

South Somerset District Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Licensing Committee** held at the **Main Committee Room** on **Wednesday 28 November 2018**.

(10.00 - 10.30 am)

Present:

Members: Councillor David Recardo (Chairman)

Jason Baker
Nigel Gage
Crispin Raikes

Angie Singleton
Alan Smith

Officers

Jo Morris
Anita Legg

Case Services Officer (Support Services)
Licensing Officer

Note: All decisions were approved without dissent unless shown otherwise.

32. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 11th September 2018 and Various Licensing Sub Committee meetings (Agenda Item 1)

The minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 11th September 2018 were signed as a correct record of the proceedings subject to the following amendment:

Item 30: Appointment of Chairmen for Licensing Sub Committees

Cllr. Crispin Raikes to be included in the list of members appointed as Licensing Sub Committee Chairmen for the municipal year 2018/19.

The minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee meetings held on 24th April 2018, 21st May 2018, 11th September 2018, 2nd October 2018 and 11th October 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

33. Apologies for Absence (Agenda Item 2)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Neil Bloomfield, Dave Bulmer, Val Keitch, Tony Lock, David Norris, Wes Read, Gerard Tucker and Linda Vijeh.

34. Declarations of Interest (Agenda Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

35. Public Participation at Committees (Agenda Item 4)

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

36. Draft Statement of Principles 2019 - 2021 (Agenda Item 5)

The Licensing Officer introduced the report and gave further information about the different types of authorisations in place under the Gambling Act 2005. She also informed members that various parties had been consulted on the draft Statement of Principles including premise licence and permit holders, the Police, Town and Parish Councils and Solicitors.

The Licensing Officer advised that four responses had been received in respect of the draft Statement of Principles. Members noted that a copy of the policy had been sent to the Gambling Commission and some of their comments had been included in the suggested amendments outlined on page 9 of the agenda.

In response to a question regarding the programme of inspections, members were advised that the Licensing Specialists would endeavour to avoid duplication and carry out inspections for premises licences (issued under the Licensing Act 2003) and permits at the same time where applicable.

The Licensing Officer informed members that there was no prescribed regulations in relation to the size of 'Gamcare' and social responsibility stickers.

At the conclusion of the debate, Members were content to approve the recommendations of the report subject to including the Portfolio Holder for Licensing under Recommendation 2.

- RESOLVED:**
- (1) That the Licensing Committee approved the draft Statement of Principles together with the proposed amendments and recommend it to Full Council for consideration and adoption.
 - (2) That Licensing Committee recommend to Full Council that the power to make any minor amendments to the policy is delegated to the Licensing Specialists in consultation with the Specialist Services Manager and the Portfolio Holder for Licensing.

(Voting: unanimous)

37. Date of Next Meeting (Agenda Item 6)

Members noted that the next meeting of the Licensing Committee would be held on Tuesday 12th March 2019 at 10.00am in the Council Offices, Brympton Way, Yeovil.

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Chairman

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Date