



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE HELD ON 3rd OCTOBER 2024

PRESENT: Councillor B Price (Chair), Councillors C Bain, B Clarke, L Clarke, S Daniels, P Pallett, S Smith, N Statham and M Summers

The following officers were present: Rebeca Cooper (Legal Advisor) Jamie Porter (Legal) Anna Miller (Assistant Director – Growth & Regeneration), Wendy Smith (Head of Environmental Health), Sarah Bradley (Senior Licensing Officer), Jodie Small (Environmental Health Licensing Officer), Tracey Pointon (Legal Admin & Democratic Services Manager) and Laura Sandland (Democratic and Executive Support Officer)

12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor T Clements, J Wadrup and L Wood

13 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2024 were approved and signed as a correct record.

(Moved by Councillor C Bain and seconded by Councillor L Clarke)

14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

15 GAMBLING ACT 2005 – REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Environmental Sustainability, Recycling and Waste. 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 following the consultation with relevant parties.

Resolved that:

Members recommended to Full Council that they consider the draft Statement of Principles as suitable for adoption to become effective 31st January 2025 subject to the amendments suggested by Gosschalks on behalf of the Betting and Gaming Council should members feel these are appropriate.

(Moved by Councillor L Clarke and seconded by Councillor C Bain)

16 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meeting and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, and Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information to the public.

(Moved by Councillor B Clarke and seconded by Councillor P Pallett)

17 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

Report of the Assistant Director - Growth & Regeneration to consider an application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire driver's licence.

Decision

Refusal to grant the applicant a licence to drive Hackney Carriage/Private Hire vehicles with Tamworth Borough Council, as he is not a 'fit and proper' person to hold a licence.

Chair