LICENSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION COMMITTEE

MEETING, 12TH MARCH, 2019

Present – Councillors Murray (Chairman), Haworth (Vice-Chairman), Bagnall, Byrne (as deputy for Councillor McKeon), Donaghy, Mrs. Fairclough, Gibbon, Gillies, Khurram, Kirk-Robinson (as deputy for Councillor Greenhalgh), Morris, Radcliffe (as deputy for Councillor Haslam), Sanders and P. Wild.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Haslam, Greenhalgh and McKeon.

Councillor Murray in the Chair.

51. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of meetings held on 5th and 21st February, 2019 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

52. MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (TRAFFIC MATTERS)

The minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee (Traffic Matters) held on 31st January, 2019 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

53. MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (SENSITIVE CASES)

The minutes of meetings of the Licensing Sub-Committee (Sensitive Cases) held on 12th and 19th February, 2019 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

Licensing and Environmental Regulation Committee (Acting as Licensing Act, 2003 Committee for the following item)

Present – Councillors Murray (Chairman), Haworth (Vice-Chairman), Bagnall, Byrne (as deputy for Councillor McKeon), Donaghy, Mrs. Fairclough, Gibbon, Gillies, Khurram, Kirk-Robinson (as deputy for Councillor Greenhalgh), Morris, Radcliffe (as deputy for Councillor Haslam), Sanders and P. Wild.

54. THE GAMBLING POLICY

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out details of a review which had been undertaken regarding the Statement of Principles under the Gambling Act, 2005.

The report explained that the Council was required by statue to review and publish its Gambling Act, 2005 Statement of principles every three years. The most recent Statement of Principles was published in 2016.

The report also set out details of the consultation exercise which had been undertaken.

It was moved by Councillor Morris and Seconded by Councillor Donaghy that Council be asked to approve the draft Statement of Principles and replace the current Bolton Council's Gambling Act, 2005 Statement of Principles.

For the Motion, Viz -

Councillors Khurram, Donaghy, Haworth, Gillies, Byrne, Murray, Morris, Mrs. Fairclough, Kirk-Robinson, Radcliffe, P. Wild, Bagnall, Gibbon and Sanders.

Against the Motion, Viz - 0

Abstain, Viz - 0

Whereupon the motion was declared carried.

55. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved – That, under Section (100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraph 3 (financial and business affairs) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act; and that it be deemed that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in its exemption outweighs the public interest in its disclosure.

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Present – Councillors Murray (Chairman), Haworth (Vice-Chairman), Bagnall, Byrne (as deputy for Councillor McKeon), Donaghy, Mrs. Fairclough, Gibbon, Gillies, Khurram, Kirk-Robinson (as deputy for Councillor Greenhalgh), Morris, Radcliffe (as deputy for Councillor Haslam), Sanders and P. Wild.

56. APPLICATION FOR AN UNLICENSED FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE GAMING MACHINE PERMIT LER/9/19

The Director of Place submitted a report which gave details of an application which had been received in relation to a new unlicensed family entertainment centre gaming machine permit.

The report outlined full details of the application.

The applicant and his represented attended the meeting and provided verbal evidence.

The Committee also heard information from the Licensing Officer.

It was moved by Councillor Haworth and Seconded by Councillor Kirk-Robinson that the UFEC Gaming Machine Permit be granted.

For the Motion, Viz –

Councillors Khurram, Donaghy, Haworth, Gillies, Byrne, Murray, Morris, Mrs. Fairclough, Kirk-Robinson, Radcliffe, P. Wild, Bagnall, Gibbon and Sanders. Against the Motion, Viz - 0

Abstain, Viz - 0

Whereupon the motion was declared carried.

57. APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE TO DRIVE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES LER/10/19

The Director of Place submitted a report which gave details of an application which had been received for a licence to drive private hire vehicles which the applicant had previous convictions.

The report outlined the full details of the misconduct matters by the applicant.

The applicant attended the meeting and provided verbal evidence.

It was moved by Councillor Kirk-Robinson and Seconded by Councillor Gillies that the licence be granted, subject to the standard conditions as detailed in the report.

For the Motion, Viz -

Councillors Khurram, Donaghy, Haworth, Gillies, Byrne, Murray, Morris, Mrs. Fairclough, Kirk-Robinson, Radcliffe, P. Wild, Bagnall and Sanders.

Against the Motion, Viz – Councillor Gibbon

Abstain, Viz - 0

Whereupon the motion was declared carried.

58. APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE TO DRIVE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES LER/11/19

The Director of Place submitted a report which gave details of an application which had been received for a licence to drive private hire vehicles which the applicant had previous convictions.

The report outlined the full details of the misconduct matters by the applicant.

The applicant and his solicitor attended the meeting and provided verbal evidence.

It was moved by Councillor Kirk-Robinson and Seconded by Councillor Bagnall that the licence be granted, subject to the standard conditions as detailed in the report.

For the Motion, Viz -

Councillors Khurram, Donaghy, Haworth, Gillies, Byrne, Murray, Morris, Mrs. Fairclough, Kirk-Robinson, Radcliffe, P. Wild, Bagnall, Gibbon and Sanders.

Against the Motion, Viz - 0

Abstain, Viz - 0

Whereupon the motion was declared carried.

(The meeting started at 2.00pm and finished at 4.30pm)