

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
LICENSING COMMITTEE
Committee Room 3B - Town Hall
10 November 2015 (6.00 - 6.30 pm)**

Present:

COUNCILLORS

Conservative Group	Frederick Thompson (Vice-Chair) and Linda Trew (Vice-Chair)
Residents' Group	Reg Whitney and John Wood
UKIP Group	Phil Martin
East Havering Residents' Group	Linda Van den Hende (Chairman)

Apologies were received for the absence of Councillors Robert Benham, Wendy Brice-Thompson, Philippa Crowder, Jody Ganly and Keith Roberts.

All decisions were taken with no votes against.

The Chairman reminded Members of the action to be taken in an emergency.

32 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2015 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

33 HAVERING STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY FOR THE LICENSING ACT 2003

The Committee considered a report that sought approval that the draft Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003 be recommended to full Council.

The Committee noted that the Statement of Licensing Policy was reviewed every five years and a new one would need to be in place by January 2016.

The Committee further noted that the Council had undertaken statutory consultation between June and August 2015. The consultation had been carried out mainly via the internet. All of the statutory consultees were

consulted directly and information about the consultation was disseminated widely using the Licensing Matters e-mail bulletin, Business Briefing e-mail bulletin, a press release in the Romford Recorder, the Havering website and material sent to all local GP surgeries.

The consultation responses had been considered and a final draft version of the policy had been produced.

The Committee also noted the positive input of the joint Topic Group of the Towns and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee in developing the draft consultation document.

Members commended the Licensing and Health and Safety Divisional Manager and her team for the thorough exercise undertaken on the policy document.

The Committee **RESOLVED**:

To recommend that the revised Statement of Licensing Policy be submitted to full Council for approval.

34 **HAVERING STATEMENT OF GAMBLING POLICY FOR THE GAMBLING ACT 2005**

The Committee considered a report that sought approval that the revised Statement of Gambling Policy under the Gambling Act 2005 be recommended to full Council.

The Committee **RESOLVED** without debate:

To recommend that the revised Statement of Gambling Policy be submitted to full Council for approval.

Chairman