



Brent

MINUTES OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

Held in the Members Suite, 4th Floor, Brent Civic Centre Wednesday 5 June 2024 at 6.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillor Ahmed (Chair), Councillor Long (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Bajwa, Chohan, Ethapemi, Hack, Hylton, Mahmood and Rajan-Seelan.

1. **Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Lorber.

2. **Declarations of interests**

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

3. **Minutes of the previous meeting**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting, held on Tuesday 23 May 2023 be approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

4. **Licensing Sub-Committee Appointments and Decision-Making**

The Committee received a report from the Corporate Director Law & Governance which set out the Committee's duty to review and determine the representation of political groups on its Regulatory Sub Committee and to make appointments in accordance with the wishes of the political groups concerned.

The Committee noted:

1. that whilst the Licensing Committee had a statutory duty to review and determine the representation of political groups and allocation of seats on its Regulatory Sub Committee, there was no requirement to apply these rules to the Alcohol and Entertainment Licensing Sub Committee.
2. The political balance principles that would apply in relation to the allocation of seats to political groups on the Regulatory Sub-Committee, as detailed in section 3 of the report.
3. The delegations approved by the Committee to its Sub Committees and the Corporate Director Resident Services in relation to alcohol, entertainment and gambling licensing as detailed within section 3.4 of the report.

Having considered the proposals detailed within the report, the Committee **RESOLVED** to agree the allocation of seats to political groups on the Regulatory Sub Committee, in accordance with the political balance rules as detailed within section 3.16 of the report (4 Labour: 1 Conservative) with the appointments to be made giving effect to the wishes of the political group(s) allocated the seats.

5. **Appointment to Sub-Committees**

The Committee was asked to confirm the appointments to the Sub-Committees listed under Agenda 5, as had been reported to the Annual Council meeting on 22 May 2024

RESOLVED to make the following appointments to each of the following Sub Committees:

ALCOHOL AND ENTERTAINMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

AHMED (Chair) - **LABOUR**
LONG (Vice Chair) - **LABOUR**
BAJWA - **LABOUR**

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS: To be drawn from the remaining pool of Licensing Committee members.

REGULATORY SUB-COMMITTEE

AHMED (Chair) - **LABOUR**
LONG (Vice Chair) - **LABOUR**
HACK - **LABOUR**
MAHMOOD - **LABOUR**
KANSAGRA - **CONSERVATIVE**

6. **Any other urgent business**

None raised.

The meeting closed at 6.09 pm

COUNCILLOR AHMED
Chair