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Our Ref: KB

Dear Sir/Madam,

A meeting of the **LICENSING COMMITTEE** will be held in the Council Chamber on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 at 6.00 p.m.** 

Please note that meetings will be recorded for future publication on the Council's website.

Yours faithfully,

**BRENT DAVIS** 

**Chief Executive** 

To: All Members of the Licensing Committee

Councillors R. Tromans (Chair), T. Sheppard (Vice-Chair)

Councillors J. Clarke, J. Coventry-Moreton, S. Croft, K. Evans,

J. Gutteridge, G. Moreton, N. Phillips, J. Singh and M.

**Tromans** 

#### AGENDA

#### **PART I - PUBLIC BUSINESS**

#### 1. EVACUATION PROCEDURE

A fire drill is not expected, so if the alarm sounds please evacuate the building quickly and calmly. Please use the stairs and do not use the lifts. Once out of the building, please gather outside Lloyds Bank on the opposite side of the road.

Exit by the door by which you entered the room or by the fire exits which are clearly indicated by the standard green fire exit signs.

If you need any assistance in evacuating the building, please make yourself known to a member of staff.

Please also make sure all your mobile phones are turned off or set to silent.

- 2. <u>APOLOGIES</u> To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.
- 3. <u>MINUTES</u> To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 attached (Page 4)

#### 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

Declaring interests at meetings

If there is any item of business to be discussed at the meeting in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest or non- pecuniary interest (Other Interests), you must declare the interest appropriately at the start of the meeting or as soon as you become aware that you have an interest.

Arrangements have been made for interests that are declared regularly by members to be appended to the agenda (Page 9). Any interest noted in the Schedule at the back of the agenda papers will be deemed to have been declared and will be minuted as such by the Democratic Services Officer. As a general rule, there will, therefore, be no need for those Members to declare those interests as set out in the schedule.

There are, however, TWO EXCEPTIONS to the general rule:

1. When the interest amounts to a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest that is engaged in connection with any item on the agenda and the member feels that the interest is such that they must leave the room. Prior to leaving the room, the member must inform the meeting that they are doing so, to ensure that it is recorded in the minutes.

2. Where a dispensation has been granted to vote and/or speak on an item where there is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, but it is not referred to in the Schedule (where for example, the dispensation was granted by the Monitoring Officer immediately prior to the meeting). The existence and nature of the dispensation needs to be recorded in the minutes and will, therefore, have to be disclosed at an appropriate time to the meeting.

Note: Following the adoption of the new Code of Conduct, Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interests at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary or a Deemed Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, the Member must withdraw from the room.

Where a Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest but has received a dispensation from Standards Committee, that Member may vote and/or speak on the matter (as the case may be) and must disclose the existence of the dispensation and any restrictions placed on it at the time the interest is declared.

Where a Member has a Deemed Disclosable Interest as defined in the Code of Conduct, the Member may address the meeting as a member of the public as set out in the Code.

Note: Council Procedure Rules require Members with Disclosable Pecuniary Interests to withdraw from the meeting unless a dispensation allows them to remain to vote and/or speak on the business giving rise to the interest.

Where a Member has a Deemed Disclosable Interest, the Council's Code of Conduct permits public speaking on the item, after which the Member is required by Council Procedure Rules to withdraw from the meeting.

- 5. <u>PUBLIC CONSULTATION</u> Members of the Public will be given the opportunity to speak on specific agenda items, if notice has been received.
- 6. <u>ANY OTHER ITEMS</u> which in the opinion of the Chair should be discussed as a <u>matter of urgency</u> because of special circumstances (which must be specified).
- 7. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RECOMMENDED that under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, it being likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information of the description specified in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

8. <u>HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER NEW APPLICATION</u> a report of the Director – Public Services

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### NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

#### LICENSING COMMITTEE

17th October 2023

A meeting of the Licensing Committee was held at the Town Hall, Nuneaton on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 and was recorded for future publication on the NBBC website.

#### **Present**

Councillor R. Tromans (Chair)

Councillors J. Clarke, J. Coventry-Moreton, J. Gutteridge, G. Moreton, J. Singh, and M. Tromans.

Apologies: Councillors S. Croft, N. Phillips, and T. Sheppard.

#### PART I - PUBLIC BUSINESS

#### LIC01 Minutes

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023, be approved and signed by the Chair.

#### LIC02 Declarations of Interest

**RESOLVED** that Declarations of Interest for this meeting, are as set out in the Schedule attached to these minutes with the following amendment:

Councillor J. Clarke declared that he is no longer a member representative on the Festival of Arts outside body.

# LIC03 Hackney Carriage, Private Hire Drivers, Operators and Vehicle Proprietor Licensing Policy and Vehicle Licensing Policy

The Strategic Director – Public Services submitted a report for the Licensing Committee to consider the above policies following amendments and a consultation.

#### **RESOLVED** that

- a) the Hackney Carriage, Private Hire Drivers, Operators and Vehicle Proprietor Licensing Policy be adopted with the following amendment at 7.2.1 to delete 'sub-committee' from the paragraph; and
- b) the amendment to the Vehicle Licensing Policy be adopted.

LIC04	Any Other Items			
	None			
			Chair	

## Licensing - Schedule of Declarations of Interests - 2023/2024

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General dispensations granted to all members under s.33 of the Localism Act 2011			Granted to all members of the Council in the areas of:  - Housing matters - Statutory sick pay under Part XI of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 - An allowance, payment given to members - An indemnity given to members - Any ceremonial honour given to members - Setting council tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 - Planning and Licensing matters - Allotments - Local Enterprise Partnership
J. Clarke	Employed by Marcus Jones MP	County Councillor W.C.C.  Nuneaton Conservative Association; Deputy Chairman  Officer of the Abbey Preceptory No.541 - Nuneaton  Member of the following Outside Bodies:  • Nuneaton Festival of Arts	
J. Coventry- Moreton	School Receptionist  – St Nichola Chamberlaine School, Bedworth	Share in rental dwelling at Sealand Drive, Bedworth and Tresilian Road, Bedworth.	
S. Croft	Employed at Holland & Barrett Retail Ltd	Treasurer of the Conservative Association Member of the following Outside Bodies:	

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		Membership of Other Bodies:  • Substitute Member of the West Midlands Combined Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee	
		Member of the Bedworth Conservative Club Member of the Conservative Party.	
J. Gutteridge		Representative on the following Outside Bodies:  Warwickshire Health and Wellbeing Board  Age UK (Warwickshire Branch)  Committee of Management of Hartshill and Nuneaton Recreation Ground  West Midlands Combined Authority Wellbeing Board	
		Member of NABCEL	
G. Moreton	Member of School Appeals Panels at Warwickshire County Council	Share in rental dwellings at Sealand Drive, Bedworth and Tresillian Road, Exhall.  Member on the following Outside Bodies:  Bedworth Neighbourhood Watch Committee	
N. Phillips	Employee of DWP	<ul> <li>Member of:</li> <li>Nuneaton Labour CLP</li> <li>The Fabian Society</li> <li>The George Eliot Society</li> <li>The PCS Union</li> <li>Central Credit Union</li> <li>Stockingford Sports and Allotment Club</li> <li>Haunchwood Sports and Social Club</li> </ul>	
T. Sheppard (Vice-Chair)		Member of Unite Union Member of Labour Party	

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M. Tromans	Warwickshire County Councillor (Galley Common)  Share in a rental property in Hydes Pastures, Nuneaton	Member of WI  Member of the Conservative Party	
R. Tromans (Chair)	Compliance, GIM, Coventry  Warwickshire County Councillor (Weddington)  Share in a rental property in Hydes Pastures, Nuneaton	Member of the Chartered Institute of Credit Management	

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J. Singh	Owner of business named Gardening under Rural Services based at Sedgies, Bedworth.		
M. Tromans	Warwickshire County Councillor (Galley Common)	Member of WI  Member of the Conservative	

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R. Tromans (Chair)	Compliance, GIM, Coventry	Member of the Chartered Institute of Credit Management	
	Warwickshire County Councillor (Weddington)	Representative and the West Midlands Combined Transport Overview and Scrutiny Panel	
	Share in a rental property in Hydes Pastures, Nuneaton	Member of the Conservative Party	