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 26 August 2002 at Great Wakering Recreation Ground.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Public events held outdoors and on private land, which includes musical entertainment require a Public Entertainment Licence, issued by the Local Authority [Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, Schedule 1].
- 2.2 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.
- 2.3 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)
- 2.4 This event was held and licensed in 2000 and another event took place last year. No fee was charged for the grant of either licence.

3 FEE WAIVER APPLICATION

3.1 An application for a fee waiver dated 13/2/02 has been received from the Parish Clerk, Mr H E Morris, Parish Council Offices, Little Wakering Hall Lane, Great Wakering. Mr Morris advises in a covering letter that a small profit of about £500 which was made at last year's Village Fair is to be included in to the monies available for this year's 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 13 February 2002 along with a statement of the Parish Council accounts for the financial year ending 31 March 2001 are attached in the <u>appendix</u>.

4 **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 Loss of £2110.00 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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