GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 2 November 2021

PRESENT – Councillors B Jones (Chair), Crumbie, Donoghue, C L B Hughes, Newall and Snedker

APOLOGIES - Councillors Clarke, Dulston, Lee, K Nicholson and A J Scott,

ABSENT – Councillors Haszeldine and Mills

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE – Allison Hill (Democratic Officer), Amy Wennington (Principal Lawyer (Litigation)), Brian Murray (Assistant Licensing Manager) and Anthony Hall (Superintendent Registrar)

LG8 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting.

LG9 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE HELD ON 17 AUGUST 2021

Submitted – the Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of the General Licensing Committee held on 17 August 2021.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meeting of the General Licensing committee held on 17 August 2021 be approved as a correct record.

LG10 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE GENERAL LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE HELD ON 21 SEPTEMBER 2021

Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of the General Licensing Sub-Committee held on 21 September 2021.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meeting of the General Licensing Sub-Committee held on 21 September 2021 be approved as a correct record.

LG11 APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LICENCE FOR PREMISES TO BE APPROVED AS A VENUE FOR MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS - ROCKLIFFE HALL HOTEL, DARLINGTON

The Assistant Director, Law and Governance and Proper Officer for Darlington Registration District submitted a report (previously circulated) to give consideration to the renewal of a licence for Rockliffe Hall Hotel to be approved as a venue for Civil Marriages and Civil Partnerships in accordance with the provisions of The Marriage Act 1949 (as amended by the Marriage Act 1994); the Civil Partnership Act (2004); the Marriage and Civil Partnerships (Approved Premises) Regulations 2005 and 2021; and the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act (2013).

The submitted report gave a summary of Rockliffe Hall Hotel as an approved venue; the designated rooms and maximum capacity for each room; and a copy of the application submitted.

RESOLVED – (a) That Rockliffe Hall Hotel be approved as an approved premises granted for a further three years from 24 November 2021.

(b) That the places designated where civil marriages and civil partnerships can take place indoors of the premises and the maximum number of persons who can attend those marriages and civil partnerships continue to be :

In the Old Hall:

The Morning Room – 65 The Drawing Room – 60 The Cocktail Lounge – 60 The Orangery – 150 The Boardroom – 20 The Campernella – 55 The Old Hall – 40 The Old Hall Foyer – 80

In the New Hall:

The Rockliffe Suite – 170 The Rockliffe Lounge – 100 The Bowes Suite – 30 The Cotherstone Suite – 10

In the Clubhouse :

The Grassholme - 180 The Stanwick – 20

External Buildings :

The Glasshouse – 120 The Rosebud Curious Cabin – 6 (unlimited guests outside of cabin)