

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 COMMITTEE HELD AT BY TEAMS ON TUESDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2020

PRESENT

County Councillor J M Williams (Chair)

County Councillors F H Jump, H Lewis, I McIntosh, WD Powell, K S Silk, D A Thomas, D H Williams and J Williams

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillors L V Corfield, L George and P Pritchard. Councillor P Pritchard telephoned during the meeting to advise that he was having IT problems and could not access the meeting.

2. MINUTES

The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the meetings held on 5 September 2018 and 16 May 2019 as correct records.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

County Councillor J Williams declared a personal interest as he was the Chair of the Albert Hall, Llandrindod Wells which had a premises licence.

During the meeting the following declarations were also made:
County Councillor K Silk declared a personal interest as she was a Director of a property company which owned a public house. She advised that the company was not involved in the running of the licensed premises. County Councillor Silk also declared that she was a magistrate.

County Councillor W Powell declared a personal interest as his son was a part-time barman.

4. REVIEW OF LICENSING ACT 2003 POLICY

The Committee noted that the Authority's current Licensing Act 2003 Policy was published in January 2016. In accordance with section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 the Authority is required to publish a revised updated Licensing Act 2003 policy in January 2021.

The Committee was advised that the updated draft policy takes into account issues raised over the previous five years. It aims to improve and update the current policy taking into consideration legislative changes, revised guidance or relevant case law since 2016. The Senior Licensing Officer agreed to include a better map of the county. In response to questions she advised that anyone could make comments on licensing applications.

In response to concerns raised about safeguarding issues the Senior Licensing Officer advised that in addition to the limited restrictions specified in the Act premise owners would include details of suitable controls for safeguarding children in their operating schedule.

In response to comments the Senior Licensing Officer advised that she would add the Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Panel to the consultation list.

| RESOLVED | Reason for decision |
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| That the revised Licensing Act 2003 policy set out at Annex A [of the report] be approved for consultation. Following consultation consider any relevant comments at a future meeting and recommend a final policy to Full Council on 26th November for approval and publication in January 2021. | To comply with section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 the authority is required to publish a revised updated Licensing Act 2003 policy in January 2021. |

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| 5. LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES |
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The Committee noted that the following Sub-Committee minutes had been noted at its meeting on 17 May 2018: 17 July 2017, 20 September 2017, 15 January 2018 and 16 April 2018.

The Committee noted the following Sub-Committee minutes: 13 July 2018, 19 July 2018, 13 August 2018, 12 November 2018 and 21 January 2019.

The Chair thanked the Members and officers for attending the meeting.

County Councillor J M Williams (Chair)