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OF A MEETING OF THE

General Licensing Committee

HELD AT 11.15AM ON THURSDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2010

AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, CROWMARSH GIFFORD

Present:

Mrs E Gillespie (Chairman) Mr C Daukes (as substitute for Ms L Hillier), Mr M Leonard, Mr J Nowell-Smith

Also attending from Vale of White Horse District Council:

Mr R Farrell (Chair) Mr T Fraser, Mr D Hoddinott (as substitute for Mr B Johnston) Ms J Mayhew-Archer, Ms Zoe Patrick, Ms A Rooke, Mr R Sharp, Mr R Waite (as substitute for Mr P Saunders), Ms E Ware and Mr R Webber

Apologies:

Mrs P Dawe and Ms L Hillier submitted apologies.

Apologies from Vale of White Horse:

Mr G Jennings, Mr B Johnston, Ms J Morgan, Mr J Morgan, Mr P Saunders and Ms V Shaw submitted apologies.

Officers:

Mr N Haverson, Mrs M Reed, Mrs J Thompson

6. Sexual entertainment venue licensing – joint statement of policy

In a joint session with the Vale of White Horse District Council's General Licensing Committee, the committee considered the draft report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to Council, which presented information concerning the licensing of sexual entertainment venues under the provisions of Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.

The draft policy statement was developed for adoption by both South Oxfordshire District Council and Vale of White Horse District Council. The policy, as amended by the committee, would be submitted to each council for approval accompanied by the officer's report.



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The committee discussed the policy and report and agreed a number of amendments to clarify wording and to ensure that, as applications for this type of licence were likely to generate public scrutiny, all applications were considered by a committee/sub-committee.

RESOLVED:

- 1. to recommend that the policy and covering report be submitted to Council with the following amendments:
 - clarify the wording in paragraph 8.4: ...Councillors may represent interested parties, providing they do not also sit on the general licensing committee/ sub-committee <u>dealing with that application</u>
 - in paragraph 8.5 to delete the words.... and not on the basis of any political judgement....
 - delete paragraph 9.2 entirely, and remove recommendation 7(c) from the covering report.
- 2. to recommend that the level of fees for the grant, renewal, variation and transfer of these licences be set sufficiently high to cover all actual and potential costs associated with issuing, monitoring compliance with, and enforcing a licence, including any charges which may be levied by other authorities for providing information in connection with an application or on-going licence.

The meeting closed at 12.30 pm.

Chairman _____

Date _____