

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

A meeting of the full Licensing & Public Protection Committee was held on 31st July 2018. Members received reports on the following principle headings:

- Gambling Act 2005 – Review of Statemen of Licencing Principles (Gambling Policy).

The updated policy will now be subject to a ten week consultation period. Responses will be considered at the October Licencing Committee.

- Public Space Protection Orders Variation.

Members were advised that Cabinet had previously approved this variation, but formal approval was required by the Lic and PP Committee. The variations related to the issuing of fixed penalty notices to target persistent and aggressive beggars. The variations were approved by committee.

- Institute of Licencing – Creation of Guidelines on How to Treat Taxi Applicants with Convictions.

Consideration was given to a report notifying Members of the model Convictions Guidelines that have been created by various associations. The Councils Current Taxi Policy is under review, and is anticipated that the model guidelines will be included in the revised NBC policy when it is presented at the next PP Committee.

- Public Protection Sub Committees

There have been issues with Members not being able to attend meetings of the above held during the daytime on Tuesdays.

The Head of Environmental Health Nesta Barker Informed Members that she would review the arrangements and report back to the next meeting.

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