

Report to Full Council (July 2018) from the Chair of Licensing & Public Protection

Members will be aware that full Council (16 May 2018) approved the creation of a combined Licensing & Public Protection Committee. This includes Sub-Committees. As Chair I have worked with the interim Chief Executive and The Head of Environmental Health to bring this resolution to fruition. Licensing Sub-Committees will be held as required. Public Protection Sub-Committees will be held at three weekly intervals on a Tuesday, alternating between 10am and 2pm starts. Three members will be required for each Sub-Committee. To clear the backlog of Licence applications, meetings have been held weekly and have I have Chaired each one. The feedback from members who have sat on the Sub-Committees has been very positive. Equally, the new structure has achieved a 100% attendance from applicants. This has never been achieved before. The new arrangements will be subject to review after 12 months.

A full day of training was planned for all members of Licensing & Public Protection, but had to be abandoned due to the trainer falling sick. The revised date for this training is on Monday 16th July 2018. As an interim measure, a comprehensive training session was delivered by the Head of Environmental Health and Licensing Manager.

A meeting of the full Licensing & Public Protection Committee was held on 27th June 2018. Members received reports on the following principle headings:

- Licensing Annual Performance Report;
- Cumulative Impact Policy (Presented by the Police);
- Air Quality Action Plan;
- Food Safety Service Plan;
- Environmental Health Annual Performance and Enforcement Report.

Cllr Mark Olszewski

Chair