GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE4 JULY 2013

Present: Councillor Jackson (Chair)

Councillors Atwal, Harwood, Keith, J Khan, S Khan, Redfern, Roberts, Skelton,

Whitby, F Winter and L Winter

01/13 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Barker, Poulter and Sandhu

02/13 Late Items to be introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

03/13 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

04/13 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2013 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

05/12 General Licensing Administration and Enforcement Activities 2012/13 – Quarter 4

The Committee considered a report which provided information on the activities the licensing service had undertaken during quarter 4 of the 2012/13 financial year.

Resolved to note the report.

06/13 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Resolved to exclude the press and public during consideration of the following item under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

07/13 Repayment of Sex Shop Licence Fees

The Committee considered a report which stated that at its meeting on 21 February 2013 the Committee received information from officers concerning a court case where some local authorities had been successfully challenged over excessive licence fees. Since that report was considered, one of the two existing sex shop licence holders had been in contact, requesting a refund and inviting the Council to do so voluntarily in lieu of formal proceedings through the court. The report set out proposals to reimburse the fees that were overpaid in Derby.

Resolved

- 1. To approve the repayment of sex shops fees as set out in Repayment Option 1 column of appendix 3 of the report.
- 2. To instruct the Strategic Director of Resources to allocate the budget for the repayment of the fees set out in appendix 3 of the report from central funds.

MINUTES END