

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Meeting: Tuesday, 11 July 2023 at 6.30 pm in Committee Room A, Town Hall, Buxton

Present: Councillor R Baker (Chair)

Councillors A Barrow (substitute for R McKeown), J Benzer, S Evans, P Hardy, I Huddleston, K Kirkham, P Roberts and G Scott

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S De Pee and R McKeown

24/1 TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST ON ANY MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

(Agenda Item 2)

There were no declarations made

24/2 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(Agenda Item 3)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 March 2023 be approved as a correct record.

24/3 ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

(Agenda Item 5)

The Committee considered a report which provided an update in relation to the enforcement activity undertaken within the Licensing Section.

In response to a query around small lotteries, members were advised that the number on any one day were restricted, and that the authority was also seeking to enforce this around house to house collections.

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

24/4 UPDATE AND FUTURE WORK ITEMS (VERBAL)

(Agenda Item 4)

The Head of Regulatory Services set out the upcoming work plan, which included:

- House to house collections – the consultation ends on 30 June, the policy will be reviewed with suggested updates at the next meeting of the Committee
- CCTV in Taxis Project – a data impact survey is to be undertaken together with a consultation with taxi drivers around CCTV in taxis, and engagement with the police to assess whether there is evidence

to warrant a mandatory system. If a mandatory system is introduced then the local authority will become the data controller. Previous reports and an update will be circulated to the committee, before another report will be submitted to a future meeting. Members urged caution with the introduction of a mandatory approach pending assessment of the evidence.

- The Street Trading Policy is to be reviewed around emissions – a consultation period will be undertaken and the results will be submitted to a future meeting of the committee.
- Intoxicated Campaign – work is continuing including the provision of bleep kits at particular premises. Additional resource to be recruited to undertake more enforcement activity. Further updates will be made in due course.

The following were requested to be added to the work programme:

- A review of busking
- a benchmark comparison of the costs of the street trading policy, to ensure that the authority is cost-effective and competitive.

RESOLVED:

That, subject to the above comments, the update be noted.

The meeting concluded at 6.54 pm

CHAIR