

Time commenced – 6.00pm
Time finished – 6.37pm

**GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE
14 OCTOBER 2009**

Present: Councillor Redfern (Chair)
Councillors Baxter, Berry, Hird, Hussain, Jackson, Leeming,
Poulter, Richards, Skelton, Tuplin and Williams

07/09 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Rawson, Williams and Winter.

08/09 Late items introduced by the Chair

In accordance with Section 100(B)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Chair agreed to admit the following item(s) on the grounds that advice was required from the Committee before the next scheduled meeting:

- Item – Summary / Briefing on Consultation document for Lap Dancing

The Committee considered a briefing note from the Director of Environmental Services on the Policing and Crime Bill which was due to change the way that lap dancing clubs were licensed. It was reported that the Home Office had produced a consultation document for local authorities on the transitional arrangements for the Regulation of Lap Dancing Clubs.

Members noted that as this stage of the process was to agree the consultation process, the Chair and the Assistant Director of Environmental Health and Trading Standards would respond to the document and circulate the response to the Committee.

Resolved:

- 1. To note the report;**
- 2. To authorise the Chair and the Assistant Director of Environmental Health and Trading Standards to respond to the Home Office.**

09/09 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

10/09 Confirmation of the minutes of the General Licensing Committee held on 22 July 2009

The minutes of the meetings held on 22 July were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

11/09 Gambling Act Statement of Principles Consultation

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director of Environmental Services on the Gambling Act Statement of Principals Consultation. It was reported that as part of the consultation process 232 letter, 17 posters and 60 information packs were send out to the consultees. Members noted that there were 3 responses received, 2 of which were from Responsible Authorities (Derbyshire Fire and Rescue and Planning Control) and one from an existing license holder. All responses received were in support of the revised Statement of Principles.

Members were disappointed with the response rate from the consultees, particularly of those within the Council. It was reported that the Licensing department regularly held meeting with all the Responsible Authorities and that the concerns noted would be raised.

Resolved:

- 1. To note the information contained in the report regarding the Gambling Act 2005 - Revised Statement of Principles;**
- 2. To recommend Council to adopt of the Revised Statement of Principles.**

12/09 Derby and Derbyshire Licensing Protocol

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director of Environmental Services on the Derby and Derbyshire Licensing Protocol. It was reported that the protocol was previously considered by the Committee on 22 July 2009 at which clarification had been sought on various points. It was noted that Members were now happy with the clarifications received.

Resolved:

- 1. To note the information contained in the report regarding the adoption of a formalised agreement/protocol between all relevant licensing authorities in Derby and Derbyshire.**

- 2. To recommend Council to adopt the Derby and Derbyshire Licensing protocol.**

13/09 Mobile Home Site Licence Conditions

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director of Environmental Services on Mobile Home Site Conditions. It was reported that the conditions had previously been considered by the Committee on 22 July 2009 but that Members had raised concerns about outstanding health and safety issues so a further consultation was deemed necessary. This consultation had now taken place with Derbyshire Fire and Rescue, Site Operators/Owners and the Residents Association.

Resolved

- 1. To note the amendments to the current caravan site licensing conditions that were applicable to permanent residential mobile caravan sites within the city as set out in the report;**
- 2. To recommend Council to adopt the Mobile Home Site Licence Conditions.**

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