

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Terms of Reference

1. To exercise the Council's licensing functions under the Licensing Act 2003 with the exception of any function conferred on the Council under Section 5 of the Act (statement of licensing policy).
2. In respect of each 5 year period, in consultation with the Executive, to formulate or prepare for approval by the Council its policy with respect to the exercise of its licensing functions under the Licensing Act 2003.
3. To keep the policy with respect to the exercise of its licensing functions under the Licensing Act 2003 under review and recommend any revisions to the policy to the Council.
4. To exercise the Council's licensing functions under the Gambling Act 2005 with the exception of any function conferred on the Council under Section 349 of the Act (statement of licensing policy).
5. To exercise powers in relation to the following functions as specified in Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000:
 - (i) all licensing and registration functions except those relating to town and country planning and the regulation of the use of the highway;
 - (ii) functions under any 'relevant statutory provision' within the meaning of Part I of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, to the extent that those functions are discharged otherwise than in the Council's capacity as employer; and
 - (iii) associated functions under any local Act.
6. To establish one or more Sub-Committees under Section 10(1) of the Licensing Act 2003 and Section 154 of the Gambling Act 2005 consisting of three members of the Licensing Committee for the discharge of functions exercisable by the Committee under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005. The functions to be exercised by the Sub-Committees include the functions set out at Appendix 1 and Appendix 2. Licensing Act and Gambling Act Sub-Committees shall be chaired in accordance with the protocol set out at Appendix 3.
7. To establish a Safety at Sports' Grounds Sub-Committee consisting of three Members of Council to oversee the exercise of the Council's functions in relation to safety at sports' grounds.

8. To establish a Public Protection Sub-Committee for the discharge of all other licensing, registration and regulatory functions within the terms of reference of the Licensing Committee not covered by the sub-committees in paragraphs 6 and 7 above. That in establishing a Public Protection Sub-Committee this is to be a Sub-Committee of 9 Members (5:4:0) with up to 5 substitute Members for the Sub-Committee Members being allowed (3:2:0). The substitute Members for the Sub-Committee can only be nominated from the membership of the Licensing Committee.

Delegation

In exercising the power and duties assigned to them in their terms of reference, the Licensing Committee shall have delegated power to resolve and to act on behalf of and in the name of the Council.

Appendix 1 to the Licensing Committee's Terms of Reference

Delegated Functions Licensing Act

TABLE OF DELEGATED FUNCTIONS

Matter to be dealt with	Full Committee	Sub Committee	Officers
Application for personal licence		If a police objection is made	If no objection is made
Application for personal licence with unspent convictions		All Cases	
Application for premises licence/club premises certificate		If a relevant representation is made	If no relevant representation is made
Application for provisional statement		If a relevant representation is made	If no relevant representation is made
Application to vary premises licence/club premises certificate		If a relevant representation is made	If no relevant representation is made
Application for minor variation			All cases
Application to vary designated premises supervisor		If a police objection is made	All other cases
Request to be removed as designated premises supervisor			All cases
Application for transfer of premises licence		If a police objection is made	All other cases
Application for interim authorities		If a police objection is made	All other cases
Application to review premises licence/club premises certificate		All cases	
Decision to Serve Counter Notice to Temporary Event Notice where permitted limits have been exceeded			All cases
Application for Temporary Event Notice		If a police objection is made	All other cases

Appendix 2 to the Licensing Committee's Terms of Reference

Delegated Functions Gambling Act

TABLE OF DELEGATED FUNCTIONS

Matter to be dealt with	Full Council	Sub-Committee of Licensing Committee	Officers
Final approval of three year licensing policy	X		
Policy not to permit casinos	X		
Fee setting (when appropriate)			X
Application for premises licences		Where representations have been received and not withdrawn	Where no representations received/representations have been withdrawn
Application for a variation to a licence		Where representations have been received and not withdrawn	Where no representations received/representations have been withdrawn
Application for a transfer of a licence		Where representations have been received from the Commission	Where no representations received from the Commission
Application for a provisional statement		Where representations have been received and not withdrawn	Where no representations received/representations have been withdrawn
Review of a premises licence		X	
Application for club gaming/club machine permits		Where objections have been made (and not withdrawn)	Where no objections made/objections have been withdrawn
Cancellation of club gaming/club machine permits		X	
Application for other permits			X
Cancellation of licensed premises gaming machine permits			X
Consideration of temporary use notice			X
Decision to give a counter notice to a temporary use notice		X	

Appendix 3 to the Licensing Committee's Terms of Reference

List of proposed Chairmen

Name	Order of Priority
Chairman of Licensing Committee	1
Vice-Chairman of Licensing Committee	2
Opposition Spokesperson for Licensing Committee	3
Member of Licensing Committee	4
Member of Licensing Committee	5

Note: the order of priority is applicable when more than one chairman is a member of the same Sub-Committee.