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LICENSING ACT 2003

**APPLICATION BY HING (ALUN) LAU TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE IN
RESPECT OF THE DRAGON INN, LONDON ROAD, ST IPPOLYTS,
HERTFORDSHIRE, SG4 7NL .**

**REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR OF
PLANNING, HOUSING AND ENTERPRISE**

**1. CURRENT LICENCE ISSUED BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY UNDER
THE LICENSING ACT 2003**

The existing Premises Licence was granted by North Hertfordshire District Council on 6th August 2005. A copy of the licence is enclosed as follows:

2. VARIATION APPLICATION

2.1 The application is for variation of a Premises Licence under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003.

2.2 The licensable activities and hours applied for are as follows:

- 2.3 During the consultation period, the applicants made amendments to the application following negotiations with NHDC's Environmental Protection Officer. These amendments now form part of the application and it is the amended application that the Sub-Committee is considering today.

3. THE APPLICATION

- 3.1 On the 17th November 2010, Hing Lau made an application for the variation of the existing Premises Licence.
- 3.2 The Applicants served copies of this application to Hertfordshire Constabulary and the other Responsible Authorities.
- 3.3 A Public Notice was displayed on the premises and was exhibited for a period of 28 days. A newspaper advertisement was placed in The Advertiser.

4. REPRESENTATIONS

- 4.1 No representation was received from Hertfordshire Constabulary.
- 4.2 A representation was received from North Hertfordshire District Council's Environmental Protection Officer but withdrawn following the applicant's agreement to the following conditions:

- 4.3 No representations were received from any other Responsible Authority.
- 4.4 One relevant representation was received from an Interested Party and is enclosed below:

- 4.5 Where representations include sections that are not relevant to the Licensing Act 2003, these sections have been clearly marked as 'not relevant' and should not be considered as part of the determination process. The Interested Parties have been notified in writing of the paragraphs deemed not relevant by way of this Report.
- 4.6 The Applicant has been served with a copy of the representations.
- 4.7 The Applicant, Environmental Protection Officer and Interested Party have been invited to attend the hearing to present their respective cases. They have been advised that they may be legally represented and of the Committee Hearing procedure.

5. OBSERVATIONS

- 5.1 In determining this application, the Committee must have regard to the representations and take such steps, as it considers necessary for the promotion of the Licensing Objectives.
- 5.2 In making its decision, the Licensing and Appeals Committee must act with a view to promoting the Licensing Objectives. It must also have regard to the Licensing Authority's Statement of Licensing Policy and National Guidance.
- 5.3 The Licensing and Appeals Committee has the following options when issuing the Decision Notice:
- i) To modify, add to, or omit conditions of the licence;
 - ii) To refuse the application in part;
 - iii) To refuse the whole application.

6. CONTACT OFFICERS

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