Licensing Committee – Terms of Reference and Procedure

The Committee has the responsibility and delegated powers to act on behalf of the Council in respect of licensing matters within the Borough as follows.

Licensing and registration functions

(a) As set out in Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000/2853 (as amended) and including functions under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005 (excluding paragraphs 37/38 and 46A – 55).

Health & Safety at Work/ Fire Safety

- (b) Functions under any of the relevant statutory provisions within the meaning of Part I (health, safety and welfare in connection with work, and control of dangerous substances) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, to the extent that those functions are discharged otherwise than in the Council's capacity as an employer.
- (c) Matters relating to fire safety.

Health Act 2006

(d) All powers and duties under the Health Act 2006 Part 1 Chapter 1 and legislation given effect there under including authority to prosecute as it relates to smoking matters.

Miscellaneous

- (e) Power to make payments or provide other benefits in cases of maladministration etc.
- (f) Powers in respect of common land, village greens and open space.
- (g) Powers in respect of the management and regulation of alcohol in public places, the provision and management of sites for the accommodation of gypsies and the closure of take away food shops.
- (h) Annually at the first meeting after the Annual Council Meeting consider its terms of reference.
- (i) Power to determine fees and charges in respect of any of the above functions.

PROCEDURE

(a) As a general rule the <u>Council Procedure Rules</u> govern the way that committees operate but these, with the exception of paragraph 14 of the Council Procedure Rules, may be varied or suspended at the discretion of the Chairman of the Committee in the interests of efficient and effective management of the committee.

Separate procedures will apply when the committee is undertaking administrative or quasi-judicial functions to ensure a fair hearing.