Licensing Committee – Meeting held on Thursday, 14th February, 2019.

Present:- Councillors S Parmar (Vice-Chair), B Bains, Mann, D Parmar, Qaseem, Strutton, Usmani and Wright.

Apologies for Absence:- Councillor M Holledge.

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24. Declarations of Interest

None were received.

25. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 18th October 2018

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 18th October 2018 be approved as a correct record.

26. Guidance on Predetermination/ Predisposition - To Note

Members confirmed that they had read and understood the guidance on predetermination and predisposition.

27. Licensing Act 2003 - Statement of Licensing Policy 2019/24

The Committee were reminded that the Statement of Licensing Policy sets out how a local authority intended to approach its licensing responsibilities and in particular, the promotion of the four licensing objectives. A review of the Statement of Licensing Policy was a statutory requirement and the current policy, approved in 2014, lapsed in January 2019. The revised draft policy was subject to a public consultation, which commenced on 13th December 2018 and concluded on 18th January 2019.

The Senior Licensing Officer informed the Committee that there had been very little response to the consultation as it was generally realised that the discretion of the Council in reviewing the policy was very limited as the Licensing Act 2003, the Regulations under the Act and the Government Guidance closely prescribed how licensing authorities carried out licensing functions.

Members considered details of the revised Statement of Licensing Policy, which included a summary of minor changes that had been made and agreed to recommend the policy to full Council for adoption.

Recommended to Council - That the revised Statement of Licensing Policy 2019-2024 is adopted as the Council's Licensing Policy.

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28. Members Attendance Record

Resolved – That details of the Members Attendance Record 2018/19 be noted.

29. Date of Next Meeting - 27th March 2019

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 6.34 pm and closed at 6.39 pm)