

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Licensing and Appeals Committee held in the
Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation, Foundation House, Icknield Way,
Letchworth Garden City
on Tuesday, 28th November, 2017 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ben Lewis.

2 MINUTES - 6 OCTOBER 2015

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 6 October 2015 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman.

3 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no notification of other business.

4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman advised that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

6 UPDATE ON LICENSING MATTERS

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the oral update report of the Licensing Manager be noted;
- (2) That, in response to the Government consultation on FOBTs in betting offices, the response include the view of the Committee that £20 per play should be the maximum stake, and that consideration should be given to the machines being fitted with a device to ensure a fixed time limit between each play; and
- (3) That the concept of a Licensing Annual Report be supported.

REASON FOR DECISION: To keep the Committee updated on various Licensing matters.

7 CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE STREET TRADING POLICY

Note: Prior to the consideration of this item, Councillor Jim McNally made a Declarable Interest, in view of his role as Chairman of a Community interest company in Baldock responsible for community events. He chose to remain in the meeting for the duration of the Committee's debate and vote on the item.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the results of the public consultation be noted, and the proposed policy amendments be supported;

- (2) That it be determined that the proposed amendments are minor, in so far as they do not amend the licensing principles or main focus of the existing policy;
- (3) That the Executive Member for Housing and Environmental Health be recommended to approve the Street Trading Policy amendments under Delegated Powers; and
- (4) That officers be requested to continue to investigate the available options, in conjunction with Hertfordshire County Council, in respect of the regulation of tables/chairs and 'A' boards.

REASON FOR DECISION: To ensure that the Council has in place a robust and up to date Street Trading Policy.

8 CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE STREET COLLECTIONS POLICY

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the results of the public consultation be noted, and the proposed policy amendments, as further amended, be supported;
- (2) That it be determined that the proposed amendments are minor, in so far as they do not amend the licensing principles or main focus of the existing policy; and
- (3) That the Executive Member for Housing and Environmental Health be recommended to approve the Street Collections Policy amendments under Delegated Powers.

REASON FOR DECISION: To ensure that the Council has in place a robust and up to date Street Collections Policy.

9 CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE HOUSE TO HOUSE COLLECTIONS POLICY

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the results of the public consultation be noted, and the proposed policy amendments be supported;
- (2) That it be determined that the proposed amendments are minor, in so far as they do not amend the licensing principles or main focus of the existing policy; and
- (3) That the Executive Member for Housing and Environmental Health be recommended to approve the House to House Collections Policy amendments under Delegated Powers.

REASON FOR DECISION: To ensure that the Council has in place a robust and up to date House to House Collections Policy.

10 CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE SEX ESTABLISHMENT POLICY

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the results of the public consultation be noted, and the proposed policy amendments, as further amended, be supported;
- (2) That it be determined that the proposed amendments are minor, in so far as they do not amend the licensing principles or main focus of the existing policy; and

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- (3) That the Executive Member for Housing and Environmental Health be recommended to approve the Sex Establishment Policy amendments under Delegated Powers.

REASON FOR DECISION: To ensure that the Council has in place a robust and up to date House to Sex Establishment Policy.