

MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee

Wednesday, 25 August 2021

Various Locations via Video-Conference,

PRESENT

Councillor George Alexander, Councillor James Allan, Councillor David Bremner, Councillor Theresa Coull, Councillor Gordon Cowie, Councillor Paula Coy, Councillor Donald Gatt, Councillor Marc Macrae, Councillor Ray McLean, Councillor Derek Ross, Councillor Amy Taylor

APOLOGIES

Councillor Ryan Edwards, Councillor Maria McLean, Councillor Louise Nicol

IN ATTENDANCE

Also in attendance at the meeting were Sean Hoath, Senior Solicitor, Sana Sarwar, Solicitor, and Lindsey Robinson, Committee Services Officer.

1. Chair

The Meeting was chaired by Councillor Gordon Cowie.

2. Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests *

In terms of Standing Order 20 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda or any declarations of Member's Interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

3. Minute of Meeting of 9 June 2021

The minute of the Meeting of the Licensing Committee on 9 June 2021 was submitted and approved.

4. Written Questions **

The Committee noted that no written questions had been submitted.

5. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 and other Misc Licences - Annual Review of Licensing Fees

A report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) asked the Committee to scrutinise and note the financial report on income and expenditure data and note the position on future fees and the planned revision of the same.

Following consideration Councillor Bremner moved that there should be no change to the current fees. This was seconded by Councillor Coy. There being no one otherwise minded the Committee agreed that the fees remain unchanged.

6. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 plus other legislation - Annual Functions Report

A report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Committees and Organisational Development) asked the Committee to note the draft annual functions report, amend the same if considered appropriate and agree the final report to be published.

During consideration Councillor Alexander stated that he was of the opinion that an additional column should be added to the table on page 23 to show the previous years figures as the text below the table makes comment to them.

In response the Senior Solicitor agreed that this would be included in the final report.

Thereafter the Committee agreed that the draft report will be published with the above changes included.

The Committee joined the Chair in commending the licensing team for all of their hard work during the pandemic.

7. Question Time ***

The Committee noted that no questions had been asked.