

LICENSING COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2018

PRESENT:- Councillors Alan Bishop, Malcolm Davies, Paul Dixon, Steph Exell, Fionuala Foley, Nick Martin, Brian Mattock, Caryl Sydney-Smith, Vera Tomlinson, Nadine Watts and Peter Watts.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Abdul Amin, John Ballman, Imtiyaz Shaikh and Rahul Tarar.

10. Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Members of the need to declare any known interests in any matters to be considered at the meeting. No declarations were made.

11. Minutes

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2018, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

12. Public Question Time

No public questions were received during the meeting.

13. Consultation for the introduction of a Tattoo Hygiene Rating System

With the agreement of the Committee this item was withdrawn.

14. The Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018

The Council's Licensing Manager submitted a report setting out an overview of the new legislation in respect of (i) the licensing of the sale of animals as pets, (ii) the boarding of dogs and cats, (iii) the hiring of horses, (iv) the breeding of dogs, and (v) the keeping or training of animals for exhibition.

Resolved - (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That officers arrange training on the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) Regulations 2018 for Members of this Committee.

15. Request for Deviation from The Council's Street Trading Policy

The Committee considered (a) a report of the Council's Licensing Manager setting out an application to trade in Swindon Town Centre over a five week period in contravention of the existing Street Trading Policy, (b) the comments of InSwindon in respect of the organisation of a Christmas Market and support for the application received, (c) the comments of Mr Steven Hill (applicant) in support of the application, and (d) answers to Members' questions in respect of the application and current Street Trading Policy.

Resolved – That the application for a five week Street Trading Permit, by Mr Steven Hill, commencing at the end of November 2018 for a location in the town centre identified by InSwindon be approved.

