

LICENSING AND GAMBLING ACTS COMMITTEE

Wednesday 16th January 2008

COUNCILLORS PRESENT : The Chair (Councillor Sareva), Councillors Armitage, Brundin, Campbell, Clarkson, Keen, Royce, Williams and Young.

OFFICERS PRESENT : William Reed and Daniel Smith (Legal and Democratic Services Business Unit), Tony Payne and Selina Steel (Environmental Health Business Unit).

24. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from the Vice-Chair (Councillor Turner) and from Councillor Cook.

25. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chair (Councillor Sareva) declared a personal interest in the work of the Committee as the holder of a Security Industry Authority licence.

26. MINUTES

- (1) Resolved that the Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of the Committee held on 24th October 2007 be confirmed as a correct record.
- (2) With reference to item (a) in part 2 of Minute 21 (STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY – OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION), Tony Payne (Environmental Health Business Unit) clarified that the Council did not itself place notices concerning new licences or variations to existing licences at premises and in the local press. That was the responsibility of the applicant. However, the Council ensured that the statutory requirements were met.
- (3) With reference to item (c) in part 2 of Minute 21 (STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY – OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION), the Chair said that an NVQ for door supervisors existed and she would ask Tony Payne to copy the details to members of the Committee if they were interested.

27. LICENSING ACTIVITY – APRIL – NOVEMBER 2007

The Head of Environmental Health submitted a report (previously circulated, now appended).

Resolved:-

- (1) To note the contents of the report;
- (2)(a) To note that the Head of Environmental Health was producing a guidance leaflet on licensing under the Licensing Act 2003;
- (b) To request that the leaflet be launched with a press release, and widely distributed;
- (c) That, among other things, the leaflet should include how to object to a premises licence application and how to initiate a review of an existing licence;
- (3) That future periodic reports should include information on:-
 - (a) which premises had obtained more than one Temporary Event Notice;
 - (b) closing times of premises by Ward as provided for in premises licences.

28. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved to note that the next meeting of the Committee was on 15th May 2008, the day of Annual Council, and that the purpose of the meeting was simply to appoint the Committee's Sub Committees.

The meeting commenced at 9.30am and closed at 10.00am.