

LICENSING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING of the Licensing Committee held on Wednesday, 22 February 2017 at 9.30 am at the Guildhall, Portsmouth.

Present

Councillors Julie Bird (Chair)
Hannah Hockaday (Vice-Chair)
Dave Ashmore
Jennie Brent
Paul Godier
Steve Hastings
Leo Madden
Lee Mason
David Tompkins

1. Apologies for Absence (AI 1)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Suzy Horton, Gerald Vernon-Jackson, Stephen Morgan and Ken Ellcome. Standing deputy Councillor Ryan Brent was in attendance for Councillor Ellcome.

2. Declarations of Members' Interests (AI 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 24 February 2016 (AI 3)

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Policy Committee held on 24 February 2016 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair.

4. The Gambling Act 2005 - Draft Statement of Licensing Policy (AI 4)

The Licensing Manager introduced the report. Members sought clarification on Fixed Odds Betting Terminals (FOBTs) and betting shops. Following a discussion the Licensing Manager agreed to seek further information regarding the restrictions in relation to the amount of betting premises under planning legislation and agreed to circulate this information to the Planning and Licensing Committee members. The Licensing Manager also agreed to circulate information to the Licensing Committee members on the categories of gaming machines including limits on stakes and prizes.

RESOLVED that the Licensing Committee agrees the draft Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy as set out in Appendix A; and instructs the Licensing Manager to undertake a process of consultation and to prepare a final draft of the policy statement for further consideration by the Committee by no later than the end of July 2017, and for subsequent approval by the full Council.

5. The Licensing Act 2003 - Draft Statement of Licensing Policy (AI 5)

The Licensing Manager introduced the report. Members sought clarification on the Late Night Levy and the Cumulative Impact Zone in particular CCTV in Guildhall Walk. Members also requested that the information contained within paragraph 2.2 in respect of City Deal sites be amended to delete this reference.

RESOLVED that the Licensing Committee agrees, with any necessary amendments, the draft statement of licensing policy prepared in accordance with Section 5 of the Act as set out in Appendix A; and instructs the Licensing Manager to undertake a process of consultation and to prepare a final draft of the policy for further consideration by the Committee and approval by the Council by no later than end of July 2017.

The meeting concluded at 10.35 am.

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Signed by the chair, Councillor Julie Bird.