

## Licensing Committee



Date	30 September 2009
Venue	Town Hall, St Annes
Committee members	Angela Jacques (Chairman) Dawn Prestwich (Vice-Chairman)  Christine Akeroyd, Keith Beckett, Elizabeth Clarkson, Barbara Douglas, John Davies, Tony Ford, Ken Hopwood.
Other Councillors	None
Officers	Chris Hambly, Clare Holmes, Hazel Wood

### 1. Declarations of interest

Members were reminded that any personal/prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct adopted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000.

### 2. Confirmation of minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the licensing committee meeting held on 24 January 2009 as a correct record for signature by the chairman.

### 3. Substitute members

There were no substitute members.

### 4. Licensing Act 2003 - Disapplication of a Mandatory condition for Community Premises

Chris Hambly, (Licensing Officer) introduced the report to inform members of the changes to the Licensing Act 2003 brought about by the Legislative Reform (Supervision of Alcohol Sales in Church Halls) Order 2009.

Mr Hambly explained that it was also sought to amend the Statement of Licensing Policy to reflect the procedure introduced by the order.

Following consideration it was RESOLVED:

1. To recommend to Council the amendment to the Statement of Licensing Policy to reflect the use of an alternative licence condition in replacement of the mandatory conditions specified in 19(2) and 19(3) of the Licensing Act 2003 introduced by the Legislative Reform Order (Supervision of Alcohol Sales in Church and Village Halls) Order 2009, subject to a statutory consultation exercise. Any technical and drafting amendments following the consultation period shall be delegated to the Chair and Vice Chairman of Licensing Committee together with the Director of Community Services.

2. That the replacement of the mandatory condition with the alternative condition be delegated to the Director of Community Services except where there are Police objections.

5. Minor Variations - Licensing Act 2003

Chris Hambly, (Licensing Officer) presented the report and informed members of the changes to the Licensing Act 2003 brought about by the Legislative Reform (Minor Variations to Premises Licences and Club Premises Certificates) Order 2009 subject to a consultation exercise.

Mr Hambly explained that it was also sought to amend the Statement of Licensing Policy to reflect the minor variation procedure introduced by the order.

Following consideration it was RESOLVED:

1. To recommend to Council an amendment to the Statement of Licensing Policy to reflect the minor variation introduced by the Legislative Reform Order (Minor Variations to Premises Licences and Club Premises Certificates) Order 2009 subject to a statutory consultation exercise. Any technical and drafting amendments following the consultation period shall be delegated to the Chair and Vice Chairman of Licensing Committee together with the Director of Community Services
2. That the determination of minor variation applications under the Licensing Act 2003 be delegated to the Director of Community Services.

6. Revised Gambling Policy - 2010-2013

Chris Hambly, (Licensing Officer) presented members with the draft revised Gambling Policy Statement and informed the committee of the ongoing consultation.

Following consideration it was RESOLVED:

1. To note the contents of the report and recommend the draft Policy for approval subject to any alterations following the consultation period and approval of Full Council.
2. To delegate to the Chair and Vice Chairman of Licensing Committee together with the Director of Community Services the authority to make any technical and drafting amendments following the consultation period.

7. Licensing Act 2003 Enforcement 2008/2009 Review

Chris Hambly, (Licensing Officer) introduced the report which provided an update for the members on the number of licences issued under the Licensing Act 2003 and gave an overview on enforcement.

Following consideration it was RESOLVED:

To note the contents of the report and recommend to Council that serious consideration be given to the increase of Enforcement staff to the Licensing function and Public protection provision.

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