

REPORT TO ALCOHOL, ENTERTAINMENT AND LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

REPORT OF: Community Safety and Licensing Manager

REPORT NO: ENV 525

DATE: 24TH May 2011

TITLE:	Application for a Premises Licence – Dowsby Village Hall	
KEY DECISION OR POLICY FRAMEWORK PROPOSAL:	N/A	
PORTFOLIO HOLDER: NAME AND DESIGNATION:	<i>Not known yet pending the elections</i>	
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INITIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT:	Carried out and Referred to in paragraph (7) below	Full impact assessment Required:
Equality and Diversity	N/A	
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:	This report is publicly available via the Your Council and Democracy link on the Council's website: www.southkesteven.gov.uk	
BACKGROUND PAPERS	Statement of Licensing Policy dated 6 January 2011, guidance issued under s182 of the licensing act 2003	

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 It is recommended that the committee consider this application for a premises licence known as Dowsby Village Hall and having regard to the representations of the parties take such steps as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives:

Grant the Licence subject to

- a. conditions that are consistent with the operating schedule modified to the extent that the committee consider necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives and any mandatory conditions that must be included under the Licensing Act 2003 (the act)
- b) exclude from the scope of the licence a licensable activity to which the application relates
- c) refuse to specify a person in the licence as premises supervisor
- d) reject the application

2. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide the committee with information to enable it to consider this application for the grant of a premise licence under Section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.

2.2 Where an application for the grant of a premises licence is received, the Licensing Authority must hold a hearing to determine the application. The options available to the Committee are as detailed in the recommendation section above:

3. DETAILS OF REPORT

This application is for the grant of a premises licence for Dowsby Village Hall to allow the following activities

Activity	Times	Days
Plays	18.00 – 23.00	Every Day
Films	18.00 – 23.00	Every Day
Indoor sporting events	10.00 – 23.00	Every Day
Live Music	12.00 – 23.00	Every Day
Recorded Music	12.00 – 23.00 12.00 – 01.00	Sunday to Thursday Friday & Saturday
Provision of facilities for dancing	10.00 – 22.00	Every Day
Provision of facilities for making music	10.00 – 21.00	Every Day
Late Night Refreshment	23.00 – 01.00	Fridays and Saturdays
Supply of Alcohol	10.00 – 23.00 10.00 – 24.00	Sunday to Thursday Friday and Saturday
Opening Hours	09.00 – 24.00 09.00 – 01.00	Sunday to Thursday Friday and Saturday

The application is for these activities to take place indoors with the exception of plays, live music and late night refreshment which they request to be held inside and outside the premises. The extent of the licensable area can be seen on the plan attached at Appendix 2

There have been eleven objections from interested parties and one from a responsible authority.

The interested parties allege that there are already problems since a bikers club have been booking the hall up to three times a week, they say that this has resulted in increased noise in the early hours of the morning, vomit and broken glass in the grounds of the hall and children's playground, increased traffic parking problems and unacceptable language within earshot of children.

The responsible authority say that because the hall is close to residential properties they have concerns regarding the provision of live music outdoors until 23.00, this may lead to public nuisance.

4. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6. RISK AND MITIGATION

7. ISSUES ARISING FROM EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

8. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

9. COMMENTS OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

I have no specific financial comments to make in respect of this report

10. COMMENTS OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

On receipt of an application for the grant of a Premises licence, the Council are obliged to hold a hearing to consider the application within 28 days of receipt of the application. The Council are not obliged to determine the application within that time if it is considered in the public interest not to do so.

In making any decision relating to the application, the Committee be reasonable and proportionate and must be necessary for the promotion of a licensing objective. The licensing objectives are:

- Prevention of Crime & Disorder
- Public Safety
- Public Nuisance
- Protection of Children from harm

11. COMMENTS OF OTHER RELEVANT SERVICES

12. APPENDICES:

- 1) Application
- 2) Objections