

Notice of Meeting

Licensing Committee

Date: Thursday 18 August 2022

Time: 5.30 pm

Venue: The Annexe, Crosfield Hall, Broadwater Road, Romsey, Hampshire,

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The recommendations contained in the Agenda are made by the Officers and these recommendations may or may not be accepted by the Committee.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SCHEME

If members of the public wish to address the meeting they should notify the Legal and Democratic Service at the Council's Beech Hurst office by noon on the working day before the meeting.

Membership of Licensing Committee

WARD

Councillor G Bailey (Chairman) Blackwater

MEMBER

Councillor C Donnelly (Vice-Chairman) Andover Downlands

Councillor I Andersen Andover St Mary's

Councillor J Budzynski Andover St Mary's

Councillor T Burley Andover Harroway

Councillor N Daas Romsey Abbey

Councillor A Dowden Valley Park

Councillor D Drew Harewood

Councillor N Gwynne Romsey Cupernham

Councillor A Johnston Mid Test

Councillor L Lashbrook Charlton & the Pentons

Councillor P Lashbrook Bellinger

Councillor N Matthews Andover Romans

Councillor R Meyer Andover Winton

Councillor C Thom Valley Park

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AGENDA

The order of these items may change as a result of members of the public wishing to speak

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ITEM 7 Licensing Sub-Committee

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Recommended:

That the membership of the Licensing Sub-Committee be comprised of three members drawn from the Licensing Committee, subject to members having undergone appropriate training. Those members would be selected in strict alphabetical order, save when it transpires that a member has an interest as defined in the Members' Code of Conduct or the member was a member for or lives within the ward within which an application premises is situated. In the event of a member selected becoming unavailable to attend a hearing, then the Head of Legal and Democratic Services would select a replacement in accordance with the above arrangements. Where possible, those members would be selected on a basis that they will not all be from the same political party or group.

SUMMARY:

 Various matters relating to the Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005 are determined by the Licensing Sub-Committee established in 2005 and reappointed annually.

1 Background

- 1.1 At its January 2005 meeting (Minute 466 of 27 January refers) the Committee agreed to establish Licensing Sub-Committees comprising three members. As the Licensing Act was silent on a quorum all three members needed to be present. As a result it was also agreed;
 - (a) That a Sub-Committee be established comprising three members, and that the membership be drawn from a pool of members consisting of the membership of the Licensing Committee, subject to:
 - (i) as an alternative arrangement those members being selected on the basis of one Liberal Democrat and two other members, and;
 - (ii) those members be selected from the Licensing Committee membership list in strict alphabetical order save when it transpires that a member has an interest as defined in the Code of Conduct or the member is a member for or lives within the ward within which an application premises is situated then the next member on the list shall be selected, subject to their availability.

- (b) That the Chairman of the Sub-Committee be rotated amongst all members of the Licensing Committee.
- 1.2 At its meeting in April 2006 (Minute 583 of 20 April refers), the Licensing Committee approved revisions to these arrangements, whereby, in the event of a member selected becoming available, the Head of Administration (now Head of Legal and Democratic Services) be authorised to select a replacement in accordance with the existing arrangements and that the agenda for each Sub-Committee meeting should contain a note to this effect.
- 1.3 At its September 2013 meeting (Minute 126 of 19 September refers) the Committee re-considered Licensing Sub-Committee arrangements. Where possible members will be selected for a Licensing Sub-Committee on the basis of political proportionality.

2 Conclusion

2.1 The Licensing Committee is asked to re-appoint the membership of the Sub-Committee on the basis set out above.

Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)								
None								
Confidentiality								
It is considered that this report does not contain exempt information within the meaning of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, and can be made public.								
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(Portfolio: Democracy and Governance) Councillor I Jeffrey								
Officer:	Karen Dunn	Ext:	8401					
Report to:	Licensing Committee	Date:	18 August 2022					

ITEM 8 Scheme of Delegations to Officers

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Portfolio: Democracy and Governance)

Recommended:

That the Scheme of Delegations to Officers annexed to the report to Annual Council, in so far as it applies to the powers and duties of the Licensing Committee, be approved.

SUMMARY:

• The purpose of this report is to approve the Council's Scheme of Delegation and to incorporate it into the Council's Constitution.

1 Background

1.1 The Scheme of Delegations is approved each year in accordance with the Constitution by Annual Council. Regular updated approval of the Scheme of Delegations ensures the Council's decision-making is as robust as possible and operates as effectively as possible in accordance with legal requirements. Council Procedure Rules require that the annual meeting will approve the Scheme of Officer delegations at Part 3 of the Constitution.

2 Resource Implications

2.1 None

3 Issues

- 3.1 During the course of the year since the last Annual Council changes have occurred to the Scheme of Delegations and new delegations have been made as the need has arisen over time. These changes have been approved or reported to Council as required.
- 3.2 Amendments to the Scheme Delegations have been made by the Monitoring Officer in accordance with Article 14 of the Constitution as a result of the Council's new Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive and the combining of the Council's Finance and Revenues Services. Those amendments are have been incorporated into the Scheme in the Annex to the report to Annual Council.

Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)								
Scheme of Delegations to Officers annexed to the report to Annual Council of 18 May 2022								
Confidentiality								
It is considered that this report does not contain exempt information within the meaning of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, and can be made public.								
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