

CITY OF NOTTINGHAM

LICENSING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of meeting held on **27 NOVEMBER 2006** at the

Council House from 11.02 am to 12.23 pm

Councillor Cresswell (Chair)
Councillor Grocock (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Charlesworth
Councillor Clarke-Smith
Councillor Cobb
Councillor Heppell
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor James
Councillor G Khan
Councillor Marshall
Councillor Morris
Councillor Packer
Councillor Smith
Councillor Stapleton

indicates present at meeting

11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Grocock and Ibrahim.

12 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made.

13 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting, held on 28 June 2006, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

14 ANNUAL REPORT BY NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE ON THE LICENSING ACT 2003

Consideration was given to a report of Chief Officer of Nottinghamshire Police, copies of which were circulated at the meeting detailing the impact of the Licensing Act 2003 over the last year.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

15 GAMBLING POLICY

Further to minute 9, of the meeting held on 28 June 2006, consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of City Development, copies of which had been circulated. The report informed members that in its role as Licensing Authority for the purpose of the Gambling Act, the City Council had to approve and publish its first Statement of Gambling Policy. Before adopting the policy the City Council, at its meeting in December 2006, may resolve that it would not issue any premises licences for the new type of casino recently introduced by the regime, any such resolution would then be reproduced in the policy.

The Committee was informed that the Executive Board at its meeting of 21 November 2006 had determined to recommend that Council adopt such a resolution. The Committee was also informed that officer's intended to amend the Draft policy attached to the report at paragraphs 11.17 and 11.19 to require applicants for Prize Gaming Permits and Unlicensed Family Entertainment Centres to undergo checks with the Criminal Records Bureau as part of the application process to assist the promotion of the licensing objectives.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the potential for full Council to adopt a resolution under s166 of the Gambling Act, not to issue casino licences and the Executive Board's views on this matter be noted;**
- (2) that the contents of the Draft Statement of Gambling Policy and the proposed amendments to it be noted.**