

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE HELD
REMOTELY VIA SKYPE ON THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2020**

MEMBERS

* Cllr D Brown - Chairman

* Cllr T R Holway - Vice-Chairman

∅ Cllr R Foss

* Cllr J M Hodgson

* Cllr K Kemp

∅ Cllr D W May

* Cllr G Pannell

* Cllr K Pringle

* Cllr H Reeve

* Cllr R Rowe

∅ Cllr P C Smerdon

∅ Cllr D Thomas

* Denotes attendance

∅ Denotes apology for absence

Officers in attendance and participating:

Licensing Specialist; Deputy Monitoring Officer; and Democratic Services Manager

L.01/20 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 30 January 2020 and the Licensing Sub-Committee held on 12 August 2020 were both confirmed as a true and correct record.

L.02/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any interests in the items of business to be considered during the course of the meeting and these were recorded as follows:

Cllr G Pannell declared a personal interest in agenda item 5: '*Review of Statement of Licensing Policy for 2021-2026*' (Minute L.03/20 below refers) by virtue of his wife being a licensee for a local Village Hall and remained in the meeting and took part in the debate and vote thereon.

L.03/20 REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY FOR 2021 – 2026

Consideration was given to a report that sought to recommend to the Council that the draft Licensing Policy be adopted.

In discussion, reference was made to:-

(a) some minor grammatical errors. It was agreed that a Member who had noticed some minor grammatical errors within the draft Policy would liaise with the report author and ensure that these were included prior to it being presented to Council for adoption;

- (b) the representations received during the public consultation exercise. On behalf of the Committee, the Chairman thanked those members of the public and local stakeholders who had taken the time to make representations during the public consultation exercise. In particular, the Committee hoped that a satisfactory resolution could be reached to the response received from the representative of Totnes Cinema;
- (c) the robustness of the draft Policy. The Committee wished to put on record its thanks to the lead officer for her work in producing the draft Policy. In addition, a Member advised that she had attended a recent Licensing training event and felt that the draft Policy was a robust document that would help both Members and officers.

It was then:

RESOLVED

That the Committee:

1. has considered the draft Licensing Policy (as detailed at Appendix A of the presented agenda report) and responses received during the public consultation exercise; and
2. **RECOMMEND** to Council that the draft Licensing Policy (as detailed at Appendix A of the presented agenda report) be adopted for the period from 7 January 2021 to 6 January 2026, subject to inclusion of the minor grammatical amendments (as set out at discussion point (a) above).

L.04/20

SUMMARY OF NEW / VARIATION APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR PREMISES LICENCES AND CLUB PREMISES CERTIFICATES BETWEEN 1 OCTOBER 2019 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

Members were presented with a paper that provided them with a summary of the licences that had been issued between 1 October 2019 and 30 September 2020.

It was then:

RESOLVED

That the summary of licences issued between 1 October 2019 and 30 September 2020 be noted.

(Meeting commenced at 10.05am and concluded at 10.30am).

Chairman

