

**LICENSING COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 22nd NOVEMBER 2011**

PRESENT – *Councillor Wright (in the Chair), Councillors Gee, Khonat H, Oldfield, Pearson D, Smith, J, Solkar, Tapp and Walsh.*

RESOLUTIONS

18 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received from Councillors Davies, Hussain, Maxfield and Smith

19 Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th September 2011

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 20th September 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed.

20 Declarations of interest

The Committee were informed that Councillor Gee had declared a potential interest should any discussion under the item relating to the proposals to deregulate Schedule 1 of the Licensing Act 2003 Regulated Entertainment discuss specific events. The Committee were informed that the principles of the Act and proposals to change this were to be discussed and not specific events held in the borough and covered by the act.

21 Consultation on Proposals to Deregulate Schedule 1 of the Licensing Act 2003.

The Committee received a report outlining the current proposals for deregulating Schedule 1 (regulated Entertainment) of the Licensing Act 2003. The Committee were informed of the Lancashire Licensing Officers Groups proposed response and the discussions that had taken place. The deadline for responses to the consultation was 3rd December and subject to the agreement of the Committee it was proposed that the response of the Lancashire Licensing Officers Group be endorsed and that members submit any additional views that they would like to see included in the response prior to the closing date for comments.

RESOLVED-

That the views of the Lancashire Licensing Officers Group be endorsed as the basis of the response from this Authority and that the Chair be given delegated authority to approve the response of the Committee to the proposals on submission of further comments by Members of the Committee.

22 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED - That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

23 Minutes of the General Licensing Sub Committees

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meetings of the General Licensing Sub Committees held on 6th September 2011, 11th October 2011, 25th October 2011 and 15th November 2011 were signed as a correct record.

Signed.....

Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were signed

Date.....