

## Licensing Committee Minutes

The minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting of Wyre Borough Council held remotely on Thursday, 24 September 2020 Remote via WebEx.

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### **Licensing Committee members present:**

Councillors Cartridge (Vice-Chairman in the Chair), Sir R Atkins, C Birch, Collinson, Leech, Smith and Williams

### **Apologies for absence:**

Councillors Robinson, George, Baxter and Armstrong

### **Other councillors present:**

None

### **Officers present:**

Mary Grimshaw, Legal Services Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer  
Niky Barrett, Senior Licensing Officer  
Duncan Jowitt, Democratic Services Officer  
Emma Keany, Democratic Services Officer

No members of the public or press attended the meeting.

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### **11        Declarations of Interest**

None.

### **12        Confirmation of minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 27 February 2020 and the meetings of the Licensing Sub-Committee held on 10 June 2020 and 30 July 2020 were approved as a correct record.

### **13        Licensing Act 2003 - Revision of Wyre's Statement of Licensing Policy**

The Corporate Director Environment submitted a report asking members to agree the contents of the revised draft Statement of Licensing Policy.

Members asked a number of questions in relation to the regulations that had recently come into force in England that pubs and restaurants would have a 10pm closing time and the enforcement of conditions on takeaways relating to

sweeping up litter in the immediate vicinity.

The Senior Licensing Officer and Senior Solicitor confirmed that the new regulations take precedence over the premises licence and that, as the council, police and county council are all enforcing authorities for the new regulations, premises not adhering to the rules could be brought to the committee to have their licences reviewed. Similarly takeaways found to be in breach of the conditions of their licence could be penalised.

### **Decisions taken**

The Licensing Committee agreed

- the draft Licensing Policy at Appendix 1 of the report.
- that the Senior Licensing Officer undertake a six week consultation with the trade and other relevant persons on the draft policy and in consultation with the Chairman, consider all the responses received and where appropriate, amend the draft policy, before presenting it to the next available meeting of full Council with a recommendation to adopt it with effect from 7 January 2021.

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and finished at 6.16 pm.

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