

Eastbourne Licensing Committee

Minutes of meeting held in Court Room at Eastbourne Town Hall, Grove Road, BN21 4UG on 17 December 2024 at 6.00 pm.

Present:

Councillor Amanda Morris (Chair).

Councillors Kathy Ballard (Deputy-Chair), Andy Collins, Penny di Cara, Nigel Goodyear, Jane Lamb, Hugh Parker and Teri Sayers-Cooper.

Officers in attendance:

Jo Dunk (Lead for Regulatory Services), Michele Wilkinson (Lawyer – Housing & Regulatory), Dee OLeary (Senior Specialist Advisor - Resolution Team) and Emily Horne (Committee Officer).

28 Minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2024 were submitted and approved, and the Chair was authorised to sign them as a correct record.

29 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Colin Belsey, Anita Mayes and Robin Maxted.

30 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.

There were none.

31 Questions by members of the public

There were none.

32 Urgent items of business

There were none.

33 Right to address the meeting/order of business

There were none.

34 Eastbourne Borough Council Statement of Gambling Principles

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Executive which requested the Committee review the Eastbourne Borough Council Statement of Gambling Principles and authorise the Senior Specialist Advisor to start a six-week public consultation on the Statement of Gambling Principles.

In accordance with Section 349 Gambling Act 2005, the Act requires Licensing Authorities to review every three years the Statement of Gambling Principles.

The Lead for Regulatory Services, presented the report and its findings. Appended to the report at Appendix 1, was the Eastbourne Borough Council proposed amended Statement of Gambling Principles 2025-2028.

Councillor Lamb proposed a motion to agree the officer recommendations as listed in the report. This was seconded by Councillor Parker.

RESOLVED: (Unanimously) that:

- 1) The Senior Specialist Advisor be authorised to start a six-week consultation with the public, trade and interested parties; and
- 2) That, following the consultation period, the Lead for Regulatory Services, in conjunction with the Chair of the Licensing Committee, be delegated to consider the consultation responses and make any minor changes to the Eastbourne Borough Council's Statement of Gambling Principles and then recommend the same to Full Council for approval. That in the event of substantial changes being suggested by the consultation, a report be brought back to the Licensing Committee.

35 Date of the next meeting

To note that the next meeting of the Licensing Committee is scheduled to be held on Monday, 27 January 2025 at 6:00pm.

The meeting ended at 6.17 pm

Councillor Amanda Morris (Chair)