



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE HELD ON 25th JULY 2024

PRESENT: Councillor , Councillors C Bain, L Clarke, M Clarke, T Clements, S Smith, N Statham and L Wood

The following officers were present: Wendy Smith (Head of Environmental Health), Sarah Gear (Senior Licensing Officer), Tracey Pointon (Legal Admin & Democratic Services Manager) and Laura Sandland (Democratic and Executive Support Officer)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B Price, B Clarke, S Daniels, P Pallett, M Summers and J Wadrup.

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th March were approved and signed as a correct record.

(Moved by Councillor L Wood and seconded by Councillor T Clements)

3 APPOINTMENT OF A VICE-CHAIR

RESOLVED: Councillor M Clarke be appointed as Vice-Chair

(Moved by Councillor L Wood and seconded by Councillor N Statham)

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

5 TAXI & PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING POLICY REVIEW

Report of the Assistant Director - Growth & Regeneration presented to the Committee the responses to the informal review of the Council's Licensing Policy for Taxis and Private Hire Licences.

Resolved that the Committee:

1. Noted the responses received.
2. Approved the minor amendments proposed.

(Moved By Councillor L Wood and seconded by Councillor T Clements)

6 GAMBLING ACT 2005 – REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

Report of the Assistant Director - Growth & Regeneration. The Council's current Statement of Principles under the Gambling Act 2005 took effect on 31st January 2023. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Council is required to prepare and publish a Statement of Principles every three years. Therefore, a new Statement of Principles must be published by 31st January 2025. As part of the process of preparing a Statement of Principles for the three-year period beginning on 31st January 2025, the Licensing Committee are now asked to approve a draft Statement of Principles for the purpose of consultation with relevant parties

Resolved that the Committee

1. Approved the draft Statement of Principles shown at Appendix 2 for the purpose of consultation with relevant parties

(moved by Councillor C Bain and seconded by Councillor T Clements)

Chair