

Licensing Committee

Date: Wednesday, 06 July 2022

Time: 14:15

Venue: Flensburg Room

Present: Councillor Ms Jo Ellis-Williams, Councillor Mrs Linda Mitchell, Councillor David Morton, Councillor Paul Nedved, Councillor Tim Pickstone, Councillor Peter Sunter, Councillor Miss Jeanette Whalen

Councillor Pamela Birks (for Councillor Ruth Alcroft), Councillor Mrs Elizabeth Mallinson (for Councillor Mrs Marilyn Bowman), Councillor John Mallinson (for Councillor John Collier), Councillor Lucy Patrick (for Councillor Dr Les Tickner)

Also Present: Senior Lawyer
Regulatory Compliance Officer
Environmental Health Officer

LC.16/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Alcroft, Councillor Mrs Bowman, Councillor Collier and Councillor Dr Tickner.

LC.17/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest submitted.

LC.18/22 PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED - It was agreed that the items in Part A be dealt with in public and the items in private be dealt with in Part B.

LC.19/22 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED -That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 April 2022 be agreed as a correct record.

LC.20/22 LICENSING ACT 2003 UPDATE

The Regulatory Compliance Officer submitted report GD.39/22 which provided the current position regarding applications under the Licensing Act 2003. He reported on the licence figures as at 21 June 2022. The report detailed the New Premises Licenses and Temporary Event Notices which had been issued during the reporting period.

Members raised some concerns with regard to the verification checks that were being undertaken for doorstep deliveries of alcohol. They asked for clarity on who had the responsibility for doorstep deliveries and how verification checks were carried out.

The Regulatory Compliance Officer agreed to provide a written response to the Panel.

A Member noted the low number of Temporary Event Notices that had been received to date and asked if Covid 19 continued to impact the number of applications and if it was expected to rise. The Regulatory Compliance Officer responded that the figures contained in the report reflected the first half of the year, should this trend continue then the overall figure would be slightly under the annual average.

RESOLVED - 1) That the Licensing Act 2023 Update be noted (GD.39/22)

2) That the Regulatory Compliance Officer provided the Panel with information on the verification process that was in place for licensed premises who undertook doorstep deliveries, in particular, who the responsibility for that verification process fell to.

LC.21/22 GAMBLING ACT 2005 UPDATE

The Regulatory Compliance Officer submitted the Gambling Act 2005 Update (GD.40/22) which gave an update on the current position regarding licenses, permits and application made under the Act. The licence figures as at 21 June 2022 were highlighted.

RESOLVED - That the Gambling Act 2005 - Update GD.40/22 be noted

LC.22/22 LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The Licensing Manager submitted the schedule of Members appointed to serve on the Licensing Sub Committees following Annual Council on 16 May 2022.

RESOLVED - That the schedule setting out the appointment of Members to serve on the four Licensing Sub-Committees for the Municipal Year 2022/23 as set out below, be approved:

Licensing Sub Committee 1 (3)

Conservative: Bowman, Collier, Ellis-Williams (sub)

Labour: Sunter, Alcroft (sub)

Independent Member for Stanwix and Houghton: Nedved (sub)

Licensing Sub Committee 2 (3)

Conservative: Meller, Bowman (sub), Mitchell (sub)

Labour: Tickner, Sunter (sub)

Independent and Liberal Democrat: Pickstone

Licensing Sub Committee 3 (3)

Conservative: Mitchell, Ellis-Williams, Morton (sub)

Labour: Whalen, Tickner (sub)

Independent and Liberal Democrat: Pickstone (sub)

Licensing Sub Committee 4 (3)

Conservative: Morton, Collier (sub), Meller (sub)

Labour: Alcroft, Whalen (sub)

Independent Member for Stanwix and Houghton: Nedved

The Meeting ended at: 14:27