

# Informal Licensing Committee

**Date:** Tuesday, 15 June 2021  
**Time:** 10.00 am  
**Venue:** A link to the meeting can be found on the front page of the agenda.

**Membership: (Quorum 3 )**

Jon Andrews (Vice-Chairman), Paul Harrison, Carole Jones, Emma Parker (Chairman), David Taylor, Kate Wheller, Derek Beer, Les Fry, Brian Heatley, Cathy Lugg, David Morgan, Julie Robinson, Susan Cocking, Mike Dyer and Mike Barron

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“In accordance with the decision taken by Full Council on 4 May 2021, this informal meeting will take place virtually. Decisions will be made by the appropriate officer following a ‘minded to’ decision by members of the committee.” This meeting will be held remotely as an MS Teams Live Event Link Below.

[Link to meeting](#)

Members of the public are invited to make written representations provided that they are submitted to the Democratic Services Officer no later than 8.30am on Thursday 10 June 2021. This must include your name, together with a summary of your comments and contain no more than 450 words. Please note that if you submit a representation to be read out on your behalf at the committee meeting, your name and written submission will be published as part of the minutes of the meeting. For information about public speaking, filming and how to get involved in committees, please see this page.

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# A G E N D A

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## 1 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence.

## 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To disclose any pecuniary, other registerable or personal interest as set out in the adopted Code of Conduct. In making their disclosure councillors are asked to state the agenda item, the nature of the interest and any action they propose to take as part of their declaration.

If required, further advice should be sought from the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting.

## 3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To receive questions or statements on the business of the committee from town and parish councils and members of the public.

Public speaking has been suspended for virtual committee meetings during the Covid-19 crisis and public participation will be dealt with through written submissions only.

Members of the public who live, work or represent an organisation within the Dorset Council area, may submit up to two questions or a statement up to a maximum of 450 words. All submissions must be sent electronically to [elaine.tibble@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:elaine.tibble@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk) by the deadline set out below. When submitting a question please indicate who the question is for and include your name, address and contact details. Questions and statements received in line with the council's rules for public participation will be published as a supplement to the agenda.

Questions will be read out by an officer of the council and a response given by the appropriate officer at the meeting. All questions, statements and responses will be published in full within the minutes of the meeting.

**The deadline for submission of the full text of a question or statement is 8.30am on Thursday 10 June 2021.**

## 4 TAXI LICENSING POLICY

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The Council, as Licensing Authority under the Town Police Clause Act 1847 and the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, require a single policy to provide consistency across the district. The purpose of the policy is to define how the Council will exercise its responsibilities under the Act. The draft policy has been prepared by officers after consideration of responses from several focus groups. The draft is now ready to be considered by the Licensing Committee in preparation for it to be published, in draft format, for a period of public consultation, of not less than 12 weeks.

## **5 URGENT ITEMS**

To consider any items of business which the Chairman has had prior notification and considers to be urgent pursuant to section 100B (4) b) of the Local Government Act 1972. The reason for the urgency shall be recorded in the minutes.

## **6 EXEMPT BUSINESS**

To move the exclusion of the press and the public for the following item in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the meaning of paragraph 3 of schedule 12 A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The public and the press will be asked to leave the meeting whilst the item of business is considered.