

**Minutes of a meeting of Licensing Committee held on 16th March
2009 from 7.00 pm to 7.48 p.m.**

Present: Chris Hersey (Chairman)
Gary Marsh (Vice-Chairman)

Mrs. Margaret Baker
Clive Chapman*
Andrew Brock*
Ian Dixon*

Mrs Kathleen Dumbovic
Bernard Gillbard
Paddy Henry
Janice Henwood

Graham Knight*
Mrs. Jane Keel
Mrs. Jacqui Landriani
Peter Reed
Julian Thorpe*

* Absent

**18. SUBSTITUTES AT MEETINGS OF COMMITTEE – COUNCIL PROCEDURE
RULE 4**

The Sub-Committee noted that no substitutes had been notified in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4 – Substitutes at Meetings of Committees etc.

19. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Brock, Chapman, Dixon, Knight and Thorpe.

20. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No Declarations of Interest were made.

21. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 8th September 2009 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

22. CHANGE OF MEMBERSHIP

The Committee noted that Councillor Janice Henwood had replaced Councillor James Joyce-Nelson as a member of this Committee.

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Henwood to the meeting.

**23. CONSULTATION ON PROPOSAL BY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE TO EXEMPT
SMALL LIVE MUSIC EVENTS FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LICENSING
ACT 2003**

The Committee received a response to a consultation document by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport to allow regulated live music in venues for less than 100 people.

Paul Thornton, Senior Licensing Officer introduced the report and informed Members that the consultation contains 14 pre-prepared questions that officers from both the

Environmental Health Protection Team and Licensing have considered. Their findings are that unregulated live music would cause a public nuisance.

The Committee considered the draft response contained in Appendix 1 to the report.

RESOLVED

That Appendix 1 to the report be sent as this Council's response to the consultation.

24. MINUTES OF LIQUOR LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

The Committee noted the Minutes of the meeting of the Liquor Licensing Sub-Committees held on:-

- (a) 2nd November 2009;
- (b) 4th November 2009;
- (c) 11th November 2009;
- (d) 21st December 2009;
- (e) 3rd February 2010; and
- (f) 10th February 2010.

The Minutes of the meetings of these Sub-Committee's were approved as a correct record and signed by the various Chairmen of each particular meeting.

25. URGENT BUSINESS

[Note: The Chairman agreed to take the following two items as Urgent Business because of the need to keep members of the Committee informed].

Review of Licensing Hearings held between 1st April 2009 and 3rd March 2010

The Committee noted the Legal Advisors review of Licensing Hearings 1st April 2009 to 3rd March 2010. The Chairman suggested, and the Committee agreed that an item on Licensing Hearings be reported to each meeting of the Licensing Committee.

RESOLVED

That:-

- (1) the report be noted; and
- (2) a review of Licensing Hearings be reported to each meeting of the Licensing Committee.

Taxi Licensing Matters

The Committee received an oral report from the Senior Licensing Officer on a review of matters relating to taxi licensing. The Senior Licensing Officer also informed the Committee of future developments with regard to taxi licensing. The Chairman suggested, and the Committee agreed, that a report on Taxi Licensing matters be presented to each meeting of the Licensing Committee.

RESOLVED

That:-

- (1) the report be noted; and
- (2) a report on Taxi Licensing matters be presented to each meeting of the Licensing Committee.

Chairman.