

Report of: Interim Assistant Director of Law

Meeting of: Licensing Committee

Date: 16 May 2023

Ward(s): All wards

Appointment of the Licensing Sub-Committees for the Municipal Year 2023/2024 and Delegation of Licensing Functions

1. Synopsis

This report proposes the appointment of the Licensing Sub-Committees, the approval of their terms of reference and the delegation of licensing functions to the Licensing Sub-Committees and to officers.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That four Licensing Sub-Committees be established for the municipal year 2023/2024 with the terms of reference set out in Appendix 1 of the report and that all functions falling within the terms of reference be delegated to them;
- 2.2 That the following members, Chairs and Vice-Chairs, be appointed for the municipal year 2023/2024 or until successors are appointed.

Licensing Sub-Committee A:

Members:	Substitute:
Councillor Heather Staff (Chair) Councillor Valerie Bossman-Quarshie (Vice-Chair) Councillor Praful Nargund	All other members of the Licensing Committee.

Licensing Sub-Committee B:

Members:	Substitute:
Councillor Bashir Ibrahim (Chair) Councillor Nick Wayne (Vice-Chair) Councillor Ilkay Cinko-Oner	All other members of the Licensing Committee.

Licensing Sub-Committee C:

Members:	Substitute:
Councillor Angelo Weekes (Chair) Councillor Asima Shaikh (Vice-Chair) Councillor Joseph Croft	All other members of the Licensing Committee.

Licensing Sub-Committee D:

Members:	Substitute:
Councillor Phil Graham (Chair) Councillor Marian Spall (Vice-Chair) Councillor Clare Jeapes	All other members of the Licensing Committee.

2.3 That, it be noted that, the following are members of the Licensing Committee and are substitutes for all of the Licensing Sub-Committees:-

Councillor Ben Mackmurdie
Councillor Matt Nathan
Councillor Ernestas Jegorovas-Armstrong

2.4 That the Terms of Reference for the Licensing Committee as set out in Appendix 2 be noted.

3. Background

- 3.1 Licensing Sub-Committees are established under the Licensing Act 2003. They may exercise licensing functions (as defined by the Licensing Act 2003 and licensing functions under the Gambling Act 2005) other than functions specifically reserved to the Council, which are delegated to them by the Licensing Committee
- 3.2 The Licensing Committee may also delegate its functions to officers of the Council, subject to restrictions set out in the Act where relevant representations or police objections are received.
- 3.3 Functions under schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended are the responsibility of the Council. Under section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council may arrange for the discharge of these responsibilities by a committee or sub-committee of the Council.

4. Implications

4.1. **Financial Implications**

The costs associated with the Licensing Committee and the Sub-Committees are met through the Council budget.

4.2. **Legal Implications**

The Licensing Act 2003 requires that each licensing authority establish a licensing committee of between ten and fifteen members. A licensing committee may form one or more sub-committees, each comprising three members of the committee.

The licensing committee may sub-delegate its functions to one or more sub-committees, or to an officer of the licensing authority.

A Licensing Sub-Committee when dealing with an application for a sex establishment licence will not be acting as a sub-committee under the Licensing Act 2003 but would instead be exercising their functions under schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.

4.3. **Environmental Implications and contribution to achieving a net zero carbon Islington by 2030**

There are no environmental impacts arising from this report.

4.4. **Equalities Impact Assessment**

The council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant

protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding.

An Equalities Impact Assessment is not required in relation to this report, because the contents of the report relate to a purely administrative function and will not impact on residents.

5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendations

Approval of the recommendation is required to ensure the Sub-Committees are properly constituted.

Appendices:

- Appendix 1 – Terms of Reference of the Sub-Committees.
- Appendix 2 – Terms of Reference of the Licensing Committee.
- Appendix 3 – Licensing Sub-Committee meeting dates 2023/2024.

Background papers:

- None.

Final report clearance:

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