

## LICENSING COMMITTEE

1.00 P.M.

11TH SEPTEMBER 2025

**PRESENT:-** Councillors Sally Maddocks (Vice-Chair in the Chair), Louise Belcher, Gerry Blaikie, Martin Gawith, Margaret Pattison and John Wild

Apologies for Absence

Councillors Paul Tynan (Chair), Maria Deery and John Hanson

Officers in attendance:

Daniel Spencer	Lawyer
Sarah Jones	Senior Licensing Officer
Sarah Moorghen	Democratic Support Officer

### 20 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025 were signed by the Vice-Chair as a correct record.

### 21 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR

There were no items of urgent business.

### 22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Margaret Pattison declared an Other Interest in item 6 – Existing Dual Drivers Licence due to knowing the driver's wife.

### 23 EXEMPT ITEM

It was moved by Councillor Margaret Pattison, seconded by Councillor Martin Gawith and unanimously agreed:

***Resolved:***

That, in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds they could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information, as defined, in Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act.

***Councillor Margaret Pattison left the meeting for the following item due to having declared an Other Interest.***

### 24 EXISTING DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE

The Committee received the report of the Senior Licensing Officer for the purpose of determining action on a dual driver's licence (Hackney Carriage and Private Hire). Details of the individual case and the Chair's summary of the decision are set out in Exempt Minute No.24 in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

***Decision of the Committee:***

The decision of the Committee is set out in Exempt Minute No 24.

***Councillor Margaret Pattison returned to the meeting at this point.***

**25 DECISION TAKEN IN RESPECT OF A REVIEW OF A DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Senior Licensing Officer presented a report which notified the Committee of an urgent decision taken by the Licensing Manager in consultation with the Chair of Licensing Committee in respect of a dual driver's licence.

***Resolved:***

That the report be noted.

***The press and public were readmitted to the meeting at this point.***

**26 STATEMENT OF GAMBLING POLICY 2025-2028 CONSULTATION RESPONSES**

The Senior Licensing Officer presented a report for members to consider responses to a public consultation regarding the Council's draft Statement of Gambling Policy 2025-2028.

It was reported that the draft Statement of Gambling Policy 2025-2028 was approved for consultation by the Licensing Committee at its June 2025 meeting. The Policy was appended to the report for members consideration.

The Committee was advised that a 6-week public consultation was carried out between Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025. During that time the draft policy was made available to view on the Council website and at Morecambe and Lancaster Town Halls. The Policy document was also shared with all consultees via email.

It was reported that no (0) responses had been received during the consultation period.

It was noted that at the June meeting the Committee had requested that the Citizens Advice Bureau be added to the list of consultees but they were not included in the list provided within the report.

It was proposed by Councillor Margaret Pattison and seconded by Councillor Gerry Blaikie and unanimously agreed:

***Resolved:***

That the Committee recommend to the Council's Cabinet that the draft Statement of Gambling Policy be approved.

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Chair

(The meeting ended at 2.00 p.m.)

**Any queries regarding these Minutes, please contact  
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