

Licensing Committee

26 May 2017

Annual Report of the Licensing Miscellaneous Committee for the 2016-2017 Municipal Year

1. Summary Statement

1.1 The former Licensing (Miscellaneous) Committee determined all matters in relation to the Council's powers and duties under the following Acts and Regulations:-

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963;

Town Police Clauses Act 1847;

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976;

House to House Collections Act 1939;

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982;

Theatres Act 1968;

The Police, Factories etc. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1916;

Consumer Credit Act 1974;

Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975.

1.2 The Committee submits an annual report to Council each year which details activities undertaken throughout the year and identified outcomes of the Committee.

2. Recommendation

2.1 That the Licensing (Miscellaneous) Committee Annual Report for the 2016-2017 Municipal Year, be approved for submission to Council on 18 July 2017.

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3. Strategic Resource Implications

3.1 There are no strategic resource implications arising from this report.

4. Legal and Statutory Implications

- 4.1 In making its decisions, the Committee considered the following elements of the Human Rights Act 1998:-
 - i) Article 6 which states that in determination of a person's civil rights and obligations, everyone is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial tribunal established by law;
 - ii) Article 8 which states that everyone has the right to respect for his private and family life, his home and his correspondence;
 - iii) Part II, Article 1 of the Act which states that every natural or legal person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his possessions. No one shall be deprived of his possessions except in the public interest and subject to the conditions provided for by law and by the general principles on international law.

5. Implications for the Scorecard Priorities

- 5.1 The Licensing process contributes to the Scorecard priority of Great Prospects by making opportunities available for employment locally. The service indirectly supports great prospects by investing in business, people and jobs.
- 5.2 Through the provision of the Private Hire and Hackney Carriage licensing service, the Licensing Section is committed to contributing to the Scorecard Priority of Great Place.
- 5.3 The Committee carries out its role with a view to ensuring the public are kept safe from harm.

6. **Background Details**

6.1 The Annual Report 2016-2017 is attached.

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