

Name of meeting	LICENSING COMMITTEE
Date and Time	MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2023 COMMENCING AT 4.00PM
Venue	COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT
Present	Cllrs M Beston (Chairman), I Ward (Vice-Chairman), D Andre, J Bacon, P Fuller, J Jones-Evans, C Mosdell and C Quirk
Also Present	Andrea Bull, Ben Gard and Kevin Winchcombe
Apologies	Cllrs S Ellis and Redrup

14. **Apologies and Changes in Membership (if any)**

Apologies were received from Cllrs S Ellis and S Redrup

15. **Minutes**

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 12 June 2023 be approved.

16. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

17. **Public Question Time**

There were no public questions.

18. **Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.

19. **Report of the Director of Strategic Director of Community Services**

20. **Statement of Licensing Policy 2024 -2029**

The Licensing Manager explained that it was a statutory requirement to review the policy every five years. The current policy, which would expire in January 2024, had been reviewed and updated and had been subject to public consultation for a period

of six weeks from 5 September 2023. The policy had been further updated to take into account some of the representations received.

Confirmation was given that there were regulations in place to preclude all types of single use vessels.

Following some discussion and clarification of a number of issues, Option 2 was recommended to the Committee and it was

RESOLVED:

To recommend adoption of the draft revised Statement of Licensing Policy 2024-2029 to Full Council, subject to minor amendments as deemed necessary, these being:

1. The link at paragraph 4.14 to the Public Space Protection Order page to be updated.
2. A paragraph to be included requiring non-glass drinking vessels to be reusable and made from biodegradable and or recyclable materials.
3. A paragraph to be inserted where officers will encourage the use of reusable and biodegradable material when non glass products are preferred.
4. Paragraph 10.16 regarding plastic drinking vessels to be updated to ensure that alternative drinking vessels needed to be reusable and made from biodegradable and or recyclable materials.
5. A paragraph to be inserted to encourage licensed premises to use packaging used for takeaway meals to be made from biodegradable and or recyclable materials.
6. A paragraph to be inserted to encourage the training of staff in respect of safeguarding children, in particular where children may attend a premises late at night.
7. Numbering throughout to be checked and amended as necessary.

It was noted that some of the above requirements had already been completed between publication of the papers and the meeting itself. An updated policy would be presented to Full Council for adoption on 17 January 2024.

21. **Members' Question Time**

There were no Members' questions.

CHAIRMAN