



Minutes

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Date:	Friday, 27 November 2015
Venue:	Town Hall, St Annes.
Committee Members:	Councillor Angela Jacques (Chairman) Councillor Barbara Nash (Vice-Chairman) Councillors Christine Akeroyd, Frank Andrews, Jan Barker, Keith Beckett ISO, Brenda Blackshaw, Alan Clayton, David Donaldson, Gail Goodman JP, Neil Harvey, Raymond Thomas.
Other Councillors Present:	None
Officers Present:	Clare Lord, Chris Hambly, Sharon Wadsworth
Other Attendees:	Clare Blyth

1. Declarations of interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members.

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Confirmation of minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on 1 April 2014 as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

3. Substitute members

There were no substitute members in attendance at the meeting.

Decision Items

4. Review of Statement of Licensing Policy

Chris Hambly, Environmental Services Manager, presented to members the revised Statement of Licensing Policy that had been drafted, taking into account changes in the legislation and consultee responses.

Section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 requires the Licensing Authority to determine and publish a Statement of Licensing Policy for a 5 year period to enable the proper discharge of the Council's responsibilities for the regulation of alcohol sales, public entertainment and late night refreshment in the Borough. The current Statement of Licensing Policy must be re-considered by the 7th January 2016.

Mr Hambly provided an overview of the main changes in the policy, in particular the impact of the deregulation of certain activities, and responded to members' questions.

After full consideration it was RESOLVED to recommend the revised Statement of Licensing Policy for approval to Full Council.

5. Review of Statement of Gambling Policy

Chris Hambly presented the revised Statement of Gambling Policy explaining that the Licensing Authority was required to produce a policy every three years setting out how it intended to implement The Gambling Act 2005 (The Act). The current policy in place was approved on 3 December 2012.

Mr Hambly confirmed that the current policy has served the Council well and little had changed in the revised policy.

After full consideration it was RESOLVED to recommend the revised Statement of Gambling Policy for approval to Full Council.

Information Items

The committee received the following information items:

6. The Corporate Plan 2016-2020

A draft of the Corporate Plan 2016-2020 was circulated to members for information and comment. A decision on the Corporate Plan, taking into consideration all comments received, would be taken by full Council.

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