

LICENSING COMMITTEE - 5 November 2020

MINUTES

Present: Councillors: K Allsopp, J Butler (Chairman), C Buxton-Sait, T Diccico, R Grinsell, B Groom, J Hamilton, P Hogarth MBE (Vice-Chairman), K Thomas and P Thomas

Officers: David Acton – Democratic Services
Anne Bettison – Licensing
Andy Callingham – Safer Communities
Santokh Gill - Legal

Apologies: Councillors: F Nash

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Nash tendered her apologies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest from Members.

3. QUESTIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

No questions or deputations received.

4. STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

The Licensing Committee were informed of the requirement for a statutory review of the Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003, and the need for a short consultation.

The Director for Economy and Infrastructure advised that due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and its impact on licensing authorities and the hospitality industry, it would be appropriate to consult on the basis that the current policy be rolled forward and a more comprehensive review be undertaken at a later date.

RESOLVED

The Licensing Committee agreed to a 20 days consultation period running from 6-25 November 2020, proposing that the existing Statement of Licensing Policy be rolled over in its current form and reviewed in the next 12-24 months, most likely once the Covid-19 pandemic had subsided.

The Licensing Committee to consider any representations received on 27 November 2020, and to propose that the Statement of Licensing policy be adopted by Full Council on 8 December 2020.