APPLICATION FOR WAIVER OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE FEES VILLAGE FAIR, GREAT WAKERING.

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report invites Members to determine an application for the waiver of Public Entertainment Licence fees relating to a village fair being organised by Great Wakering Parish Council. The event is due to take place on Monday 25 August 2003 at Great Wakering Recreation Ground.
- 1.2 Public events held outdoors and on private land which include musical entertainment require a Public Entertainment Licence from the Local Authority.
- 1.3 The legislation 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 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The Head of Housing Health and Community Care has delegated authority to determine the waiver of fees for Public Entertainment Licences. In this case the amount is in excess of £1000 and the application has therefore been referred to Members for decision.
- 2.2 This event was held and licensed in 2000, 2001 and another event took place last year. No fee was charged for the grant of any of these licences.

3 FEE WAIVER APPLICATION

3.1 An application for a fee waiver has been received from the Parish Clerk, Mr H E Morris. Mr Morris advises in a covering letter that a small profit of about £900 which was made at last year's Village Fair is to be included in the monies available for this years funding to provide a day's entertainment for people of all ages.

3.2 Copies of the fee waiver application form and covering letter dated 18 February 2003, along with a statement of the Parish Council accounts for the financial year ending 31 March 2003, are attached in the appendix.

4 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Loss of £2390.00 income if the fee waiver is granted in full.

5 PARISH IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The event is being organised to provide entertainment for people of the area.

6 RECOMMENDATION

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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