

Medway Council
Meeting of Licensing and Safety Committee
Wednesday, 11 March 2020
6.00pm to 6.04pm

Record of the meeting

Subject to approval as an accurate record at the next meeting of this committee

Present: Councillors: Adeoye, Bhutia, Browne, Mrs Diane Chambers (Chairman), Fearn (Vice-Chairman), McDonald, Prenter and Mrs Elizabeth Turpin

Substitutes: Councillors:
Sylvia Griffin (Substitute for Kemp)
Thorne (Substitute for Hackwell)

In Attendance: Vicky Nutley, Assistant Head of Legal Services
Stephen Platt, Democratic Services Officer

755 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hackwell and Kemp.

756 Record of meeting

The record of the meeting held on 27 August 2019 was agreed and signed by the Chairman as correct.

757 Urgent matters by reason of special circumstances

There were none.

758 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests

Disclosable pecuniary interests

There were none.

Other significant interests (OSIs)

There were none.

Other interests

There were none.

759 Byelaw provisions review

Discussion:

The Assistant Head of Legal presented a confirmatory report regarding the adoption of byelaws in relation to Pleasure Boats and Vessels and Skin Piercing. The Committee noted that, during 1997/1998, when Medway had operated as a Shadow Authority prior to becoming a Unitary Authority, a review of byelaws had been carried out and it had been decided that the existing Pleasure Boats and Vessels byelaws were to be enlarged to encompass the whole of Medway. As the relevant Full Council minute was missing from the Council's archives, it was now necessary to seek Full Council's confirmation that the Pleasure Boats byelaws first adopted in 1936 remain adopted and were in force across the whole of Medway.

The byelaws for Skin Piercing, which were made available to local authorities in the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, had been adopted and remain in force. However, they were missing a section of standard wording which would be applied if they were adopted now. It was now common practice to add the words "and any subsequent amendments" to the end of a description of legislation being adopted.

Decision:

The Licensing and Safety Committee recommended that:

- a) Full Council resolves to confirm that the byelaws in relation to Pleasure Boats and Vessels first adopted in 1936 remain adopted and are in force across the whole of Medway.
- b) Full Council resolves to re-adopt the provisions of Section 15 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 and any subsequent amendment thereto.

Chairman

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