

**Agenda  
Item: 2**

**STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**GENERAL PURPOSES  
MINUTES**

**Date: Monday 31 January 2011**

**Time: 18.00 p.m.**

**Place: Council Chambers, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage**

**Present:** Councillors D Kissane (Chair), C Latif (Vice Chair), R Clark, L Harrington, M Hearn, C Hurst, J Mead, J Pickersgill, P Stuart and B Underwood.

**Start/End Time:** Start Time: 18.00p.m.  
End Time : 18.30p.m

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors L Harrington, M Patston and M Notley.

There were no declarations of interest.

**2. MINUTES – 14 OCTOBER 2010**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Part I Minutes of the General Purposes Committee held on, 14 October 2010 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**3. ADOPTION OF AMENDED SCHEDULE 3 PROVISIONS (BY WAY OF THE POLICING AND CRIME ACT 2009)**

The Licensing Manager informed the meeting that the basis of the report was to inform the Committee the amended provision to the 1982 Act. She advised Members that Parliament is concerned with the growth and operation of lap dancing clubs across the United Kingdom. The Government has decided to address this by bringing about some amendments to schedule 3 of the 1982 Act through the Policing and Crime Act 2009. the basis for this report is that following the Licensing Act 2003.

She indicated that the Police and Crime Act 2009 requires local Councils to resolve whether to adopt the provisions of the 1982 Act

It was **RESOLVED**:

1. That Council be recommended to adopt the amendments to schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 made by section 27 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009, in addition to the existing adopted provisions of Schedule 3, as was originally approved by Committee on the 12<sup>th</sup> October 1982, and then by Council on the 26<sup>th</sup> October 1982.

2. That Council be recommended to delegate the determination of sexual entertainment venue licences and sex establishment licences under schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982; where there are relevant objections to the General Purposes Committee; where no relevant representations are received to the designated Head of Service.

3. That Council be recommended to approve the following fees for sexual entertainment licence applications:

- (1) application for the grant of licence: £4,530
- (2) renewal of a licence: £2,405
- (3) transfer and/or major variation of a licence: £645
- (4) minor variation to a licence: £89

4. That the licensing department consults with existing sex establishments within Stevenage, the nominated responsible authorities as stated under the Licensing Act 2003, and holders of Licensing Act 2003 premises licences/club premises certificates that permit the consumption of alcohol on the premises as to the proposed policy set out in Appendix I and report any responses received to the General Purposes Committee before having the policy formally adopted.

Note: The report will be submitted to Council on 23 February 2011.

#### **4. URGENT PART I BUSINESS**

None

#### **5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was **RESOLVED**:

- 1. That, under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1-7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by SI2006 No.88.
- 2. That, having considered the reasons for the following report being in Part II, it be agreed that maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighs the public interest in disclosure

#### **6. PART II MINUTES – 14 OCTOBER 2010**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Part II Minutes of the General Purposes Committee held on, 14 October 2010 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair

**7. URGENT PART II BUSINESS**

None.

**The Chair**