

Licensing Committee



Date	27 April 2007
Venue	Lowther Pavilion, Lytham
Committee members	Dawn Prestwich (Chairman) Christine Akeroyd (Vice-Chairman) Elizabeth Clarkson, Karen Henshaw JP, Janine Owen
Other Councillors	None
Officers	Chris Hambly, Stuart Handley, Lyndsey Lacey

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

To approve the minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on 2 March 2007 as a correct record for signature by the chairman.

3. Substitute members

None

4. Gambling Premises Licensing Fees

Stuart Handley (Commercial and Licensing Manager) presented a comprehensive report on gambling premises license fees.

Mr. Handley explained that the Department of Culture, Media and Sport had

determined that as from the 21st May 2007, all local authorities would be required to accept advanced applications for premises licences for the purposes of gambling, and would be entitled to levy fees in order to recover the costs for administration, inspection and enforcement.

The report outlined the transitional arrangements. The report also provided a breakdown of cost recoverable fees chargeable by the authority and included a table comparing the maximum fees under the regulations and recoverable fees chargeable.

Following discussion it was RESOLVED:

1. To approve the fees chargeable (as set out in the report) which are based upon the cost recovery for the issuing of gambling premises licenses.
2. To agree to the committee undertaking a review of the fees in 12 months time.
