

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Licensing Committee**
held on Monday, 4th March, 2024 in the Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor D Edwardes (Chair)
Councillor R Kain (Vice-Chair)

Councillors C Bulman, C Chapman, H Faddes, A Gage, A Heler, C Hilliard,
J Place, J Pratt and L Smetham

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Tracey Bettaney, Head of Regulatory Services
Sarah Sutton, Regulatory Services
Amanda Andrews, Licensing Enforcement Officer
Gary Coughlan, Legal Officer
Sam Jones, Democratic Services Officer

69 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M Brooks.

70 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

71 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no public speakers.

72 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 8 January 2024 be approved as a correct record.

73 MINUTES OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES

RESOLVED:

To receive the minutes of the following meetings of the Licensing Act Sub-Committee:

22 December 2023
23 January 2024

12 February 2024

74 REVISED STREET TRADING POLICY REPORT

The Committee considered a report which sought to review the Revised Street Trading Policy Report.

Amanda Andrews, Licensing Enforcement Officer, attended to present the report.

It was noted that the report was out to consultation from 11 January 2024 – 7 March 2024 for comment, and those had been consulted were those persons / organisations who have any consents.

It was noted that the Licensing Service are not run for profit, and any cost increases were due to an increase in the costs of officer time.

RESOLVED:

That the recommendations set out in the Revised Street Trading Policy report be approved.

75 MOBILE HOMES FEES AND CHARGES 2024-2025 REPORT

The Committee considered a report which detailed the proposed Regulatory Services and Health Mobile Homes Fees and Charges Policy 2024-2025.

Tracey Bettaney, Head of Regulatory Services, and Sarah Sutton, Regulatory Services Officer, attended to present the report.

In accordance with the Mobile Homes Act 2013 (MHA13), which amended the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960, the Council is permitted to charge a fee for administering the statutory licensing function for residential caravan sites, plus costs associated with determination of a “fit and proper person” for these sites. The Fees and Charges Policy must be reviewed annually to reflect the cost of administering the licensing function.

It was noted that the Licensing Service were not run for profit, and any increases were to cover the costs of providing the services.

RESOLVED:

That the recommendations set out in the Mobile Homes Fees and Charges 2024-2025 report be approved.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.37 pm
Councillor D Edwardes (Chair)

