

## Minutes of Licensing Committee

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 14 June 2016, starting at 6.30pm  
Present: Councillor J Alcock (Chairman)

Councillors:

S Atkinson	R Hargreaves
R Bennett	S Hind
I Brown	A Knox
S Brunskill	G Scott
M Fenton	J White

In attendance: Head of Legal and Democratic Services, Solicitor.

81 NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Councillors P Elms and G Geldard.

82 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors G Mirfin and R Swarbrick.

83 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 April 2016 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Committee received the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee held on 30 March 2016.

84 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no pecuniary and non-pecuniary declarations of interest.

85 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

86 REVIEW OF CONVICTIONS POLICY FOR PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENCES

The Chief Executive submitted a report informing Committee of the outcome of consultation and seeking approval for the Statement of Policy and Guidelines on Relevant Convictions. The Solicitor reported that two responses had been received to the consultation, one in opposition but without any reasons being given, and the other supporting the adoption of the policy but suggesting that period free from conviction for certain offences could be extended before an applicant becomes eligible for a licence. The Solicitor explained that the policy sets out guidelines, but can be departed from where appropriate. It was also confirmed that the policy provides for account to be taken of convictions for

similar offences, which provides cover in relation to offences in another jurisdiction.

\*\*\* RESOLVED: That Committee approve the Convictions Policy at Appendix 1 to the report and refer it to Full Council with a recommendation that it be adopted. \*\*\*

## 87 POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR FILM CLASSIFICATION

The Chief Executive submitted a report informing Committee of the outcome of consultation and seeking approval for the Policy and Procedure for Film Classification. The proposed Policy and Procedure provided for the Council to meet its responsibilities with regard to classification of films where a request had been made for exhibition of a film which had not been classified by the British Board of Film Classifications. There had been no response to the consultation.

\*\*\* RESOLVED: That Committee approve the Policy for determining film classification at Appendix 1 to the report and refer it to Full Council with a recommendation that it be adopted. \*\*\*

## 88 RIBBLE VALLEY SAFETY ADVISORY GROUP

Committee received the minutes from the meeting of the Ribble Valley Safety Advisory Group dated 28 April 2016.

## 89 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That by virtue of the fact that the following items of business by exempt information under Category 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be now excluded from the meeting.

## 90 UPDATE ON LICENSING ISSUES AND SUMMER DAYS FESTIVAL

The Chief Executive submitted a report on the Summer Days Festival scheduled for 6, 8 and 9 July 2016, for which a premises licence, with conditions, had been granted by the Licensing Sub-Committee on 22 January 2016.

The Solicitor reported on progress with compliance with the conditions of the Licence and gave an update on the proposed arrangements for the festival, including traffic and noise management, safety arrangements and stewarding. Committee were informed of the Council's powers in the event that complaints were to be received from responsible authorities. Committee were also advised that, if they are approached by individual complainants or concerned parties, that they should refer the complainant to the Contact Centre, or designated contact point out of hours.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 7.10pm.

If you have any queries on these minutes please contact Diane Rice (414418).