

GENERAL PURPOSES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE – 12 JUNE 2015

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Committee's terms of reference, can be found in Chapter 13, Annex 3 of the Council's Constitution and is set out below: -

1. To be the licensing committee established by the Council under section 6 of the Licensing Act 2003 and to discharge the licensing authority functions under that Act and the Gambling Act 2005.
2. To keep the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and Statement of Gambling Principles under review and recommend changes to the Executive and/or Council, as appropriate.
3. To provide regular reports to the Planning Development Control Committee and Overview and Scrutiny Panels, as appropriate, on the situation regarding licensed premises in the area, including the general impact of alcohol and gaming related crime and disorder.
4. To determine the procedure to be followed at hearings of the Licensing Sub-Committee.
5. To be responsible for all matters relating to the licensing and registration functions determined by the Council under Part B, and the functions relating to public rights of way determined by the Council under Part I of Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000.
6. Except in relation to the Council as an employer, to advise the Council on functions under any relevant statutory provision within the meaning of Part 1 (health, safety and welfare in connection with work and control of dangerous substances) of the Health and Safety at Work etc., Act 1974 under Part C of The Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000.
7. To advise the Council on all matters, including the appointment of appropriate Officers, relating to:-
 - a) electoral registration and elections
 - b) establishment, dissolution, grouping and any other matters relating to Parishes and Parish Councils
 - c) declarations of vacancy in certain offices
 - d) the name, status of areas and individuals
 - e) the making, amendment, revocation or re-enactment of byelaws
 - f) the promotion or opposition to local or personal Bills
 - g) Local Government pensions under Parts D,E,F,G and H of Schedule 1 to The Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000.7
8. To authorise the requisition of information as to interests in land in connection with the functions delegated to the Committee.
9. To respond, as consultee, on issues relating to sea fisheries.
10. Where appropriate, to advise the Council on appointments to Committees, Sub-Committees and Joint Committees.
11. To advise the Council on standing orders for meetings and other matters.
12. To advise the Council on the arrangements for the appointment of staff to discharge the Authority's functions properly.
13. To make recommendations to Council on estimates of income, fees and charges, expenditure and the budget required by the Committee to undertake its functions.
14. To vary the maximum hackney carriage fares applicable in the District.

15. Subject to compliance with any provisions within legislation and the Council's Constitution, to delegate any of the functions of the Committee to an officer of the Council.
16. To respond on behalf of the Council to consultation papers on matters falling under the specific terms of reference of the Committee.
17. To advise the Council on appointing staff and the terms and conditions on which employees hold office (including procedures for their dismissal).
18. To consider and make recommendations to the Council on any other matters not specifically set out in this Committee's, or any other Committee's, terms of reference that are not a function or responsibility of the Executive.