

LICENSING & GAMBLING ACTS COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing & Gambling Acts Committee of the Bolsover District Council held in the Council Chamber, The Arc, Clowne on Tuesday, 20 December 2022 at 10:15 hours.

PRESENT:-

Members:-

Councillor Ray Heffer in the Chair

Councillors: Maxine Dixon, Mary Dooley, Evonne Parkin and Rita Turner

Officers: Louise Arnold (Legal Team Manager (Deputy Monitoring Officer)), Charmaine Terry (Environmental Health Team Manager – Licensing) and Lindsay Harshaw (Governance & Civic Officer)

LGAC6-22/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Rose Bowler, Tricia Clough and Andrew Joesbury.

LGAC7-22/23 URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

There was no urgent business to be considered at the meeting.

LGAC8-22/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations made at the meeting.

LGAC9-22/23 MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Ray Heffer and seconded by Councillor Evonne Parkin
RESOLVED that the minutes of a Licensing & Gambling Acts Committee held on 9th June 2022 be approved as a true and correct record.

LGAC10-22/23 LICENSING ACT 2003 POLICY REVIEW

The Environmental Health Team Manager – Licensing, reported that the Council had a legal duty to publish a policy which needed to be renewed every five years. The next review would need to commence during the coming year in order to ensure that it could be implemented at the beginning of 2024. It was not envisaged that there

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would be many changes to the existing policy.

It was noted that the draft policy would be submitted to the Licensing & Gambling Acts Committee for consideration prior to going out for public consultation. The final policy would be submitted to Committee prior to being placed before Council for adoption.

Moved by Councillor Ray Heffer and seconded by Councillor Mary Dooley
RESOLVED that the verbal update be noted.

LGAC11-22/23 PREVENTION OF GAMBLING ADDICTIONS

The Chair reminded Members that the issue of gambling addictions had been discussed at the meeting of Council on 5th October 2022 (Minute No. CL56-22/23 refers), when it had been resolved to refer back to the Licensing & Gambling Acts Committee for further discussion.

A Member suggested that a letter be sent to the local Member of Parliament raising concerns at the amount of gambling advertisements on television. The Legal Team Manager (Deputy Monitoring Officer) commented that all gambling advertisements were closely monitored by the Gambling Commission.

Moved by Councillor Mary Dooley and seconded by Councillor Evonne Parkin
RESOLVED that a letter be sent to the Leader of the Council in support of an approach to the Gambling Commission/Member of Parliament raising concerns at the amount of gambling advertisements on television.

The Chair wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and closed the meeting.

The meeting concluded at 10:37 hours.