

To be submitted to the Council at its meeting in July 2022

LICENSING AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION COMMITTEE - SPECIAL

15th March 2022 at 5.00 p.m.

Present:

Councillor Harness (in the Chair) Councillors Beasant, Callison, Dawkins, Green, Hasthorpe (substitute for Cairns), Patrick (substitute for Rodwell), and K Swinburn.

Officers in attendance:

- Adrian Moody (Licensing and Environmental Protection Manager)
- Stephen McGrath (Elections and Complaints Team Manager)
- Sophie Pickerden (Committee Support Officer)
- Eve Richardson-Smith (Deputy Monitoring Officer)
- Paul Windley (Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager)

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Also in attendance:

- Councillor Shepherd (Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities)
- Councillor Boyd

L.13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from this meeting were received from Councillors Cairns, Rodwell and Westcott.

L.14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received in respect of any item on the agenda for this meeting.

L.15 MINUTES

The minutes of the Licensing and Community Protection Committee meeting held on 9th February 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

In accordance with legislative requirement, for the following item the Committee was sitting as the 'Community Protection Committee.'

L.16 REVIEW OF PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES – SECOND CONSULTATION STAGE

The committee considered a report from the Chief Executive and Returning Officer on the second consultation stage of the Boundary Commission for England review of the future arrangements for parliamentary constituencies across the country, including North East Lincolnshire.

Mr McGrath introduced the report and the committee was given the opportunity to comment on the representations received.

The Chair commented that, having read through all the representations, he remained content with the proposals.

Councillor Hasthorpe felt that there should no reference to the name 'South Humber' as he believed it to be universally disliked in the area and we needed to move forward from the past.

Councillor Patrick had several concerns over the proposed changes to the boundaries. While understanding the need to balance the number of electors, he could not support splitting the town of Grimsby into two and felt that this could be resolved by swapping Scartho and Haverstoe wards. He suggested the name of North Lindsey be considered as Northern Lincolnshire would cause confusion.

Councillor Hasthorpe proposed that the Council's original decision be endorsed, namely to support the Boundary Commission for England's proposed amendments to Parliamentary constituency boundaries as they affect North East Lincolnshire, i.e. the proposed new Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes Borough Constituency and the South Humber County Constituency, though we wish to see the latter renamed the Northern Lincolnshire County Constituency. Councillor Callison seconded this motion and, upon a vote, this was carried by four votes to three.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL -

That the Council's original decision be endorsed, namely to support the Boundary Commission for England's proposed amendments to Parliamentary constituency boundaries as they affect North East Lincolnshire, i.e. the proposed new Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes Borough Constituency and the South Humber County Constituency,

though we wish to see the latter renamed the Northern Lincolnshire County Constituency.

Note – Councillor Dawkins joined the meeting at this point.

L.17 HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE FEES REVIEW

The committee considered a report from the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources outlining a review of the fees for the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire licensing regime in North East Lincolnshire and proposing new fee structures for implementation in 2022.

Councillor Hasthorpe proposed that the recommendations in the report be approved. This was seconded by Councillor Callison and upon a vote, the committee unanimously voted to approve the recommendations.

RESOLVED -

- That the new Hackney Carriage and Private Hire fees, as set out in appendix 1 of the report now submitted, be approved for introduction subject to relevant statutory notice procedures.
- 2. That, subject to statutory public notice, any objections received pursuant to advertisement be delegated and considered by the Assistant Director (Environment) in consultation with the Chair of Licensing and Community Protection Committee.

L.18 SCRAP METAL DEALERS LICENCES FEES REVIEW

The committee considered a report from the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources outlining a revised fee structure for Scrap Metal Licensing.

Councillor Hasthorpe moved that the recommendation in the report be approved. Councillor Dawkins seconded this motion and upon a vote, the committee unanimously voted to approve the recommendation.

RESOLVED – That the revised table of scrap metal licensing fees, as set out in appendix 1 of the report now submitted, be approved for introduction from 1st April 2022.

L.19 SEX ENTERTAINMENT VENUE FEES REVIEW

The committee considered a report from the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources outlining a revised fee structure for Sex Establishments.

Councillor Hasthorpe moved for the recommendation in the report to be approved. Councillor Callison seconded this motion and upon a vote, the committee unanimously voted to approve the recommendation.

RESOLVED – That the revised table of sex entertainment venue fees, as set out in appendix 1 of the report now submitted, be approved for introduction from 1st April 2022.

L.20 ANIMAL WELFARE FEES REVIEW

The committee considered a report from the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources outlining a new fee structure to recover the cost associated with the Animal Licensing regime.

Councillor Hasthorpe moved for the recommendation in the report to be approved. Councillor Callison seconded this motion and upon a vote, the committee unanimously voted to approve the recommendation.

RESOLVED – That the revised table of animal welfare fees, as set out in appendix 1 of the report now submitted, be approved for introduction from 1st April 2022.

In accordance with legislative requirement, for the following item the Committee was sitting as the 'Licensing Committee.'

L.21 GAMBLING ACT FEES REVIEW

The committee considered a report from the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources outlining a revised fee structure for Licensed Gambling Premises.

Councillor Callison moved for the recommendation in the report to be approved. Councillor Hasthorpe seconded this motion and upon a vote, the committee unanimously voted to approve the recommendation.

RESOLVED – That the new fees for Gambling Act premises licences, as set out in appendix 1 of the report now submitted, be approved for introduction from 1st April 2022.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 5.38 p.m.