LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chairs of Licensing Sub-Committees 8 October 2020

Report of the Licensing Manager

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To enable the Committee to make arrangements for the chairing of Licensing Sub-Committees due to a change in membership.

This report is public.

Recommendation

That the Committee appoints, for the municipal year 2020/21, a Councillor, who is a member of the Licensing Committee to also act as a Chair of the ad hoc Sub-Committees (established to hear individual applications under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005).

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The procedure for establishing sub-committees to deal with hearings under the Licensing Act 2003 was agreed at the former Licensing Act Committee's meeting on the 14th February 2005.
- 1.2 Each Sub-Committee must comprise three members of the Licensing Committee. The Sub-Committees are convened by the Democratic Services Manager, as and when required, from the Licensing Committee's ten members.

2.0 Proposal Details

2.1 Due to a change in membership the Committee is requested to appoint a Councillor, who is a member of the Licensing Committee, to act as Chair of the ad hoc Sub-Committees.

3.0 Details of Consultation

3.1 None

4.0 Options and Options Analysis (including risk assessment)

4.1 There is a need for the Licensing Committee to appoint Sub-Committee Chairs to chair the ad hoc Licensing Sub-Committee hearings.

5.0 Conclusion

5.1 The Committee is recommended to appoint a Councillor, who is a member of the Licensing Committee, to act as Chairs of the ad hoc Sub-Committee hearings.

| CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT (including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing) | |
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| None. | |
| FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | |
| The Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) has made provision for special responsibility allowances of £443.70 to be paid to each Sub-Committee Chair, in addition to the special responsibility allowance that is paid to the Chair of the Committee, and the budgetary provision reflects this. The fact that a Councillor is only entitled to receive one special responsibility allowance means that it is impossible to estimate the actual budget cost in advance, and generally gives leeway within the budgetary provision. | |
| LEGAL IMPLICATIONS | |
| The proposal is in accordance with the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003, which provides for the establishment of one or more Sub-Committees consisting of three members of the Committee, but makes no further provision as to how this should be arranged. | |
| OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS Human Resources: | |
| None | |
| Information Services: | |
| None | |
| Property: | |
| None | |
| Open Spaces: | |
| None | |
| S151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS | |
| None. | |
| MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS | |
| None. | |
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