

LICENSING COMMITTEE

NOTICE AND AGENDA

For a meeting to be held in the Penn Chamber, Three Rivers House, Northway, Rickmansworth on Wednesday, 12 June 2024 at 7.30 pm.

Members of the Committee:-

Councillors:

Harry Davies (Chair)
Stephen Cox
Raj Khuroya
Sarah Nelmes
Ciaran Reed
Rue Grewal

Tony Humphreys (Vice-Chair)
Andrea Fraser
Andrew Scarth
David Major
Narinder Sian

*Joanne Wagstaffe, Chief Executive
Wednesday, 5 June 2024*

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public on agenda items at the Licensing Committee meetings. Details of the procedure are provided below:

For those wishing to speak:

Members of the public are entitled to register and identify which item(s) they wish to speak on from the published agenda for the meeting. Those who wish to register to speak are asked to register on the night of the meeting from 7pm. Please note that contributions will be limited to one person speaking for and one against each item for not more than three minutes.

In the event of registering your interest to speak on an agenda item but not taking up that right because the item is deferred, you will be given the right to speak on that item at the next meeting of the Committee.

Those wishing to observe the meeting are requested to arrive from 7pm.

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

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- 6)

To confirm, as being a correct record, the minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on 14 June 2023.

3. URGENT BUSINESS

Items of other business notified under Council Procedure Rule 30 to be announced, together with the special circumstances that justify their consideration as a matter of urgency. The Chair to rule on the admission of such items.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest.

5. REVIEW OF GAMBLING POLICY ‘STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES 2025 TO 2028’

(Pages 7
- 140)

The review of the ‘Statement of Gambling Principles and Policy (hereafter referred to as “the Policy”) is required at least every 3 years, as set out within Section 349 of The Gambling Act 2005 (“the Act”).

Recommendation

It is recommended that Members agree to Option 1:

- I. Consider the revised Policy found at Appendix B (this is a tracked document highlighting the amendments made to the current policy).
- II. Consider whether to include a proposed ‘No Casino Resolution’ as part of the Policy consultation and seek wider opinion on the granting of such a resolution.
- III. Commence a six-week public consultation process on the revised Policy and any potential ‘No Casino Resolution’.
- IV. Any response(s) to be circulated to all members of the committee with an officer response. The Head of Regulatory Services, in conjunction with the Lead Member, will then use her discretion following any response(s) received to conclude whether the amended Policy attached to this report can be adopted by Full Council or return to a future Licensing Committee.
- V. Consider adding a further review of the Policy to the Licensing Committee work programme in early 2025, subject to guidance/legislation changes

6. WORK PROGRAMME

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To agree the work programme.

7. OTHER BUSINESS - If approved under item 3 above

8. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

If the Committee wishes to consider the remaining item in private, it will be appropriate for a resolution to be passed in the following terms:-

“that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972

the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under paragraph X of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act. It has been decided by the Council that in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.”

(Note: If other confidential business is approved under item 3, it will also be necessary to specify the class of exempt or confidential information in the additional items.)

General Enquiries: Please contact the Committee Team at committeeteam@threerivers.gov.uk