APPLICATION FOR WAIVER OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE FEES OPEN AIR CONCERT & CUSTOM/CLASSIC SHOW, MALYONS FARM, LOWER ROAD, HULLBRIDGE

1 SUMMARY

1.1. This report invites Members to determine an application for the waiver of Public Entertainment Licence fees relating to an open air concert and custom/classic show due to take place on Sunday 4th August 2002 within the grounds of Malyons Farm, Lower Road, Hullbridge.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Public events held outdoors and on private land, which include musical entertainment require a Public Entertainment Licence, issued by the Local Authority under the provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, Schedule 1.
- 2.2 The Act also gives the Local Authority discretion to waive all or part of the fee that would be payable for the grant of a Public Entertainment Licence where it is satisfied that the entertainment is:
 - a) of an educational or other like character, or
 - b) is given for a charitable or other like purpose;
- 2.3 Members previously decided "that in view of the small number involved, all applications for fee waivers be considered on their merits, on the basis that a decision making time frame of at least three months is available to the Council" (Minute 111/97).
- 2.4 This event was first held and licensed in 1996, and another event took place in 1997. No fee was charged for the grant of either of those licences. In 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 Members granted 80% fee waivers. Last year the fee charged was £111.20.

3 FEE WAIVER APPLICATION

- 3.1 The objectives and benefits of the event are "to raise monies towards bring children and adults together and helping disabled children."
- 3.2 Local people benefit from the proceeds of the event by "supporting children in the community through The James Beckwith Trust.".

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- The basis of support from the event to benefiting organisations is "100%".
- 3.4 The applicant states that the organisation is not currently funded by the Council.
- 3.5 A copy of the fee waiver application form received on 1st March 2002, together with accounts and supporting letters and documents have been despatched separately to Members of this Committee as an exempt appendix.
- 3.6 Details of the amount raised and the donations made last year, together with proposals for the use of monies raised at this year's event are set out in the final page of the exempt appendix.

4 PARISH IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The event is being organised to provide entertainment for the local community in Hullbridge and to raise funds for handicapped children.
- 5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
- 5.1 Loss of £561 income if a 100% fee waiver is granted
- 6 RECOMMENDATION
- 6.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**:

The fee due if a Public Entertainment Licence is granted. (HHHCC)

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Background Papers:

None

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