

# **Licensing Committee**

## Tuesday 13 November 2018 at 7.30pm

## Council Chamber Runnymede Civic Centre, Addlestone

### **Members of the Committee**

Councillors Mrs J Gracey (Chairman), S A Lewis (Vice-Chairman), J Broadhead, I A Chaudhri, D A Cotty, Mrs E Gill, Mrs M T Harnden, N W Rubidge, Ms A Shepperdson, P S Sohi and P J Waddell.

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### AGENDA

# The appendix is now included in the agenda not attached as a separate document

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- Any report on the Agenda involving confidential information (as defined by section 100A(3) of the Local Government Act 1972) must be discussed in private. Any report involving exempt information (as defined by section 100I of the Local Government Act 1972), whether it appears in Part 1 or Part 2 below, may be discussed in private but only if the Committee so resolves.
- 2) The relevant 'background papers' are listed after each report in Part 1. Enquiries about any of the Agenda reports and background papers should be directed in the first instance to Miss C Pinnock, Democratic Services, Law and Governance Business Centre, Runnymede Civic Centre, Station Road, Addlestone (Tel: Direct Line: 01932 425627). (Email: clare.pinnock@runnymede.gov.uk).
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#### **LIST OF MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION**

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#### PART II

# Matters involving Exempt or Confidential Information in respect of which reports have not been made available for public inspection.

a) <u>Exempt Information</u>

(No reports to be considered under this heading).

b) <u>Confidential Information</u>

(No reports to be considered under this heading)

#### 1. FIRE PRECAUTIONS

The Chairman will read the Fire Precautions which set out the procedures to be followed in the event of fire or other emergency.

#### 2. MINUTES

To confirm and sign, as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 26 June 2018, previously circulated to all Members of the Council via email in October 2018.

#### 3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

#### 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

If Members have an interest in an item please record the interest on the form circulated with this Agenda and hand it to the Legal Representative or Democratic Services Officer at the start of the meeting. A supply of the form will also be available from the Democratic Services Officer at meetings.

Members are advised to contact the Council's Legal section prior to the meeting if they wish to seek advice on a potential interest.

Members are reminded that a non pecuniary interest includes their appointment by the Council as the Council's representative to an outside body and that this should be declared as should their membership of an outside body in their private capacity as a director, trustee, committee member or in another position of influence thereon.

Members who have previously declared interests which are recorded in the Minutes to be considered at this meeting need not repeat the declaration when attending the meeting. Members need take no further action unless the item in which they have an interest becomes the subject of debate, in which event the Member must leave the room if the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or if the interest could reasonably be regarded as so significant as to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest.

#### 5. LICENSING FEES AND CHARGES 2019/20 (RESOURCES)

#### Synopsis of report:

To recommend the proposed fees and charges under this Committee's remit for next financial year (2019/20).

#### **Recommendation that:**

the proposed fees and charges as set out in Appendix 'A' be approved, to be effective from the dates within the appendix or as soon as practical thereafter.

#### 1. Context of report

1.1 The current fees and charges were agreed at the meeting of this Committee in November 2017.

#### 2. Report

2.1 The Council's Constitution gives delegated authority to Officers to alter fees, charges and prices without reference to Committee in order to respond to market conditions, new needs, changes in tax rates, and so on. Nonetheless, the annual review of

- charges still remains an important part of the overall budget setting process and the policy framework for service provision in general.
- 2.2 This report reviews current levels of fees and charges, with a view to helping to balance next year's budget and is a key strand of the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy of net revenue reductions.
- 2.3 The proposed fees and charges are set out at Appendix 'A' along with the dates that they will take effect.

#### 3. Resource implications

#### Premises and personal licence fees

3.1 The Licensing Act 2003 listed the fees and charges which we could make as a local authority. These fees and charges are set by statute and have not changed since their introduction. This means that as inflation increases the cost base, the net cost of running the service increases. The estimated deficit for 2019/20 is £26,000.

#### 4. Legal implications

- 4.1 Where the status of a charge is marked as 'statutory' the Council is required under the law to levy a fee. Where the status is given as 'discretionary' the Council may amend the fee charged or choose to make no charge for the service.
- 4.2 All of the regimes (excluding Gambling) are covered by the European Union Services Directive. Regulation 18 of the Provision of Services Regulations 2009 which implements the EU Services Directive into UK law requires that fees charged in relation to authorisations must be proportionate to the effective cost of the process.
- 4.3 The proposed fees must recover the Council's costs in relation to the licensing process and cannot be used as an economic deterrent or to raise funds. The fees as proposed should enable the Council to recover its reasonable costs.
- 4.4 As there is no facility to set fees under the Licensing Act 2003 locally, they cannot be increased to cover the deficit.

#### 5. **Equality implications**

- 5.1 Where any major changes to the structure of any charging regime are proposed, an Equality Impact Assessment will have been completed by the relevant Budget Manager.
- 5.2 Officers consider that there are no Equalities issues arising from the proposals contained in this report.

(To resolve)

#### **Background papers**

None.

#### Fees and charges

	Premise	s and alcohol re	ated licence	es				
		Charge Status	From April 2017 £	From April 2018 £	From April 2019 £	% Increase	Yield £	VAT treatment
Licensing Act 2003  Main application fee  The application fee for a new premise existing licence is based on rateable to								
Non City / Town Centre Band A Band B Band C Band D Band E	Rateable value £0 to £4,300 £4,301 to £33,000 £33,001 to £87,000 £87,001 to £125,000 £125,001 and above	Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory	100.00 190.00 315.00 450.00 635.00	100.00 190.00 315.00 450.00 635.00	100.00 190.00 315.00 450.00 635.00	0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00%	2,000	Outside Scope Outside Scope Outside Scope Outside Scope Outside Scope
City / Town Centre where they are a Band D Band E	exclusively/ primarily used to sell alcohol £87,001 to £125,000 £125,001 and above	Statutory Statutory	900.00 1,905.00	900.00 1,905.00	900.00 1,905.00	0.00% 0.00%		Outside Scope Outside Scope
Annual charge The annual charge is due one year af rateable values as follows:-	ter the application fee was paid and is based on							
Non City / Town Centre Band A Band B Band C Band D Band E	Rateable value £0 to £4,300 £4,301 to £33,000 £33,001 to £87,000 £87,001 to £125,000 £125,001 and above	Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory	70.00 180.00 295.00 320.00 350.00	70.00 180.00 295.00 320.00 350.00	70.00 180.00 295.00 320.00 350.00	0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00%	52,000	Outside Scope Outside Scope Outside Scope Outside Scope Outside Scope
Band D Band E	exclusively/ primarily used to sell alcohol £87,001 to £125,000 £125,001 and above	Statutory Statutory	640.00 1,050.00	640.00 1,050.00	640.00 1,050.00	0.00% 0.00%		Outside Scope
Minor variations to premises licences Legislative reform order 2009	and club premises certificates as per the	Statutory	89.00	89.00	89.00	0.00%	0	Outside Scope

#### Fees and charges

Premises	and alcohol re	lated licenc	es				
	Charge Status	From April 2017 £	From April 2018 £	From April 2019 £	% Increase	Yield £	VAT treatment
Exceptionally large capacity sites This is an additional charge for large events based on the number of attendees as follows: New licence							
5,000 to 9,999 10,000 to 14,999 15,000 to 19,999 20,000 to 29,999 30,000 to 39,999 40,000 to 49,000 50,000 to 59,999 60,000 to 69,999 70,000 to 79,999 80,000 to 89,999 90,000 and over  Annual fee The Annual fee is half the above thereafter	Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory Statutory	1,000.00 2,000.00 4,000.00 8,000.00 16,000.00 24,000.00 40,000.00 48,000.00 56,000.00 64,000.00	1,000.00 2,000.00 4,000.00 8,000.00 16,000.00 24,000.00 40,000.00 48,000.00 56,000.00 64,000.00	1,000.00 2,000.00 4,000.00 8,000.00 16,000.00 24,000.00 40,000.00 48,000.00 64,000.00	0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00%	0	Outside Scope
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Personal Licences Application for a grant of personal licence	Statutory	37.00	37.00	37.00	0.00%	2,000	Outside Scope
Temporary events Temporary event notice	Statutory	21.00	21.00	21.00	0.00%	4,500	Outside Scope

#### Fees and charges

#### Premises and alcohol related licences

	<u> </u>	From	From	From			VA
	Charge	April 2017	April 2018	April 2019	%	Yield	treat
		April 2017	April 2010	-		rieiu	lieati
	Status	L	Z.	£	Increase	L	<u> </u>
Other licences							
Theft, loss, etc. of premises licences or summary	Statutory	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.00%	1	Outside
Application for a provisional statement where premises	2.2,						
being built etc.	Statutory	315.00	315.00	315.00	0.00%		Outside
Notification of change of name or address	Statutory	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.00%		Outside
Application to vary licence to specify individual as premises	•						
supervisor	Statutory	23.00	23.00	23.00	0.00%		Outside
Application for transfer of premises licence	Statutory	23.00	23.00	23.00	0.00%		Outside
Interim authority notice following death etc. of licence holder	Statutory	23.00	23.00	23.00	0.00%	3,000	Outside
Theft, loss etc. of certificate or summary	Statutory	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.00%		Outside
Notification of change of name or alteration of rules of club	Statutory	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.00%		Outside
Change of relevant registered address of club	Statutory	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.00%		Outside
Theft, loss etc. of temporary event notice	Statutory	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.00%		Outside
Theft, loss etc. of personal licence	Statutory	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.00%		Outside
Duty to notify change of name or address	Statutory	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.00%		Outside
Right of freeholder etc to be notified of licensing matters	Statutory	21.00	21.00	21.00	0.00%	J	Outside

No fee shall be payable in respect of the above licences for an entertainment at a church hall, chapel hall or other similar building occupied in connection with a place of public religious worship, or at village hall, parish or community hall or other similar building. At the discretion of the Council no fee may be payable if the entertainment is of an educational or other like character or is given for charitable or other like purposes.

#### 6. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

If Members are minded to consider any of the foregoing items in private, it is the

#### **OFFICERS' RECOMMENDATION that -**

where appropriate the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the report(s) under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the report(s) in question would be likely to involve disclosure of exempt information of the description specified in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

(To resolve)

#### **PART II**

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