

## **GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, 10 July 2018

**PRESENT** – Councillors Nutt (Chair), Kane, C L B Hughes, B Jones, Mrs D Jones, Lawton, Lee and Donoghue

**APOLOGIES** – Councillors Newall and Rahman,

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE** – PCSO McAllister (Durham Constabulary)

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE** – Allison Hill (Democratic Officer), Julie Richings (Principal Licensing Officer), Graham Hall (Head of Community Safety), Carol Glasper (Designated Officer), Leanne Maloney-Kelly, Licensing Officer; Charleen Gugi, Licensing Support Officer and Bethany Symonds (Lawyer)

### **LG1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

### **LG2 TIMES OF MEETINGS**

**RESOLVED** – That for the remainder of this Municipal Year the timings of meetings of this Scrutiny Committee be held at 9.30 a.m.

### **LG3 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE HELD ON 13 MARCH 2018.**

Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Committee held on 13 March 2018.

**RESOLVED** – That the Minutes be approved as a correct record.

### **LG4 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE GENERAL LICENSING SUB COMMITTEES HELD ON 13 MARCH AND 1 MAY 2018.**

Submitted - The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meetings of the General Licensing Sub-Committees held on 13 March and 1 May 2018.

**RESOLVED** – That the Minutes be approve as a correct record.

### **LG5 VARIATION OF LICENCE FOR PREMISES TO BE APPROVED AS A VENUE FOR MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS - REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR LAW AND GOVERNANCE.**

The Assistant Director Law and Governance submitted a report (previously circulated) to consider a request received from Blackwell Grange Hotel to make a variation to its licence to be approved as a venue for Marriages and Civil Partnerships in accordance with the provisions of the Marriage Act 1949 (as amended by the Marriage Act 1994) and the Marriage and Civil Partnerships (Approved Premises) Regulations 2005 and the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013.

The submitted report gave a summary of Blackwell Grange Hotel as an approved venue; detailed the variation request following refurbishment; enclosed a schedule of the designated rooms for Civil Marriage and Civil Partnerships within the Hotel; and provided photographs of the replacement gazebo to be used as a suitable place for Civil Marriage and Civil Partnerships to take place.

**RESOLVED** – That approval be granted to vary the conditions of the licence for the Blackwell Grange Hotel as follows :-

- (a) to note the change of ownership;
- (b) to note the renaming of the 'The Jacobean Suite' to 'The Bruhenny Suite'; and
- (c) to approve the replacement Gazebo as a suitable place for Civil Marriage and Civil Partnerships to take place.