief Executive

AGENDA

- 1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 30TH SEPTEMBER 2009 (copies previously circulated)**
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (if any)**

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Members should disclose personal or prejudicial interest(s) in any item(s) on the Agenda. Anyone with a personal interest must give details of the interest. Unless the personal interest amounts to a prejudicial interest, they may participate fully in the meeting.

A prejudicial interest is one which a member of the public, with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest. Anyone with a prejudicial interest must, unless an exception applies or a dispensation has been issued, withdraw from the meeting. (Whenever possible, and if in doubt, advice should be sought from the Monitoring Officer or his staff prior to the meeting.)

4. **MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (Page 3)**

**Lingfield Park Marriott Hotel and Country Club
Racecourse Road, Lingfield RH7 6PQ - 25th January 2010.**

5. **REQUEST TO CLASSIFY A FILM (A copy of the British Board of Film Classification is enclosed for Members of the Committee only)(DCS) (Page 5)**
6. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING AS A MATTER OF URGENCY**

AGENDA ITEM 4

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF TANDRIDGE

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

LINGFIELD PARK MARRIOTT HOTEL AND COUNTRY CLUB

RACECOURSE ROAD, LINGFIELD RH7 6PQ

Minutes of the Sub-Committee held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Station Road East, Oxted on the 25th January 2010 at 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs. Bradbury (Chairman), Burridge and Harwood

APPLICANT: Lingfield Park Limited
 Mr. J. Phillips – Counsel
 Mr. S. Gair – Solicitor
 Mr. P. Shrimpton – Lingfield Park Hotel & Country Club
 Mr. S. Quinney – Lingfield Park Hotel & Country Club
 Mr. S. Carrier – Lingfield Park Hotel & Country Club

OBJECTOR: Mr. Robert Muir, Principal Environmental Health Officer (Noise)
 -Tandridge District Council

OFFICERS: Mr. B. Crowhurst, Licensing Officer
 Mr. J. Hitchcock - Principal Solicitor
 Mrs. P. Bloxham, Clerk

1. PROCEDURES

The Procedures, as set out in the Agenda for the Hearing, would be followed.

SUB-COMMITTEE DECISION *(Under powers delegated to the Sub-Committee)*

2. APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE – LINGFIELD PARK MARRIOTT HOTEL & COUNTRY CLUB

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a Premises Licence for Lingfield Park Marriott Hotel & Country Club.

The Mr. Muir representing the Responsible Authority was objecting to the application on the grounds of Prevention of Public Nuisance.

The Sub-Committee heard from Mr. Crowhurst.

The Sub-Committee heard from Mr. Muir.

The Sub-Committee then heard from Mr. Phillips

The Sub-Committee questioned the Applicant.

The Sub-Committee then questioned the parties.

The Sub-Committee considered that the Application was confusing in that it referred both to the Racecourse and the Hotel in the Application which had been submitted only for a Premises Licence at the new Hotel.

At the request of the Applicant an adjournment was agreed to allow the Applicant to consult with their Counsel. The Sub-Committee withdrew at 10.35 a.m.

The Sub-Committee returned at 11.08 a.m.

RESOLVED – that the Sub-Committee’s accept the Applicant’s request to **WITHDRAW** their application and to re-submit a fresh Application at the earliest possible opportunity.

Rising: 11.10 a.m.

COMMITTEE DECISION
(Under powers delegated to the Committee)

5. REQUEST TO CLASSIFY A FILM (DCS)

1. Purpose of Report

To determine the classification of a film, "Sons of Cuba" in accordance with the British Board of Film Classification guidelines so that it can be shown in The Screen at Oxted.

2. Recommendation

The film, Sons of Cuba be awarded an appropriate viewing classification

3. Background

- 3.1 The Licensing Act 2003 provides that where a premises licence or club premises certificate authorises the exhibition of a film, it must include a condition requiring the admission of children to films to be restricted in accordance with the recommendations given either by the British Board of Film Classification (BBFC) or by the licensing authority itself.
- 3.2 The BBFC is an independent non-governmental body funded through the fees it charges to those who submit films and video works for classification. The BBFC fees can be prohibitive for films intended for a small viewing audience and there is provision for premises to ask their local licensing authority to classify a film instead. The Everyman Media Group wishes to show the film "Sons of Cuba", which does not have a BBFC classification, at The Screen at Oxted.
- 3.3 Sons of Cuba is a documentary lasting 88 minutes about a boys' boxing academy in Cuba, covering its progress towards an annual boxing competition.
- 3.4 The BBFC classifies films in accordance with its published guidelines which are based on extensive research into public opinion and professional advice. It currently classifies films in the following way: A copy of the BBFC guidelines is circulated separately.
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- U Universal – suitable for audiences aged 4 years and over
 - PG - Parental Guidance. Some scenes may be unsuitable for young children
 - 12A – Passed only for viewing by persons aged 12 years or older or persons younger than 12 when accompanied by an adult
 - 15 – Passed only for viewing by persons aged 15 years or older
 - 18 – Passed only for viewing by persons aged 18 years or older
- 3.5 Where a licensing authority has made a recommendation on the restriction of admission of children to a film, notices are required to be displayed both inside and outside the premises so that persons entering can readily be made aware of the classification attached to any film or trailer.

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Background Documents: Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003
