AGENDA ITEM 2

WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

TO: LICENSING COMMITTEE - 26 FEBRUARY 2001

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENTS LICENCE -

WARWICK CASTLE

FROM: MEMBERS' AND CUSTOMER SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1. To consider an application for a public entertainments licence to allow performances at Warwick Castle on the evenings of 20, 21 and 22 July 2001, from 7.30 pm to 10.30 pm.

2. **DETAILS OF ENTERTAINMENT TO BE PROVIDED**

- 2.1 It is intended, if a licence is granted, to have concerts by Tom Jones on one night, Van Morrison on another night and a performance on the third night featuring extracts from the 'Shows'.
- 2.2 The arrangements for the concerts will be similar to those for the Simply Red concerts in 1999 although it is expected that the sale of tickets will not reach the 15,000 per night, which was the case for Simply Red.

3. **CONSULTATION**

- 3.1 The Police, Fire Officer, Town Council, Ward Councillors and the Head of Environmental Health have been consulted. No specific objections have been received subject to similar conditions being imposed as for the Simply Red concerts. The views of the Warwick Town Council will be reported at the meeting.
- 3.2 If the application is approved the various agencies will meet with the organisers to ensure that their requirements are met. The Police were concerned about the traffic arrangements for Simply Red and will be discussing possible changes to the arrangements.
- 3.3 Richard Hall of Environmental Health reports that, following the Simply Red concert, a petition was received from residents of Stuart Close and Castle Close, Warwick registering their grievance at the noise from the event (copy attached). Overall, he feels that the Simply Red concert was well managed and it was appreciated in many quarters. However, noise levels were measured in the locality and the sound was noticeable over a considerable

distance from the Castle. Mr Hall feels that the views of a significant number of residents who were close to the Castle should be taken into account and that the overall impact of the proposed event should be considered by the Licensing Committee.

- 3.4 Mr Hall will be at the meeting to answer questions from Members.
- 3.5 Representatives of the applicant will be attending the meeting to address Members in support of the application and answer questions from Members.

4. **DECISIONS REQUIRED**

- 4.1 Members are asked to consider all the information presented to it and decide whether the application for a public entertainments licence should be approved.
- 4.2 If the application is approved, Members are asked to confirm that the licence will be issued subject to conditions that the requirements of the Police, Fire Officer, the Ambulance Service and the Council's Officers are met.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL

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Areas in the District Affected - Warwick

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