# LICENSING, HEALTH AND SAFETY AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 25 February 2015

<u>Present:</u> Councillor WJ Davies (Chair)

Councillors S Niblock M Sullivan

J Salter A Hodson

C Spriggs

Deputies: Councillors S Williams (In place of G Watt)

D Mitchell (In place of P Williams)

<u>Apologies</u>: Councillor L Fraser

## 19 MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the Committee were asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non pecuniary interests in connection with any application on the agenda and state the nature of the interest.

No such declarations were made.

#### 20 MINUTES

<u>Resolved</u> - That the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 28 January 2015 be approved.

# 21 CHANGE OF POLLING PLACE FOR POLLING DISTRICTS FB AND ND

The Head of Legal and Members Services and Monitoring Officer requested that Members' determine the designated polling place for polling districts FB and ND.

It was reported that polling places were kept constantly under review and that all designated polling places had been contacted to check availability in preparation for the forthcoming combined UK Parliamentary General Election and Local Government Elections.

## Pensby and Thingwall Ward

Polling District FB

Members were informed that the manager for Thingwall Methodist Church Hall, Seven Acres Lane, Thingwall, the designated polling place for polling district FB had initially advised that the venue was no longer available for future use due to its closure and that as a consequence two options had been identified as possible

alternatives after investigations had been carried out by Electoral Services, namely Thingwall Recreation Centre and Thingwall Primary School.

An update was received from the Electoral Services Manager advising that additional correspondence had since been received from Thingwall Methodist Church advising that the premises would now be available for the forthcoming elections and therefore the Electoral Services Manager further recommended that this be used as the designated polling place for the elections to be held in May 2015.

It was moved by Councillor A Hodson and seconded by Councillor J Salter that

"The polling place for polling district FB remains as Thingwall Methodist Church for the forthcoming elections in May 2015".

<u>Resolved</u> – That the polling place for polling district FB remains as Thingwall Methodist Church for the forthcoming elections in May 2015.

Hoylake and Meols Ward

Polling District ND

Members were informed that the manager for Westbourne Community Centre, Westbourne Road, West Kirby, the designated polling place for polling district ND, had advised that the venue would not be available for the forthcoming elections in May 2015 due to a block booking opportunity and that the proposal identified by Electoral Services was West Kirby Methodist Church Hall, Westbourne Road.

It was moved by Councillor S Niblock and seconded by Councillor J Salter that –

"The polling place for polling district ND be changed to West Kirby Methodist Church Hall for the forthcoming elections in May 2015 and that Westbourne Community Centre be re-designated as the polling place for polling district ND in the future."

Resolved – That the polling place for polling district ND be changed to West Kirby Methodist Church Hall for the forthcoming elections in May 2015 and that Westbourne Community Centre be re-designated as the polling place for polling district ND in the future.