

LICENSING COMMITTEE

29 January 2021 at 9.30 am

Present: Councillors B Blanchard-Cooper (Chairman), Brooks (Vice-Chair), Buckland, Mrs Catterson, Charles, Clayden, Goodheart, Mrs Gregory, Kelly, Mrs Madeley, Northeast and Oliver-Redgate

Apologies: Councillors Mrs Cooper

442. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

443. MINUTES

*[Councillor Goodheart arrived during this item]*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 24 January 2020 were approved.

444. MINUTES OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE - 24 JANUARY 2020, 24 FEBRUARY 2020, 26 JUNE 2020 AND 5 AUGUST 2020

The minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee meetings held on 24 January 2020, 24 February 2020, 26 June 2020 and 5 August 2020 were received and noted by the Committee.

445. LICENSING FEE SETTING

*[Councillor Oliver-Redgate joined the meeting during the introduction of this item]*

The Chairman thanked the Licensing Manager and her team for their hard work over the last year in managing an enormous amount of change in legislation during the pandemic.

The Committee received a report from the Licensing Manager which set out the proposed licence fees structure for specified licensing regimes to take effect on 1 April 2021. She provided an explanation as to how the figures had been arrived at and emphasised that the Council sought only to recover its costs rather than achieving a surplus. She confirmed that the fees would be reviewed on a regular basis.

In considering the matter and, following a brief discussion where members sought and received clarification on a number of points, the Committee.

RESOLVED

Subject to approval at the next Licensing Committee meeting

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That the licensing fees as set out in Appendix 1 be agreed

The Licensing Manager then provided members with a brief update on other areas of business that she and the team had been focused on throughout the pandemic.

(The meeting concluded at 10.08 am)