



## Notice of meeting of

### **Gambling & Licensing Acts Committee**

**To:** Councillors Cregan (Chair), D'Agorne, Funnell, Sue Galloway, Hyman, Merrett, Moore, Horton, Wiseman (Vice-Chair), B Watson, Taylor, Sunderland, Runciman, Reid and Gillies

**Date:** Friday, 5 October 2007

**Time:** 2.00 pm

**Venue:** The Guildhall

## **AGENDA**

### **1. Declarations of Interest**

At this point Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

### **2. Minutes** (Pages 3 - 4)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

### **3. Public Participation**

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Committee's remit can do so. Anyone who wishes to register or requires further information is requested to contact the Democracy Officer on the contact details listed at the foot of this agenda. The deadline for registering is Thursday 4th October 2007 at 5pm.

**4. Tourism Progress Report and Update** (Pages 5 - 12)

The report informs the Committee of current issues affecting the tourism/visitor economy. It outlines key points in the Tourism Strategy and Action Plan, adopted in 2007, and the key findings of an Evening Economy report which was endorsed by the Council's Executive in July 2007. It emphasises the desire for a high quality and varied visitor offer in order to maximise the economic benefits arising from tourism.

**5. Revision of Statutory Guidance to Licensing Act 2003** (Pages 13 - 28)

This report advises members of changes to the guidance accompanying the Licensing Act 2003 to which they are required to have regard to in making related licensing decisions.

**6. Review of Licensing Policy (Licensing Act 2003)** (Pages 29 - 162)

This report advises members of the review of the council's licensing policy, of the consultation undertaken and of the changes made as a result of the revised guidance and legislative changes. The report seeks a recommendation to full council that the revised policy be approved.

**7. Members Involvement in Licensing Appeals and the Introduction of the Summary Review Process** (Pages 163 - 168)

This report examines the process involved in appeals made to the magistrates court against decisions of the Licensing Act and Gambling Act Sub committees. It looks at the options for member involvement in that process and seeks a determination of future policy. The report also advises members of the impact of the Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 on the hearing process.

**8. Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972**

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