

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
LICENSING COMMITTEE
Committee Room 3A - Town Hall
5 September 2019 (8.00 - 9.10 pm)**

Present:

COUNCILLORS

Conservative Group Philippa Crowder (Chairman), Christine Smith (Vice-Chair), Christine Vickery (Vice-Chair) and Nisha Patel

Residents' Group Reg Whitney

Labour Group Carole Beth

Apologies were received for the absence of Councillors Bob Perry, Natasha Summers and Paul Middleton.
Councillor John Crowder was also present at the meeting.

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

1 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

No interest was disclosed at the meeting.

2 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 30 January 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3 LICENSING STATISTICS

The Committee received the following Licensing statistics for the period ending 31 March 2019.

Members were informed that there had been a steady rise in licensed premises in the borough. At the end of March 2017, there were 555 licensed premises, by the end of March 2018, the figure was 564 and as at March 2019, licensed premises have risen to 584.

The Committee noted that there were 41 premises with only Late Night Refreshment licences and 12 premises with a 24 hours licence. It was noted that there were three areas with cumulative impact zone.

The following hearing figures were outlined:

Year	New Application	Variation Application	Hearing	Review Hearing
March 2017	36	20	10	9
March 2018	39	18	14	1
March 2019	40	26	12	0

The report informed that in 2018/2019, 67 applications were received, 51 were granted and 10 were refused. Five applications were received for premises in the Cumulative Impact Zones which were refused.

The Committee was informed that Temporary Event Notices (TEN) which was used to make provision for small scale one off events, or situations where Premises Licences do not meet the needs of a particular function on a particular night had seen a gradual reduction.

Year	New Application
March 16/2017	391
March 16/2017	362
March 16/2017	349

The Committee noted the Licensing Statistics.

Chairman