

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Tuesday, 17 March 2015

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices, Fareham

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs P M Bryant (Chairman)

Councillor T M Cartwright, MBE (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs S M Bayford, Miss S M Bell, Mrs M E Ellerton, K D Evans (deputising for Mrs S Pankhurst), M J Ford, JP, N R Gregory, T J Howard, L Keeble and Mrs K Mandry



1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mrs S Pankhurst.

2. MINUTES

It was AGREED that the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 20 January 2015 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman made announcements concerning:

The Fareham and Gosport Environmental Health Partnership, which had won a silver award, coming second out of 200 local authorities in the 'Delivering Through Efficiency' category. The Executive Member for Public Protection, the Deputy Leader of Gosport Borough Council and the Head of Environmental Health had attended the awards ceremony in London.

RESOLVED that the Head of Environmental Health and all the officers concerned be congratulated on their achievement.

At the conclusion of the meeting, as it was the last meeting of the 2014/15 municipal year, the Chairman thanked members and officers for their contributions to the work of the Committee during the year, including those who had been involved with hearings of the Licensing Panel.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

DECISIONS UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

6. REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF INDIVIDUAL ELECTORAL REGISTRATION (IER)

The Committee considered a report by the Director of Finance and Resources reviewing the progress made since the introduction of Individual Electoral Registration (IER) on 10 June 2014.

The Democratic Services Manager presented the report and showed members examples of some of the forms, envelopes and leaflets connected with the process.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) the progress made to date in relation to the transition to IER be noted;
and

- (b) the Democratic Services Manager be congratulated, thanked and requested to pass on the Committee's congratulations and thanks to the officers concerned for all the work they had done and were continuing to do in connection with IER.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

The Committee considered a report by the Director of Community on the progress of the Fareham and Gosport Environmental Health Partnership, in particular following the TUPE (Transfer of Undertakings Protection of Employment Regulations) transfer of employees to Fareham in April 2014 and the subsequent introduction of a single staffing structure.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) the progress of the Fareham and Gosport Environmental Health Partnership be noted; and
- (b) the Head of Environmental Health and the Partnership officers be thanked for all their efforts.

8. LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME - REVIEW OF 2014/15 AND DRAFT FOR 2015/16

The Committee considered a report by the Director of Community reviewing its work programme for 2014/15 and on a proposed work programme for 2015/16.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) the progress report on the Committee's work programme for 2014/15, as shown in Appendix A to the report, be noted;
- (b) the 'Annual Taxi Vehicle Renewals' item be removed from the draft 2015/16 work programme for 7 July 2015 and, instead, the information concerned be incorporated in the 'Annual Monitoring Report on Applications Received' item on 2 June 2015;
- (c) members be invited to notify the Chairman or the Director of Community of any possible additional items to the 2015/16 work programme;
- (d) it be noted that the officers had been requested to arrange a members' training session in the autumn, possibly on the same day as a scheduled meeting of the Committee;
- (e) an item updating the Committee on the progress of the Fareham and Gosport Environmental Health Partnership, with particular reference to those areas of work that were the Committee's responsibility, be added to the work programme for 22 March 2016; and
- (f) subject to (b) to (e) above, the draft work programme for 2015/16, as shown in Appendix B to the report, be approved.

(The meeting started at 6.00pm
and ended at 6.30pm).