

**ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 20th December, 2007 at 7pm**

Members Present: Cllr Mrs K Redknapp (Vice Chairman in the Chair)

Cllr J Crow	Cllr I Maddock
Cllr G Willetts	Cllr Mrs S Smith
Cllr N.R. Hindmarch	Cllr R Warman

In attendance: Mrs Ann Jacobs, Clerk and 21 Members of the Public District Councillors observing only: Cllr. M. Dyer and Cllr Mrs A Warman

Public Forum: The Chairman asked for a representative to speak on behalf of the residents present. Members heard from the spokesperson of the concerns of the residents in relation to the license application submitted by Matchams South Coast Limited. The residents present asked for the Council to represent their views to the Licensing Authority.

417. Declarations of Interest – Cllr Dyer and Cllr Mrs Warman informed the Council they would observe only and did so from the public gallery due to potential interest at subsequent District Meetings.

418. Apologies for absence were received and accepted from: Cllr Mrs Bell, Cllr Mrs J House and Cllr R Dudman (declared prejudicial interest).

419. Matchams Licensing Application –

- i) A number of requests by email, from residents to make representations on their behalf in respect of the licensing application submitted by Matchams South Coast Ltd were noted. Those present at the meeting were asked to complete and sign a form if they wished the Parish Council to represent their views at the Licensing hearing.
- ii) The Clerk had sought advice from licensing on the method of making representations to the application. As a result of which a draft response had been compiled by the Clerk and was circulated at the meeting together with a copy of the application. This was discussed and additions and amendments suggested. It was agreed that the Council would submit the draft response subject to the following additions:-

(Proposed by Cllr Mrs Smith Seconded by Cllr Crow):

- Public Safety issue - fire risk with special consideration to the surrounding SSSI (Amendment proposed by Cllr Willetts seconded by Cllr Crow)
- Public Nuisance – Topography of the site results in noise travelling considerable distances and at volume, which will be weather dependant and variable. Noise issues on testing and practicing days in addition to the actual event days. (Amendment proposed by Cllr Hindmarch, seconded by Cllr Crow)
- Access – additional traffic would obstruct and potentially impede emergency vehicles. (Amendment proposed by Cllr Warman, seconded by Cllr Willetts)

It was also agreed that the last column of the draft “Possible restrictions or Conditions” should be deleted.

RESOLVED: The Clerk was instructed to submit representations, on behalf of the residents present, to object to the licensing application submitted by Matchams South Coast Ltd as per Appendix A with these Minutes in the Minute Book.

- iii) Attendance at the hearing - The Clerk informed Members that she had been advised, by EDDC Licensing, that the person making the representation should attend any subsequent hearing. It was noted without objection, that the Clerk will attend if required.

The Clerk will copy the final document to the residents association at Matchams Close for their information. A copy of the final approved document appears with these Minutes in the Minute Book as Appendix A.

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.

Chairman