Monday, 5 October 2015 at 6.00 pm



## **Licensing Act Committee**

Present:-

Members: Councillor Dow (Chairman), Councillor Rodohan (Deputy-

Chairman); Councillors Choudhury, Hearn, Holt, Murdoch, Murray,

Salsbury, Smart and Swansborough

## 1 Minutes of the meeting held on 6 October 2014.

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 October 2014 were submitted and approved and the Chairman was authorised to sign them as a correct record.

## 2 Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were reported from Councillors Belsey, Blakebrough and Coles.

3 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs) by members as required under Section 31 of the Localism Act and of other interests as required by the Code of Conduct.

None were received.

## 4 Statement of Gambling Principles.

The Committee considered the report of the Customer First Manager regarding the Council's Gambling Policy (Statement of Principles). The Council was required to review the policy at least every three years and a consultation period on the draft revised policy had taken place from 1 July 2015 to 24 September 2015. The revised policy and responses to the consultation were appended to the report.

The Customer First Manager circulated a document to the Committee, detailing the proposed changes to the policy which would be subject to full Council approval prior to implementation. The Committee requested that for ease of reference, proposed changed to existing Council policies submitted for Committee approval be highlighted using track changes.

The Customer First Manager added that councils were given discretion to charge up to the fees specified within a banding set by Central Government.

**RESOLVED: (Unanimous) (1)** That the Committee note, endorse and approve the proposed changes to the Council's Gambling Policy (Statement of Principles) 2013-2016, which would form the Council's approach to

gambling matters under the Gambling Act 2005 for the next three years, unless reviewed in the interim.

(2) That the matter be referred to Cabinet for comment and to Full Council for final approval and adoption of the Policy.

The meeting closed at 6.20 pm

**Councillor Dow (Chairman)**