

LICENSING COMMITTEE

28 September 2018 at 9.30 a.m.

Present : Councillors Cooper (Chairman), Wheal (Vice-Chairman), Mrs Bower, Cates, Clayden, Mrs Daniells, Dillon, Hitchins, Mrs Oakley, Purchase and Warren.

191. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Buckland, Edwards and Oliver-Redgate.

192. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

193. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings held on 29 September 2017 and 23 March 2018 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

194. NEW ANIMAL LICENSING REGIME FEES

The Chairman agreed that this item could be considered as a matter of urgency as the Council had only received the published guidance from the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) on the new regulations in August 2018, which had left very limited time for officers to prepare a fee structure to present to Members for approval.

The Licensing Manager presented this report which summarised the requirements of the new Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals)(England) Regulations 2018 which would come into effect on 1 October 2018. Members were advised that the scope of work to be undertaken by the authority in connection with the new regulations would increase significantly. Any fees set must be on a cost recovery basis and officers had calculated the application processing and inspection costs as set out in the fee schedule included in the report.

Members participated in some discussion on the matter and questions put were answered at the meeting.

Following consideration, the Committee

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RESOLVED

That the fees calculated on a cost recovery basis as set out in the report, be approved.

195. GAMBLING ACT 2005 STATEMENT OF LICENSING PRINCIPLES – POLICY REVIEW

The Licensing Officer presented this report and advised the Committee that the Statement of Gambling Licensing Principles 2017 was required to be amended due to the recent introduction of the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), together with minor changes to the Local Risk Assessments in Part B of the document. A consultation exercise had been undertaken and there had been no representations received. As the Statement of Licensing Principles was required to be reviewed every three years and the last review had been done only 18 months ago, it was proposed that the new Statement would run from January 2019 for three years.

Following a brief discussion, the Committee

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL

That the Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Principles 2019-2022 be adopted.

(The meeting concluded at 10.06 a.m.)