

LICENSING COMMITTEE

30 OCTOBER 2012

Present: County Councillor Morgan (Chairperson);
County Councillors Burfoot, Goddard, Hudson,
Kelloway, Marshall, McGarry, Murphy, Simmons and
Benjamin Thomas

L7 : MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 July 2012 were approved by the Committee as a correct record and were signed by the Chairperson.

L8 : REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF GAMBLING LICENSING POLICY

The Gambling Act 2005 requires that the authority publishes a Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy setting out the principles by which the authority proposes to apply in exercising its functions under the Act. The Statement must be determined for a 3 year period. The current Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy was adopted and published in January 2010. The Committee received a report and were asked to approve an amended Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy following a review of the policy. The amended policy was appended to the report.

The Head of Regulatory and Supporting Services advised that during the consultation period comments were received from the Campaign for Fair Gambling. The representations received were appended to the report.

Members were advised that the amended Statement reflected best practice and was drafted in accordance with the guidance provided to local authorities by the Gambling Commission.

RESOLVED – That the Committee endorse the amended Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy and approve it for ratification by the Council.

L9 : LIVE MUSIC ACT 2012

The Committee received an information report on the Live Music Act 2012. The Act received Royal Assent on 8 March 2012 and came into force on 1 October 2012.

The Live Music Act 2012 is intended to promote the provision of live music by amending the Licensing Act 2003 to provide an exemption to the licensing regulations in respect of the performance of live music as smaller venues. Members received details of the main licensing changes brought about by the Live Music Act 2012, details of which were set out in the report.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

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Chairperson