

**LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

**MEETING HELD AT THE BALLROOM - BOOTLE TOWN HALL,  
TRINITY ROAD, BOOTLE, L20 7AE  
ON MONDAY 14TH JUNE, 2021**

**PRESENT:** Councillor John Kelly (in the Chair)  
Councillors Waterfield, Blackburne, Bradshaw,  
Burns, Dodd, Friel, O'Brien, Prendergast,  
Yvonne Sayers, Thomas, Anne Thompson,  
Lynne Thompson and Webster

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Morris.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interests or personal interests were received.

**3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 MARCH 2021**

**RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.

**4. REISSUING OF SAFETY CERTIFICATES AT SOUTHPORT FC**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Economic Growth and Housing which sought Member's approval to re-issue Safety Certificates for two regulated viewing grandstands at Southport FC's Haig Avenue stadium, in order to include the name of the Club's new Secretary who will be the holder of the certificates. A Safety Certificate needed to be granted in accordance with the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975 and the Fire Safety and Safety of Places Sports Act 1987.

**RESOLVED:**

That the re-issue of the General Safety Certificates for the Main Grandstand and for the Jack Carr Stand at Southport FC's Haig Avenue stadium be agreed.

**5. DOUGLAS PLACE, BOOTLE - PROPOSED 20MPH SPEED LIMIT**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Highways and Public Protection which informed the Committee of the results of a consultation with residents regarding the proposal to introduce a 20mph speed limit on Douglas Place, Bootle. This was in order to rectify the omission of Douglas Place, Bootle from a 2011 Sefton Council policy which stated that the speed limit on all residential areas within Sefton, with the exception of main distributor roads, should be reduced to 20 mph as part of a rolling programme over subsequent years.

RESOLVED: That:

- (1) the results of the consultation be noted; and
- (2) the Cabinet Member – Locality Services be requested to consider authorising the advertising and progression of the 20mph speed limit Traffic Regulation Order on Douglas Place, Bootle.

#### **6. LONGDALE LANE, LUNT - RESULTS OF CONSULTATION**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Highways and Public Protection which informed the Committee of the results of a consultation with residents on Longdale Lane, Lunt, regarding the proposal to introduce a Residents' Privileged Parking scheme.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the results of the consultation be noted; and
- (2) the Cabinet Member – Locality Services be requested to authorise the progression of the necessary Traffic Regulation Order.

#### **7. LOCAL LICENSING: PERFORMANCE REPORT 2020/21**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Highways and Public Protection which outlined the work carried out during 2020/21 by the Local Licensing Unit.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the report be noted; and
- (2) it be agreed that similar reports be submitted for consideration by this Committee on an annual basis.

#### **8. TAXI LICENSING PERFORMANCE REPORT 2020/21**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Highways and Public Protection which reported on the progress of the Taxi Licensing service during 2020/21.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the contents of the report be noted;
- (2) it be agreed that similar reports be submitted for consideration by this Committee on an annual basis. and
- (3) approval be granted for accredited training providers to conduct knowledge tests on a temporary basis with the maximum fee chargeable set by the Council.

**9. FINAL DRAFT REVISED STATEMENT OF GAMBLING LICENSING POLICY – GAMBLING ACT 2005**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Highways and Public Protection which sought Member's comments on the final draft revised Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy and to then refer to Council for approval.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the final draft of the revised Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy, attached at Annex 2, be agreed; and
- (2) the agreed revised Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy be referred to Council for approval.

**10. DETERMINATIONS MADE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003 AND THE GAMBLING ACT 2005: PERIOD COVERING 19 FEBRUARY 2021 TO 13 MAY 2021**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Highways and Public Protection updating on applications made under the Licensing Act, 2003 and the Gambling Act, 2005 which had been determined by Licensing Officers.

The report indicated that Sefton Council's Statement of Licensing Policy (issued under the Licensing Act 2003) and the Statement of Gambling Policy (issued under the Gambling Act 2005), both followed the recommended delegation of functions contained within the Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Guidance issued under Section 25 of the Gambling Act 2005. Where there were no relevant representations to applications, then these matters would be dealt with by Officers in order to speed matters through the system. The Guidance also recommended that where powers had been delegated, the Committee would receive regular reports on decisions made by Officers in order to maintain an overview of the general licensing situation.

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The report indicated that during the period 19 February 2021 to 13 May 2021 the Head of Highways and Public Protection had received and determined the following numbers of applications:

Under the Licensing Act 2003:

- 48 Applications made under Premise Licenses
- 30 Applications made under Personal Licenses
- 6 Notifications of Temporary Event Notices
- 4 Notifications of Late Temporary Event Notices

No Applications have been determined under the Gambling Act 2005 during this period.

RESOLVED:

That the report and the fact that further update reports would be submitted as necessary, be noted.

**11. ADDITIONAL MEETING - HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES**

RESOLVED: That an additional meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee for consideration of highway improvement schemes be scheduled to take place at 6.30 pm on Monday 1 November 2021.