

**TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**Tuesday, 14th June, 2022**

**Present:** Cllr Mrs F A Kemp (Vice-Chair, in the Chair), Cllr A E Clark, Cllr M A Coffin, Cllr M Taylor and Cllr F G Tombolis

(Note: As Councillors Mrs P Bates, Mrs A Oakley and H Rogers were unable to attend in person and participated via MS Teams, they were unable to vote on any matters)

Councillor D Keers participated via MS Teams and joined the discussion when invited to do so by the Chair in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 15.21.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C Brown (Chair), Mrs J A Anderson, D W King, R V Roud and C J Williams

**PART 1 - PUBLIC**

**LA 22/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

**LA 22/17 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meetings of the Licensing and Appeals Committee held on 8 March and 29 March 2022 be approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

**LA 22/18 MINUTES OF PANEL**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meetings of the Licensing and Appeals Committee sitting as a Panel held on 21 March, 23 March and 4 May 2022 be received and noted.

**MATTERS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL**

**LA 22/19 UPDATED STREET TRADING POLICY**

Further to Minute No LA 22/9 of the meeting held on 8 March, the report of the Director of Central Services and Deputy Chief Executive provided an update on the proposed re-designation of the Borough as Consent Streets and sought approval of the draft policy for consultation purposes.

**RESOLVED:** That the Draft Street Trading Policy, as attached at Annex 3 to the report, be approved for consultation purposes.

**LA 22/20 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The Chair moved, it was seconded and

**RESOLVED:** That as public discussion would disclose exempt information, the following matters be considered in private.

**PART 2 - PRIVATE**

**LA 22/21 URGENT ITEMS**

The Chair advised that she had accepted the following item as urgent due to current fluctuation in fuel prices.

**LA 22/22 HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARES**

(Reasons: LGA 1972 Sch 12A Paragraph 3 – Financial or business affairs of any particular person)

The Head of Licensing provided details of discussions held with key members of the taxi trade regarding the current fluctuation in fuel prices and advised that the situation was being monitored and, if necessary, a report would be submitted to the meeting of the Committee to be held on 27 September 2022.

The meeting ended at 7.51 pm