Minutes of the Licensing Committee

2 October 2008

-: Present :-

Councillor Phillips (Chairman)

Councillors Addis, Amil, Doggett, Excell, Manning, Mills, Parrott, and Scouler

(Also in attendance Councillor Horne)

352. Street Trading Torbay. The Committee considered Report 291/2008 and noted that under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, a local Council could impose limitations on street trading within its area. These limitations had been in place since 1983 when the Council adopted Schedule 4 Street Trading Provisions this permitted the designation of Prohibition Streets and Consent areas.

In October 2007 the Licensing Committee established the Street Trading Working Party (Minute 292 refers); the remit of the Street Trading Working Party was to consult with local stakeholders and consider what types of street trading should be encouraged in Torbay. The Street Trading Working Party had subsequently met on seven separate occasions during which consultation was undertaken with the main trading areas, including the Chamber of Commerce.

The Principal Safety and Licensing Officer explained that street re-designation was subject to a lengthy advertising and consultation process, at this stage Members were only being asked to approve the publication of the public notice. The Committee were advised that a further report would be presented to the Committee in due course to consider the street re-designations themselves.

Resolved: (i) that the Street Trading Policy as set out in Annex 4 to Report 291/2008 be approved;

- (ii) that a public notice be placed in the paper advertising the proposed changes to the designation of street trading for those streets identified in Annex 1 to Report 291/2008, from Part A of the Street Trading Schedule (Prohibited Streets) to a Part B (Consent Street Council permission required to occupy the land); and
- (iii) that all 'private land to which the public have access without payment' be included in the public notice.

(**Note.** Prior to consideration of Minute 352, Cllr Doggett and Cllr Amil declared a personal interest as they were members of the Street Traders Working Party and were present at the previous Licensing Committee on 10 July 2008.)

Chairman