At a meeting of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on MONDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 2012 at 2.15 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor A. Wilson in the Chair

Councillors Bell, Emerson, Errington, P. Gibson, D. Richardson, D. Smith, Thompson, Waller and Wiper.

Declarations of Interest

Councillors Emerson and Bell declared interests in item 4 on the agenda as season ticket holders at the Stadium of Light.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Farthing and Mordey.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 29th October, 2012

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 29th October, 2012, Part I (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record subject to the inclusion of Councillor D. Smith in the list of attendees.

Sunderland Stadium of Light – Restriction on General Safety Certificate

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) on a recommendation that a limit be imposed upon the number of tickets made available by Sunderland Association Football Club to the visiting fans of Manchester City and West Ham United on Wednesday 26th December, 2012 and Saturday 12th January, 2013 respectively.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Councillor Emerson referred to his previously voiced concerns about the ability of away fans to throw objects, from their new location in the North Stand Upper, on to the home fans seated below. He reported that this had occurred at the recent Capital

One Cup game versus Middlesbrough when hot pies, coins and a firework had all been thrown on to the home fans seated in the lower tier of the North Stand.

Mr. Scott, Development Manager, replied that the person throwing the firework had been apprehended. He informed members that the Club were aware of the issue and were actively seeking to address it through the Safety Advisory Group.

Councillor Bell having suggested that perhaps the only way to prevent such incidents would be to install netting, it was:-

RESOLVED that:-

- (i) approval be given to the setting of a limit of 2,200 visiting fans for the fixture with Manchester City on Wednesday 26th December, 2012 and 2,800 visiting fans for the fixture with West Ham United on Saturday 12th January, 2013 on the grounds of authorising the Club to take all necessary precautions for the reasonable safety of spectators at the game as per Condition 4; and
- (ii) the Deputy Chief Executive be authorised to follow such procedure and issue such notice needed to obtain compliance with the proposed restriction.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 – Application for Consent to Trade in a Designated Area, High Street West, 40 Metres East of Cumberland Street and 9 Metres North of the Shop Frontages on High Street West, Sunderland – Mr. Keith Turner Jnr

The Head of Street Scene submitted a report in respect of the above matter.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Tom Terrett, Trading Standards and Licensing Manager presented the report and advised that no objections had been received to the application.

A consent permit had been issued under delegated powers for the period 14th November to 13th December, 2012 however as the application was for a period longer than one month, the consideration of the Committee was required for the period from 14th to 30th December, 2012.

3. RESOLVED that approval be given to the application received from Mr. Keith Turner (Jnr) for the grant of street trading consent in respect of a site, 40 metres east of Cumberland Street and 9 metres north of the shop frontages on High Street West for the period 14th to 30th December 2012 for the sale of candy floss, toffee apples, popcorn, sweets, doughnuts, cold/hot drinks and hot chestnuts.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 – Application for Consent to Trade in a Designated Area, Hay Street, 14.5 Metres North of the Junction with Sheepfolds North, Sheepfolds Industrial Estate, Sunderland – Mr. R. Wilkinson.

The Head of Street Scene submitted a report in respect of the above matter.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Tom Terrett, Trading Standards and Licensing Manager presented the report and advised that no objections had been received to the application. Mr Terrett advised that should the Committee by minded to grant the application, they were invited to agree an expiry date of 31st May, 2013. This was to facilitate work being done separately by the Licensing Section which would involve dealing with consents in the vicinity of the Stadium of Light on a basis related to the timing of the Football season.

4. RESOLVED that approval be given to the application received from Mr. R. Wilkinson for the grant of street trading consent in respect of a site in Hay Street, 14.5 metres north of the junction with Sheepfolds North, Sunderland, for the period ending 31st May, 2013 for the sale of hot food, and hot and cold drinks from a trailer measuring 4.5 metres long and 2.3 metres wide.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 – Application for Consent to Trade in a Designated Area, Market Street, Sunderland – Mr. M. Harrison

The Head of Street Scene submitted a report in respect of the above matter.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Tom Terrett, Trading Standards and Licensing Manager presented the report detailing an application to trade from the following units in Market Square:-

2 units selling personalised gifts and Christmas decorations,

- 1 unit selling European style sweets,
- 1 unit selling roast meat baguettes
- 1 unit selling Christmas crepes
- 1 unit selling a selection of chocolates
- 1 unit operating as a German style swing grill selling bratwurst

He advised that no objections had been received to the application. A consent permit had been issued under delegated powers for the period 17th November to 16th December, 2012 however as the application was for a period longer than one month, the consideration of the Committee was required for the period from 17th December to 1st January, 2013.

5. RESOLVED that approval be given to the application received from Mr. M. Harrison for the grant of street trading consent in respect of a site in Market Square, for the period 17th December 2012 to 1st January 2013 for the sale of goods as detailed above.

Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006

6. RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during consideration of the remaining business as it was considered likely to include the disclosure of exempt information relating to an individual and the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Authority holding that information). (Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraphs 1 and 3).

(Signed) A. WILSON, Chairman.

Note:-

The above minutes comprise only those relating to items during which the meeting was open to members of the public.

Additional minutes in respect of further items are included in Part II.