South Somerset District Council Notice of Meeting



Licensing Sub Committee

Making a difference where it counts

Thursday 17th March 2016

10.00 am

Main Committee Room **Council Offices Brympton Way** Yeovil **BA20 2HT**

(disabled access and a hearing loop are available at this meeting venue)



Members listed on the following page are requested to attend the meeting.

If you would like any further information on the items to be discussed, please ring the Agenda Co-ordinator, Kelly Wheeler, Democratic Services Officer website: www.southsomerset.gov.uk

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Ian Clarke, Assistant Director (Legal & Corporate Services)

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Licensing Sub Committee Membership

Val Keitch

Linda Vijeh

Martin Wale (Chairman)

South Somerset District Council – Council Plan

Our focuses are: (all equal)

- Jobs We want a strong economy which has low unemployment and thriving businesses
- Environment We want an attractive environment to live in with increased recycling and lower energy use
- Homes We want decent housing for our residents that matches their income
- Health and Communities We want communities that are healthy, self-reliant and have individuals who are willing to help each other

Members Questions on reports prior to the Meeting

Members of the Committee are requested to contact report authors on points of clarification prior to the Committee meeting.

Information for the Public

The Statutory Licensing Committee has responsibility for all activities under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005 except for policies and fees. Established under the Licensing Act 2003, It exercises the functions of the Licensing Authority which itself is the Council.

The Other Licensing Committee can be responsible for all other licensing matters. Established by the Council under discretionary power contained in section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972.

It is lawful for the membership of the two committees to be the same, but they are differently constituted and run under different powers.

Meetings of the Licensing Sub Committee are held as required in the Council Offices, Brympton Way.

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Preliminary Items

1. Declarations of Interests

In accordance with the Council's current Code of Conduct (adopted July 2012), which includes all the provisions relating to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), personal and prejudicial interests, Members are asked to declare any DPI and also any personal interests (and whether or not such personal interests are also "prejudicial") in relation to any matter on the Agenda for this meeting. A DPI is defined in The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012 No. 1464) and Appendix 3 of the Council's Code of Conduct. A personal interest is defined in paragraph 2.8 of the Code and a prejudicial interest is defined in paragraph 2.9. In the interests of complete transparency, Members of the County Council, who are not also members of this committee, are encouraged to declare any interests they may have in any matters being discussed even though they may not be under any obligation to do so under any relevant code of conduct.

2. Agreed procedure to be followed when considering Taxi Licence Reviews

At the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 3rd August 2004 the following procedure was agreed:

- 1. Officer to introduce the case and give background to include hearing from any witnesses.
- 2. Officer and any witnesses to answer any questions either from the Committee or the Applicant.
- 3. The Applicant or a representative to address the Committee and call any witnesses.
- 4. The Committee or the Officer to ask any questions of the Applicant or their representative, and any witnesses.
- 5. The Officer and then the Applicant to be given an opportunity to make any concluding statements.
- 6. The Officer and the Applicant to leave the room to allow the Committee to reach a decision.
- 7. The Officer and the Applicant to be recalled to be informed of the decision.

The Committee can either grant the licence or refuse to grant the licence and give reasons for its decision.

3. Exclusion of the Press and Public (Page 5)

4. Renewal of a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence (Confidential) (Pages 6 - 24)

Agenda Item 3

Exclusion of the Press and Public

The Committee is asked to agree that the following item (agenda item 3) be considered in Closed Session by virtue of the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A under paragraph 1: "Information relating to any individual for, or recipient or form recipient of any service provided by the authority." It is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption from the Access to Information Rules outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.



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