

LICENSING ACT 2003 COMMITTEE
31 MAY 2016

PRESENT – Councillor Nutt (in the Chair); Councillors L. Haszeldine, Kane, Lawton, Lee and Newall. (6)

APOLOGIES – Councillors C. Hughes, B Jones, Mrs. Jones and Stenson. (4)

OFFICERS – David Burrell, Private Sector Housing Manager; Joanna Jackson, Licensing Enforcement Officer; Amy Wennington, Lawyer; and Allison Hill, Democratic Officer.

LA1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting.

LA2. MINUTES – Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Licensing Act 2003 Committee held on 15 December 2015.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be accepted as a correct record.

LA3. MINUTES – Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meetings of the Licensing Act 2003 Sub Committee held on 12 and 18 January, 9th March; 3, 13 and 18 May, 2016.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be accepted as a correct record.

LA4. THE LICENSING ACT 2003 (HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY LICENSING HOURS ORDER 2016) – The Director of Economic Growth submitted a report (previously circulated) to inform Members of the Licensing Act 2003 (her Majesty the Queen's Birthday Licensing Hours) Order which was passed on Thursday 5 May 2016.

It was reported that Section 172 of the Licensing Act 2003 provides that where the Secretary of State considers that a period 'the celebration period' marks an occasion of exceptional international, national or local significance he may make a licensing hours order to extend the hours of premises licences and club premises certificates during a specified relaxation period unless the premises are licensed for the period of such relaxation.

A consultation exercise was undertaken by The Home Office with partner agencies and as all organisations consulted responded 'yes' to the three questions, the relaxation will apply to all On Licensed Premises that are currently licensed until 11 p.m. and will extend the sale of alcohol for consumption On the premises for a further two hours until 01.00 a.m on 11th and 12th June respectively.

It was also reported that premises licensed for the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption Off the premises will not be entitled to extend the hours for sale or supply; similarly Late Night Refreshment can only be extended in those premises that are open for the sale of alcohol.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.