

MINUTES

of the

LICENSING COMMITTEE

held on 9 July 2020 at 7pm

Present:

Councillor L. Mascot (Chair)
Councillor D.G. Jones (Vice-Chair)

Councillors R.H. Ambor, L. Ashley, D.J.R. Clark, A.E. Davidson, J.A. Frascona, P.V. Hughes, A.M. John, R.J. Lee, L.A. Millane, S. Rajesh and I.C. Roberts

1. Apologies for Absence

No apologies for absence were received.

2. Declaration of Interests

All Members were reminded to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary interests or other registerable interests where appropriate in any items of business on the meeting's agenda. None were made.

3. Public Question Time

No questions were asked or statements made.

4. 5 Yearly review of Statement of Licensing Policy

The Committee received a report asking them to consider proposed amendments to the Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003. It was noted by the Committee that if they agreed the draft policy, it would then go through a public consultation process. The Committee heard that if no comments were received it would be forwarded to Cabinet and then Full Council. If comments were received these would either be considered by a future meeting of the Licensing Committee or discussed with the Chair and relevant Cabinet member. It was also noted that after the December Full Council meeting, the policy would then take effect in January 2021 in line with the legal obligations.

The Committee heard that under Section 5 of the Licensing act, each Licensing Authority was required to publish a statement every five years. The Committee were informed that the policy had been completely reviewed along with the relevant regulations and included a new section containing model conditions to assist with licence applications.

In answering a question from a member, it was noted that the draft policy did not recommend a cumulative impact policy. The Committee heard however that at any point within the five-year period this could be considered if it was felt necessary. The Committee

approved the amendments to the draft policy and agreed that the consultation process should take place.

RESOLVED that;

1. the amendments to the statement of licensing policy, as detailed in the report be approved and;
2. that following public consultation, the policy be either forwarded directly to the Cabinet and Full Council, or if significant comments are received to be discussed at a future meeting of the Licensing Committee or for other comments to be considered by the Chair and Cabinet Member prior to Cabinet.

5. Urgent Business

There were no matters of urgent business

The meeting closed at 8.52pm.

Chair