

**MINUTES OF LICENSING ACT COMMITTEE**

**MEETING DATE** Tuesday, 12 March 2019

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Barbara Nathan (Chair), Jacqui Mort (Vice-Chair), Jane Bell, Malcolm Donoghue, Mary Green and Jon Hesketh

**OFFICERS:** Mark Marshall (Head of Licensing), Tasneem Safdar (Senior Solicitor), Coral Astbury (Trainee Governance and Member Services Officer) and Charlotte Lynch (Trainee Governance and Member Services Officer)

**OTHER MEMBERS:** Councillor Karen Walton (Cabinet Member (Public Health and Safety, Wellbeing and Environmental))

**PUBLIC:** 0

**21 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ken Jones, Mike Nathan and Paul Wharton.

**22 Minutes of the Licensing Act Committee - 20 November 2018**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Act Committee meeting held on 20 November 2018 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**23 Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 7 November 2018 of Licensing Panel**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Panel meeting held on 7 November 2018 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**24 Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 20 November 2018 of Licensing Panel**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Panel meeting held on 20 November 2018 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**25 Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 27 November 2018 of Licensing Panel**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Panel meeting held on 27 November 2018 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**26 Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 18 December 2018 of Licensing Panel**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Panel meeting held on 18 December 2018 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**27 Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 19 December 2018 of Licensing Panel**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Panel meeting held on 19 December 2018 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**28 Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 23 January 2019 of Licensing Panel**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Panel meeting held on 23 January 2019 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**29 Minutes of meeting Friday, 25 January 2019 of Licensing Panel**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Panel meeting held on 25 January 2019 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**30 Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 12 February 2019 of Licensing Panel**

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

The minutes of the Licensing Panel meeting held on 12 February 2019 were confirmed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

**31 Licensing Act 2003 Activity - March 2019**

The Head of Licensing presented a report that provided information to Members on the Licensing Activity of the authority between the months of November 2018 to February 2019. The activity included the consideration of a Personal Licence, revocation of a Premises Licence and formal closure of an Adult Gaming Centre by the Gambling Commission.

Members noted the positive work of the Authority and the Licensing Panels. The Head of Licensing informed members of a recent example regarding the suspension of a Premises Licence for a convenience store. The store had failed two underage test sales purchases in six months along with repeated breaches of licensing conditions. In addition suspicious activity had led the Authority and the police to believe that drug dealing was taking place from the premises.

A decision was taken by a Licensing Panel to suspend the licence for two months and to remove the Designated Premises Supervisor. A condition was also placed upon the licence that prohibited an individual from the premises in the interests of public safety.

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

That the report be noted.

Chair

Date