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LICENSING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2006

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Present:

Councillors Mrs Blatchford, Cunio (Vice-Chair), Ken Darke, Gerry Drake, Galton, Harris, Jackson, Parnell, Samuels, Smith (Chair) and White

Apologies

Councillors Mrs Bridle, Johnson, Rayment

6. MINUTES INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Licensing Committee held on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2005, be approved and signed as a correct record.

7. STREET COLLECTIONS

The Committee considered the report of the Solicitor to the Council concerning the determination of future policy in respect of street collections together with a request from the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal for additional opportunities to conduct street collections. (Copy of report circulated with Agenda).

RESOLVED that the City's current street collection policy be amended to include the following:-

- (i) each organisation be restricted to one city centre collection per year (including, but not exclusively, Above Bar, Above Bar Pedestrian Precinct, High Street, the Bargate and adjoining streets and open places);
- (ii) in exceptional circumstances, such as an emergency appeal, consideration be given to the grant of additional permits;
- (iii) exceptionally, the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal be permitted to collect in any part of the city, on the Monday to the Saturday immediately prior to Remembrance Sunday;
- (iv) the City Council reserves the right to conduct a criminal records check on the applicant for a permit to determine their suitability to conduct a street collection; and

- (v) no further permits be granted to an organisation until a satisfactory return for every previous street collection by that organisation had been received by the City Council.

8. MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING (GENERAL) SUB-COMMITTEE

The Committee considered the report of the Solicitor to the Council outlining the case for the reduction of membership of the Licensing (General) Sub-Committee from six to three members and recommending that it be administered on the same basis as the 2003 Act Sub-Committee. (Copy of report circulated with Agenda).

RESOLVED that the administration of the Licensing (General) Sub-Committee and membership of six with a quorum of two, remain unchanged at this time.