

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Thursday, 2nd September 2010 at 9.30 am in the Reception Suite, Civic Offices, Telford

PRESENT: R.Aveley (Chairman), R.G.Chaplin, R.E.Groom, Y.C.Hicks, A.A.Mackenzie, C.N.Mason, C.P.R.Mollett, C.F.Smith and A.G.P.Williams.

LC-13 MINUTES

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on the 30th June 2010 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

LC-14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors R.T.Kiernan (Vice-Chairman), J.A.Francis, T.J.Hope, G.P.Hossell and H.Rhodes.

LC-15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

LC-16 COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW – HADLEY & LEEGOMERY PARISH WARD OF THE PARISH OF HADLEY & LEEGOMERY – PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL PROPOSALS DOCUMENT

The report of the Head of Governance was received which sought Members approval of the Final Proposal document that had been prepared following the completion of the Review. Members were informed that the document incorporated the final proposals that had been approved and adopted at the meeting of the Licensing Committee that was held on the 30th June 2010.

It was confirmed to Members that no significant or new responses had been received since the 30th June 2010. It was further reported that the only substantive correspondence was a letter from Hadley & Leegomery Parish Council dated 7th July 2010 which confirmed the Parish Council's approval of the final proposals.

The report recommended that the Committee should adopt and publish the Final Proposals document. The proposals were that the present Hadley and Leegomery Parish Ward be divided into three parish wards – the Hadley Castle, Hadley Manor and Leegomery parish wards – for the purposes of elections to the parish council; that the ward boundaries be as outlined in the map in the List of Annexes Map 1 to the proposals document; that there should be four councillors for each of the new parish wards, and that the commencement for these new arrangements would be the next ordinary elections of parish councillors in the Borough. It was confirmed that Publication of the Final Proposals document completed the Review, and that following confirmation and approval of the Final Proposals document the Committee would be invited to publish the Final Recommendations at its meeting to be held on 29th September 2010.

RESOLVED – that the adoption and publication of the Final Proposals Document for the Parish of Hadley & Leegomery be approved.

LC-17 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED – that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it may involve the likely disclosure of information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972.

LC-18 MR.I.A. – REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER LICENCE

The Committee were informed that the licensee was not in attendance and received confirmation from the Council's Public Protection Team Leader and the Democratic Services Officer of the correspondence that had been submitted to the licensee prior to the hearing. After receiving the legal advice of the Council's legal adviser and following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED – that the private hearing should proceed in the absence of the licensee.

After hearing the evidence presented by the Council's Public Protection Team Leader and her witnesses in accordance with the hearings procedure and following consideration and discussion by the Committee, it was

RESOLVED – that the Committee considered that they were satisfied that the licensee did not remain a fit and proper person to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle Driver and that accordingly his license should be revoked with immediate effect.

The meeting ended at 1.05 pm.

Chairman:

Date: