

LICENSING COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 17 DECEMBER 2018

PRESENT:- Councillors Vera Tomlinson (Chair) Abdul Amin, John Ballman, Alan Bishop, Malcolm Davies, Paul Dixon, Steph Exell, Fionuala Foley, Nick Martin, Brian Mattock, Caryl Sydney-Smith, Rahul Tarar, Nadine Watts and Peter Watts.

An apology for absence was received from Councillors Imtiyaz Shaikh.

22. 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.

23. Minutes

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd November 2018, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

24. Public Question Time

No public questions were received during the meeting.

25. Introduction of a Local Policy in respect of Home Boarding Businesses with Additional Hosts

The Committee considered (a) a report of the Council's Licensing Manager seeking the approval of the Committee to adopt a revised local policy in respect of Home Boarding Businesses with additional hosts following changes to guidance issued by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, and (b) the comments of Hillary Coates and Alex Giles (Local Boarding Business representatives).

Resolved – That Council be recommended to adopt a revised Home Boarding Premises Policy, as set out within the report, including (a) an officer inspection of premises prior to any grant or renewal of a licence and (b) authorisation for the Council's Licensing Manager to determine unannounced additional inspections of premises of home boarding premises defined as falling "out of scope" in guidance issued by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

26. Street Trading

The Council's Licensing Manager submitted a report setting out proposals for a revised Street Trading Policy for the Borough following a public consultation and the consideration of responses arising from the consultation by the Committee at its meeting held on 22nd November 2018.

Resolved – That Council be recommended to adopt the revised Street Trading Policy subject to the following amendments:

- (a) That no street trading involving food shall be permitted within 200 metres of an educational establishment;
- (b) That the removal of the restriction on food sales only being permitted where it is

ancillary to a market (this would allow food festivals and food markets within the area designed as markets only);

(c) A market shall require a minimum of 4 stalls to be constituted;

(d) That the designated streets be amended as set out in the report such that those currently designated “under consideration” be prohibited save for the holding of markets; and

(e) That any application by individual street traders for a permit to trade in restricted streets shall be deemed to have been refused unless it has been considered and approved by the Licensing Committee.

27. Taxi Caution and Conviction Policy

With the agreement of the Committee this item was withdrawn.