LICENSING ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

PART 4: Clubs

Section 71 – Application for club premises certificate

- 130. Subsections (1) to (4) provide that applications for a club premises certificate for premises which are occupied by and used for the purposes of a club may be made by a qualifying club to the relevant licensing authority (see section 68). Applications are to be made in the form prescribed in regulations made by the Secretary of State and accompanied by a fee similarly prescribed.
- 131. Subsection (5) provides that the operating schedule will set out various details relating to the operation of particular club premises. Those details include the qualifying club activities to be carried out, the proposed hours of those activities and other times when it is proposed that the premises will be open to members and their guests, whether, where the qualifying club activities include the supply of alcohol, the supplies will be for consumption on or off the premises or both and a statement of how it is intended to promote the licensing objectives. The significance of the operating schedule is that if the application for the club premises certificate is granted, the details will be incorporated into the certificate, which will set out the permitted activities and the limitations on them.
- 132. Subsection (6) provides that the Secretary of State must make regulations setting out how applications must be notified and advertised, and specifying when interested parties and responsible authorities can make representations to the authority.