

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5 June 2018 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 6.00pm.

Present: Councillors; Mrs Bunker, Cooke, Davies, Gallagher, Gill and Mrs Hill.

Also Present:

Independent Person: Mr R Meacham.

Officer: Mr G Leach (Democratic Services Manager & Deputy Monitoring Officer).

1. Apologies and Substitutes

- (a) Apologies were received from Councillor Margrave and Independent Person, Mr Tomkinson.
- (b) There were no substitutes.

2. Appointment of Chairman of the Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cooke, duly seconded; and

Resolved that Councillor Gallagher be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

3. Appointment of Vice-Chairman of the Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Gallagher, duly second; and

Resolved that Councillor Davies be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

4. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

5. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 November 2017 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

6. Appointment of Independent Persons

Mr R Meacham and Mr R Tomkinson were recommended for appointment of Independent Persons for the Council in line with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2015.

Recommended to Council that Mr R Meacham and Mr R Tomkinson be recommended for appointment of Independent Persons for the Council in line with

7. **Urgent Item – Use of “JP” suffix after a Councillor’s name when determining applications at a Licensing & Regulatory Sub-Committee**

The Chairman, Councillor Gallagher, tabled an urgent item to be discussed at the Committee in respect of the use of “JP” after a Councillor’s name when determining applications at a Licensing & Regulatory (L&R) Sub-Committee.

The Committee was mindful of the perception this could create when determining applications which were subject to potential appeals to magistrates; specifically the potential to influence or reduce the chance of an appeal. Based on this, the Committee recommended to the L&R Committee Members that when they sat on these Sub-Committees, they should not use the “JP” suffix after their name.

(The meeting ended at 6.15 pm)



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