

MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Special Meeting of the Licensing Committee

Wednesday, 21 September 2022

Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

PRESENT

Councillor Peter Bloomfield, Councillor Neil Cameron, Councillor Tracy Colyer, Councillor Theresa Coull, Councillor John Divers, Councillor Jérémie Fernandes, Councillor Donald Gatt, Councillor Juli Harris, Councillor Paul McBain, Councillor Kathleen Robertson

APOLOGIES

Councillor James Allan, Councillor Ben Williams

IN ATTENDANCE

Also in attendance at the above meeting were Sean Hoath, Senior Solicitor, Jennifer Smith, Solicitor, and Lindsey Robinson, Committee Services Officer, as Clerk to the Committee.

1. Chair

Councillor Paul McBain, as Chair of the Licensing Committee, chaired the meeting.

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 regards 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. Short Term Lets

A report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) presented to the Committee the process, including Policy Statement and supporting documents, for the provision of a new licencing regime for Short Term Lets (STLs) in Moray.

During discussion , members of the Committee commended the amount of work undertaken to produce the report.

Thereafter following further discussion, the Committee agreed:

- i. to approve the full licence package, including application form, fees and supporting documents to licence STLs in Moray produced at Appendix 1 of the report;
- ii. to approve the statement of licensing policy attached at Appendix 2 of the report;

- iii. recommendations for changes to the Scheme of Delegation as per paragraph 3.14 and Appendix 2 of the report and to commend those to Moray Council for formal approval; and
- iv. the final date for the implementation of the complete licensing system of STLs as 1 October 2022.