

Minutes of a meeting of the **COMMITTEE OF THE LICENSING AUTHORITY** held in Meeting Room 1, Council Offices, Priory Road, Spalding on Wednesday 9 November 2011.

PRESENT

Councillors:

M G Chandler (Chairman)
A Harrison (Vice-Chairman)

A Casson
H R Johnson
E Sneath

G K Dark
C J Lawton
D J Wilkinson

M Howard
R Rudkin

Jo Furner, Legal Services Lincolnshire, the Team Leader for Food Safety and Licensing and the Licensing Officer.

In attendance: Team Leader – Member Services

237. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meetings held on 18 May 2011 were signed as a correct copy.

238. **CONSULTATION ON THE LICENSING ACT 2003.**

Copies of a consultation proposal to examine the deregulation of Schedule One of the Licensing Act had been circulated to Committee members prior to the meeting. The consultation sought views on a proposal to remove licensing requirements in England and Wales for most activities currently defined as “regulated entertainment” in Schedule One to the Licensing Act 2003. The closing date for receipt of responses was 3 December 2011.

The Committee discussed the consultation paper and all agreed that a response was required. The Committee agreed that it was an unrealistic vision for South Holland and it would be impossible to regulate non-regulatory events. The consultation document asked for responses to 30 questions and the Chairman invited the Committee to email through their responses to these questions to the Team Leader for Food Safety and Licensing – these responses would then be collated and form the final Committee response. Comments would also be added from Team Leader, Safety & Environment.

DECISION: That a response be submitted to the consultation from the Committee of the Licensing Authority;

(Meeting ended at 8.20pm)
(End of Minutes.)