

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
LICENSING COMMITTEE (LICENSING ACT 2003 FUNCTIONS)

3.00pm 13 OCTOBER 2022

COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL

DECISION LIST

Part One

27 REVIEW OF LICENSING PANEL ARRANGEMENTS

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RESOLVED:

1. That Committee notes the ongoing risk of fluctuation in relation to Covid infection rates as well as the additional benefits of holding virtual meetings in terms of enabling participation in the Licensing process and recommends that Licensing Panels continue to meet virtually until March 2023. This does not preclude holding a panel hearing in person where the individual circumstances of an application may warrant it.

2. That Committee delegates authority to the Executive Director - Governance, People & Resources after consultation with the Chair and group spokespersons to determine arrangements for Licensing Panel hearings until the next Licensing Committee in March 2023.

3. That the Committee recommends that in exercising this authority the above officer takes into account all relevant factors including latest public health and government guidance, the situation with other council meetings and the need to ensure fair and transparent procedures in accordance with the Hearings Regulations 2005.