

LICENSING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26TH NOVEMBER 2009

Present:

Councillor Parnell (Chair)

Councillors Baillie, Mrs Blatchford, Cunio, Drake, Norris, Osmond, Thomas and Willacy.

Apologies: Councillors Fitzgerald, Galton, Letts and Odgers.

7. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Committee held on 26th August 2009 be approved and signed as a correct record. (Copy of the minutes circulated with the agenda and appended to the signed minutes).

8. **TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF GAMBLING ACT 2005 POLICY**

The Committee considered the report of the Solicitor to the Council setting out a draft revised Gambling Act Policy, as approved by Council on 16th September 2009. The purpose of the report was to afford the Committee the opportunity to provide comment as a consultee on the draft Statement of Licensing Principles for inclusion in the final revised Gambling Act Policy for adoption by Council, as licensing authority, in January 2010. (Copy of the minutes circulated with the agenda and appended to the signed minutes).

The Committee noted that a full report had also been placed before the Council's Local Safeguarding Children's Board and an extensive consultation on the draft Statement of Licensing Principles would be undertaken in accordance with the Act and Regulations as well as the Council's own consultation requirements.

The Committee also noted that, the Act and Regulations were extensive and prescriptive in relation to the majority of the content and form of the Statement of Licensing Principles. The draft policy included relevant minor amendments to that agreed in 2007, resulting from revisions to the statutory guidance, and minor changes in the introduction.

RESOLVED that the draft Statement of Licensing Principles / revised Gambling Act Policy be approved.