

DECISIONS OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

8 May 2007

Committee:

- * Councillor Andreas Tambourides (Chairman)
- * Councillor Kate Salinger BEd (Hons) (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors:

Maureen Braun
Terry Burton
*Claire Farrier
John Hart BA MA
*Julie Johnson
*Kath McGuirk
Vacancy

Susette Palmer MA
Wendy Prentice
*Hugh Rayner
*Joan Scannell
Ansuya Sodha MBA (Middx) Cert Ed,
DipM (CIM), AMBA
*Jim Tierney

* denotes Member present

1. MINUTES:

RESOLVED – That the Decisions of the meeting held on 18 October 2006 be approved as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ansuya Sodha who was attending another meeting and Councillor Susette Palmer who was attending a training course.

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

There were no public questions.

4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:

None were declared.

5. GAMBLING HEARINGS PROCEDURE (Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services Manager)

The Head of Legal and the Democratic Services Manager circulated an addendum at the meeting and the Committee noted both the addendum and an oral update, namely:

Page 5: Appendix A – Hearings Procedure

- Delete the reference to 'Licensing Act 2003' and replace with 'Gambling Act 2005'.
- Delete reference to 'Regulations 16 and 24'.
- Delete reference to 'Regulation 22'.

Page 6: Appendix A – Hearings Procedure

- Add the word 'she' to 'Chairman asks Applicant what he/she disputes'.

Page 7: Appendix A – Hearings Procedure

- Delete reference to ‘under Reg. 14’.
- Insert an additional sentence to bullet point 2 under the heading ‘Chairman’ to read ‘The Licensing Officer plays no part in the determination and withdraws for this part of the proceedings’.
- Delete reference to ‘this version....16 May 2006’.

RESOLVED that, subject to the amendments detailed above –

- (1) The Committee approve and adopt the draft Hearings Procedure, detailed in Appendix A to this report, as the procedure to be used by this Licensing Authority for the conduct of Hearings under the Gambling Act 2005;
- (2) The Procedure be reviewed periodically and amended as required to reflect legislative changes and developing best practice; and
- (3) The Democratic Services Manager be authorised, in consultation and agreement with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Licensing Committee, to make any minor or consequential amendments to the Procedure as might be required.

The meeting finished at 7.15pm