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## **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 to be held at Great Wakering Recreation Ground on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2001.
- 1.2 Public events held outdoors and on private land, which includes musical entertainment require a Public Entertainment Licence, issued by the Local Authority [Local Authority (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, Schedule 1].
- 1.3 The above 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 INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 Members will recall their decision "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)
- 2.2 This event was held and licensed in 2000 in order to reinstate the Village Fair as a Millennium celebration and to provide local people of all ages with a day's entertainment. No fee was charged for the grant of that licence.

### **3 PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE APPLICATION**

- 3.1 An application for a Public Entertainment Licence has been received from Mr P Stebbing and Mr T Goodwin, both of Great Wakering Parish Council, Parish Council Offices, Little Wakering Hall Lane, Great Wakering. The event is to be held at Great Wakering Recreation Ground, High Street, Great Wakering, between 11.00am and 6.00 pm on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2001 for 3,500 people.
- 3.2 Essex Police, Essex Highways Department, Essex Fire and Rescue Service and Essex Ambulance Service have been consulted and their comments are awaited.

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**4 FEE WAIVER APPLICATION**

- 4.1 An application for a fee waiver has been received from the Parish Clerk, Mr H E Morris, Parish Council Offices, Little Wakering Hall Lane, Great Wakering. In a covering letter submitted with the application, Mr Morris advises that a small profit of £500 which was made in the Millennium Village Fair is to be included in to the monies available for this years funding to provide a day's entertainment for people of all ages.
- 4.2 Copies of the fee waiver application dated 5 December 2000, a statement of the Parish Council accounts for the financial year ending 31 March 1999 and the covering letter from the Parish Clerk are appended.

**5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Loss of £2,440.00 income if the fee waiver is granted in full.

**6 PARISH IMPLICATIONS**

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

**7 RECOMMENDATION**

- 7.1 It is proposed that the Sub-Committee **RESOLVES**

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

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