

LICENSING COMMITTEE

24 January 2020 at 9.30 am

Present: Councillors B Blanchard-Cooper (Chairman), Brooks (Vice-Chair), Bennett, C Blanchard-Cooper, Mrs Catterson, Charles, Mrs Cooper, Coster (substituting for Councillor Goodheart), Kelly, Lury and Mrs Worne

401. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Clayden and Goodheart.

402. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

403. MINUTES

The Minutes for the meeting held on 20 September 2019 were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

404. MINUTES OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE - 26 JULY 2019 AND 28 JUNE 2019

The Committee received and noted the Minutes of the meetings of the Licensing Subcommittee held on 26 July and 28 June 2019.

405. LICENSING FEE SETTING

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 2020. 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. The fees would be reviewed on a regular basis as it was likely that further changes to processes would continue over the next few years as ways of working more efficiently were brought forward.

In considering the matter, Members also took account of the Council's Tax Policy and, following a brief discussion whereby Members sought and received clarification on a number of points, the Committee

RESOLVED

That the fees be set as proposed by officers and which had been calculated in accordance with the requirements of each regime and principles of cost recovery laid out in guidance.

Subject to approval at the next Licensing Committee meeting

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(The meeting concluded at 9.50 am)