NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO MOTION BY CLLR GUEST

COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 14 JANUARY 2003

Part 1 - delete the word 'welcomes' and replace by 'notes'.

Part 5 – in the second line, delete the word 'not' and replace by the words 'should be; also delete the word 'specific' and replace with 'licensing'.

In the final paragraph delete the last word 'above' and continue the sentence with 'and that this Council....................'.

AMENDED MOTION

This Council -

- Notes the proposed flexible opening hours for public house, and the shift away from emphasis on drinking alcohol in a limited length of time, to one in which there is more continental café-style atmosphere;
- Notes with concern the potential impact on residential areas, and seeks further assurances regarding this;
- Also notes with concern, as the Bill currently stands, licence fees will be set centrally with no apparent regard for regional, local and seasonal variations;
- Is concerned that Council taxes may have to increase to cover the cost of administration, as well as the additional police, fire authority and waste disposal resources that may be required;
- Believes that all funds from licensing fees should be retained by local authorities, and should be ring fenced for licensing purposes.

Will respond to any Government consultation on the draft Bill as outlined, and that this Council requests that the Rt.Hon.David Maclean MP and Eric Martlew MP express the concerns of this Council in relation to the possible financial implications.

Amendment proposed by Cllr D.Morton Seconded by Cllr G.Prest