

LICENSING, HEALTH AND SAFETY AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 18 March 2020

Present:

Councillor P Stuart (Chair)

Councillors

C Cooke
A Hodson
I Lewis

D Mitchell
L Rowlands

27 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.

28 MINUTES

Resolved – That the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2020 be approved.

29 MINUTES OF THE LICENSING PANEL

Resolved – That the accuracy of the minutes of the meetings of the Licensing Panel held on 15 December 2019, 13 December 2019, two meetings held on 20 December 2019, 24 January 2020, 31 January 2020 and 14 February 2020 be approved.

30 REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE OPERATOR LICENCE CONDITIONS

The Director of Governance and Assurance submitted a report for Members of the Committee to consider revised Private Hire Operator Conditions.

Members were informed that amendments to the conditions related particularly to the recording of complaints, staff employed by the Operator and booking records.

On a motion by the Chair and seconded by Councillor A Hodson it was –

Resolved - That consideration of this matter be deferred to a future date.

31 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR - DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The Chair accepted this matter as urgent business.

The Director of Governance and Assurance provided a verbal report requesting that in light of the current unprecedented circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 outbreak, delegated authority be granted to the Director of Governance and Assurance to undertake all functions within the Committee's terms of reference where deemed necessary and appropriate to do so until such time as emergency legislation is passed which would allow for meetings to be held and decisions to be taken remotely by Members.

On a motion by the Chair and seconded by Councillor D Mitchell it was –

Resolved – That delegated authority be granted to the Director of Governance and Assurance to undertake all functions within the Committee's terms of reference where it is deemed necessary and appropriate to do so until such time as emergency legislation is passed which will allow for meetings to be held and decisions to be taken remotely by Members.