Licensing Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 23 October 2017

Present

Councillor Ludford (in the Chair) Councillors Austin-Behan, Barrett, Connolly, Cookson, Evans, Grimshaw, Hughes, Paul and Stone

Apologies

Councillors Longsden, Loughman and Madeleine Monaghan

LC/17/8 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 17 July 2017 were submitted for consideration.

Decision

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2017.

LC/17/9 Licensing (Premises) Applications Between 1 April 2017 and 30 June 2017

A report of the Head of Planning, Building Control and Licensing was presented to the Committee. The report informed the Committee of decisions made in relation to applications managed by the Premises Licensing Team.

Decision

To note the report.

LC/17/10 Licensing Update

A report of the Head of Planning, Building Control and Licensing was presented to the Committee. The report provided the Committee with a brief overview of topical information relevant to premises licensing functions of the licensing authority.

The Committee were told that on 3 October 2017, the Council's Licensing Policy Committee approved a proposed new special policy to go out to public consultation in respect of the area covered by the Ancoats and New Islington Neighbourhood Development Framework.

The proposed special policy stipulates that the Council will generally only permit licensable activities until a terminal hour of 11pm for premises in the Ancoats and New Islington Regeneration Framework area, whenever it receives relevant representation, unless an applicant can demonstrate there are exceptional circumstance to justify a departure from the policy in the individual circumstances.

Officers confirmed that there are currently about 6 premises in the Ancoats and New Islington Area with later hours for licensable activities than 11pm, and that the

proposed special policy would not impact on businesses with an existing licence, as the policy would apply only to new licences granted in the future.

The proposed special policy could link with the Planning process in the form of restrictive leases, and that all stakeholders, including developers would form part of the consultation process. The Committee were also told that no definitive decision had been made, and that the results of the consultation would inform officers and the Licensing Policy Committee of the overall view of stakeholders towards the proposals.

Decision

- 1. To note the report.
- 2. To request a further report with the results of the consultation when this is available.