# LICENSING POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING of the Licensing Policy Committee held on Wednesday 25 November 2009 at 9.30am in the executive meeting room of the Guildhall, Portsmouth.

Present Councillors Les Stevens (chair) David Fuller (vice-chair) Margaret Adair Jason Fazackarley Margaret Foster Andy Fraser Jacqui Hancock Malcolm Hey Luke Stubbs Linda Symes April Windebank

### 8. Declarations of Members' Interests (AI 1)

There were no declarations of interest.

9. Minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on 2 October 2009 (AI 2)

### (TAKE IN MINUTES)

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on 2 October 2009 be agreed and signed by the chair as a correct record.

10. Minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee meetings held on 26 August, 16 September and 2, 14 and 28 October 2009 (AI 3)

## (TAKE IN MINUTES)

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee meetings held on 26 August, 16 September and 2, 14 and 28 October 2009 be agreed and signed by the relevant chair of the meeting.

11. Gambling Act 2005 – Adoption of Statement of Licensing Principles (AI 4)

(TAKE IN REPORT BY THE LICENSING MANAGER)

The Licensing Manager introduced her report and explained that between 7 September and 6 November 2009, the draft Statement of Licensing Principles was made available for consultation in accordance with the statutory requirements. The draft Statement was sent to persons and organisations whom it was thought would have an interest and was published on the Council's website, copies were distributed to public libraries, the City Help desk and placed in each of the member's group rooms. At the conclusion of the consultation period, 1 response had been received from the Fratton Neighbourhood Forum. This had been included within the report.

### **RESOLVED:**

- (i) That the Licensing Committee:
  - a. Considered the responses received and approved the amendments to the proposed final statement of licensing principles;
  - b. Referred this report to the Council for information and guidance in respect of the requirements of the Gambling Act 2005;
- (ii) Recommended that the Council adopts the statement of licensing principles in accordance with Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005.

The meeting concluded at 9.40am.

Signed by Councillor Les Stevens Chair of the Licensing Policy Committee