

# Licensing Committee (Licensing Act 2003 Functions)

Date: **18 June 2026**

Time: **3.00pm**

Venue: **Council Chamber, Hove Town Hall**

**Councillors:** Czolak (Chair), Cattell (Deputy Chair), Bagaeen, Davis, Gauge, Helliwell, Hewitt, Lyons, Miller, Nann, Parrott, Pickett, Sheard, Sykes and Thomson

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# AGENDA

Part One

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## 1 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

**(a) Declaration of Substitutes:** Where Councillors are unable to attend a meeting, a substitute Member from the same Political Group may attend, speak and vote in their place for that meeting.

### **(b) Declarations of Interest:**

- (a) Disclosable pecuniary interests
- (b) Any other interests required to be registered under the local code;
- (c) Any other general interest as a result of which a decision on the matter might reasonably be regarded as affecting you or a partner more than a majority of other people or businesses in the ward/s affected by the decision.

In each case, you need to declare

- (i) the item on the agenda the interest relates to;
- (ii) the nature of the interest; and
- (iii) whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest or some other interest.

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**(c) Exclusion of Press and Public:** To consider whether, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, or the nature of the proceedings, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting when any of the following items are under consideration.

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## 2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2025.

## 3 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

## 4 CALLOVER

- (a) All agenda items will be read out at the meeting and Members invited to reserve the items for consideration.

- (b) Those items not reserved will be taken as having been received and the reports' recommendations agreed.

## 5 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

To consider the following matters raised by members of the public:

- (a) **Petitions:** to receive any petitions presented to the full council or at the meeting itself;
- (b) **Written Questions:** to receive any questions submitted by the due date of 12 noon on the 8 June 2026;
- (c) **Deputations:** to receive any deputations submitted by the due date of 12 noon on the 8 June 2026.

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- (b) **Written Questions:** to consider any written questions;
- (c) **Letters:** to consider any letters;
- (d) **Notices of Motion:** to consider any Notices of Motion referred from Council or submitted directly to the Committee.

## 7 CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS RE LICENSING COMMITTEE AND FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS FOR LICENSING PANEL HEARINGS

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## 8 ITEMS REFERRED FOR COUNCIL

To consider items to be submitted to the next Full Council meeting for information.

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

**3.00PM 6 NOVEMBER 2025**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Councillors McGregor (Chair), Cattell (Deputy Chair), Davis, Hewitt, Lyons, Nann, Parrott, Sheard, Sykes, Asaduzzaman, Goddard and Shanks

**Apologies:** Councillors Thomson, Czolak and Pickett

**PART ONE**

**1 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS**

**(a) Declarations of Substitutes**

- 1.1 Councillor Goddard was present in substitution for Councillor Thomson.
- 1.2 Councillor Asaduzzaman was present in substitution for Councillor Czolak.
- 1.3 Councillor Shanks was present in substitution for Councillor Pickett.

**(b) Declarations of Interest**

- 1.2 There were no declarations of interests in matters listed on the agenda.

**(c) Exclusion of Press and Public**

- 1.3 The Committee considered whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of any of the items listed on the agenda.
- 1.4 **RESOLVED:** That there be no exclusion of press and public from the meeting.

**35 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the Licensing Committee (Licensing Act 2003 Functions) Meeting held on 24 July 2025 be agreed.

**36 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

**37 CALLOVER**

The Democratic Services Officer stated the items on the agenda and the following were called for discussion by the committee:

- Item 7: REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY 2026

**5 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT****6 MEMBER INVOLVEMENT****7 REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY 2026**

7.1 Alex Evans introduced the report for this item.

7.2 Cllr Parrott questioned why 27% of respondents opposed the good operator policy.

7.3 The Chair stated that there were concerns regarding the relaxing of licensing laws, but that results had shown that operators were largely in favour of the proposed policy.

7.4 Cllr Sykes questioned what changes had been made to the draft statement of licensing policy since it was seen by the committee in July 2025.

7.5 The Chair stated that no changes to the licensing objectives were made at a local level.

7.6 Cllr Goddard praised the draft policy and commended its safety-first approach. Cllr Goddard questioned what was next for the licensing team.

7.7 The Chair stated that involving the culture team to make nightlife safer was a potential next objective for the wider licensing team.

7.8 Cllr Shanks questioned whether the licensing and planning teams could be brought closer together and questioned whether public health was in the remit of the licensing team.

7.9 The Chair stated that there was already an overlap in the work conducted by the licensing and planning teams but iterated that they are strictly separate regimes.

7.10 Alex Evans provided a brief overview of the relationship between planning and licensing, stating that the licensing team liaise with the planning team when necessary.

7.11 Cllr Sheard commended the report and questioned how homosexual sexual crimes could be further prevented in single gender spaces.

7.12 The Chair shared their experience with beach patrols and night marshals, citing both as examples of how sexual crimes can be reduced and prevented in the city.

7.13 Cllr Nann expressed support for the draft policy.

7.14 Cllr Davis questioned how the responses to consultation processes could be improved.

RESOLVED:

2.1 That Committee agreed the revisions to the Statement of Licensing Policy (appendix A) incorporating the main revisions as follow.

2.1.1 Replace the current Cumulative Impact Zone (CIZ) with a City Safety Area (CSA). Detailed in 3.1 of the revised Statement of Licensing Policy (SoLP)

2.1.2 Retain the current Special Stress Area (SSA) and other areas. (detailed at 3.3 of the draft SoLP)

2.1.3 A focus on safety as the central priority and introduction of a new set of best practice measures for the CSA and SSA which can be found in the revised Statement of Licensing Policy (SoLP) Appendix A.

2.1.4 Update the current Matrix approach and table to include new categories of premises including Grassroots Music Venues and changes to the hours for some types of premises which can be found at 3.4 in the revised Statement of Licensing Policy (SoLP)

2.1.5 Introduce a 'Good Operator Policy' which can be found at 3.5 in the revised Statement of Licensing Policy

2.1.6 Update nighttime economy safeguarding initiatives see section 4 of the policy. Add to the policy sections on LGBTQ+ venues and inclusivity at 1.9. Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG), at 4.1 Modern Slavery at 1.12 and Martyn's Law at 7.1.5.

2.2 That the revised Statement of Licensing Policy was referred to Full Council for adoption. See Appendix A for a copy of the revised statement of licensing policy.

## 8 ITEMS REFERRED FOR COUNCIL

The Review of Statement of Licensing Policy 2026 was referred to Full Council.

The meeting concluded at 4.20pm

Signed

Chair

Dated this

day of



<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Constitutional matters re Licensing Committee and future arrangements for Licensing Panel Hearings</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>Licensing Committee 18 June 2026</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Director, Governance &amp; Law</b>
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**For general release**

## **1. Purpose of the report and policy context**

- 1.1. This report sets out the position with regard the Council's Licensing Committee. It considers its terms of reference and recommends the appointment of licensing panels and an urgency sub-committee.
- 1.2. The report also notes the powers of the Licensing Committee to make its own arrangements in relation to the conduct of Licensing Panels convened under the Licensing Act 2003 (Licensing Panels). The report recommends that members review current arrangements and approve the holding of Licensing Panels virtually. It also asks Committee to delegate authority to the Director of Governance and Law - after consultation with lead members - to determine the future conduct of Licensing Panels until such time as arrangements are further reviewed by this Committee in June 2027. The intention of this last proposal is to retain sufficient flexibility in arrangements to ensure that any relevant public health and government advice may be swiftly responded to.

## **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1. That the committee's terms of reference, as set out in Appendix A to this report, be noted.
- 2.2. That the Committee establish the Licensing Panel as a sub-committee to deal with licensing applications in accordance with the Terms of Reference set out at Appendix A to this report. The membership of such Licensing Panels shall consist of three Members drawn from those Members appointed to the Licensing Committee who have received relevant training.
- 2.3. That the Committee agree to disapply the proportionality rules so far as a Licensing Panel is concerned in accordance with the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990;

- 2.4. That an Urgency Sub-Committee be further established, consisting of the Chair of the Committee and two other Members (nominated in accordance with the scheme for the allocation of seats for committees), to exercise the Committee's powers in relation to matters of urgency, on which it is necessary to make a decision before the next ordinary meeting of the Committee be approved.
- 2.5. That having noted the benefits of holding virtual meetings - both in terms of enabling greater participation in the Licensing process, and in ensuring the most efficient use of resources - Committee resolves that Licensing Panels continue to meet virtually until such time as these arrangements are further reviewed by this Committee in June 2027.
- 2.6. That Committee delegates authority to the Director of Law and Governance, after consultation with the Chair and Deputy, to determine arrangements for Licensing Panel hearings should any changes be required before the next scheduled meeting of the Licensing Committee.
- 2.7. That the Committee recommends that in exercising the authority given pursuant to recommendation 2.6, the Director of Law and Governance take into account all relevant factors including any relevant public health and government guidance, the approach taken to other council meetings and the need to ensure fair and transparent procedures in accordance with the Hearings Regulations 2005.

### 3. Context and background information Licensing Committee

- 3.1. **Terms of Reference:** A copy of the terms of reference for the committee is attached as Appendix A.
- 3.2. **Membership:** The membership of the committee is set at 15 Members of the Council.
- 3.3. **Licensing Panel:** A pool of councillors shall be created, comprised of those Members of the Licensing Committee who have received relevant training, who may be called on to form a licensing panel or to substitute for any other member.
- 3.4. Rule 5 of Part 3C of the Council's Constitution provides that each Committee of the Council may appoint an Urgency Sub-Committee to exercise its powers. The Membership of any such Urgency Sub-Committee shall consist of the Chair of the Committee, as well as two other Members nominated by the Group Leader or Leaders as appropriate to meet the requirements for the allocation of seats between political groups.' Under current allocations this would mean an urgency subcommittee will consist of two Members from the Administration and one Member from the Official Opposition on the Council.
- 3.5. Such Urgency Sub-Committees may exercise their powers in relation to matters of urgency on which it is necessary to make a decision before the next ordinary meeting of the Committee. Every decision of each Urgency Sub-

Committee shall be reported for information to the next ordinary meeting of the Committee as appropriate.

- 3.6. Following the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic the Government enabled local authorities to hold 'virtual' meetings under the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 ('the Regulations'). These Regulations expired on the 7 May 2021 and a subsequent Court decision confirmed that the Council must run those of its meetings which are governed by the Local Government Act 1972 with members and the public in attendance at a physical meeting.
- 3.7. However, Licensing Panels are established under different legislation (the Licensing Act 2003 and the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.) This means that Licensing Committees are empowered to regulate their own procedures and those of its sub-committees (the Licensing Panels). A recent High Court case has confirmed that remote licensing panels are lawful.
- 3.8. It is considered that remote attendance encourages wider participation in the licensing process generally, being less formal than an in-person meeting, more accessible and more convenient saving time on travel. The remote panels will continue to be webcast. Therefore, where the legal flexibility exists, as in this case, it seems sensible to continue with the virtual meetings.
- 3.9. The committee is thus invited to review the arrangements and decide if virtual meetings should continue or if attendance of members at Hove Town Hall is preferred with remote attendance still an option for other parties. The situation can be kept under review as appropriate. A decision to continue with virtual meetings does not preclude holding a hearing in person where the individual circumstances of an application warrant it.

#### **4. Analysis and consideration of alternative options**

- 4.1. Section 10 of Licensing Act 2003 permits this Committee to appoint a Sub-committee (in this case, a Licensing Panel), and to allocate functions to it.
- 4.2. The above provision also permits delegation to officers in the terms described above to avoid the need to convene further urgent committee meetings in a situation such as a pandemic. This approach enables a flexible response to changing national or local conditions.
- 4.3. The recommendation as to temporary Licensing Panel meetings is only temporary and is intended to next be reviewed by this Committee in June 2027. The alternative option - to revert to all in person meetings - While this is not recommended for the reasons set out in the report, the option of holding a Licensing Panel face to face will remain for circumstances where an individual application warrants it.

#### **5. Community engagement and consultation**

- 5.1. These are regulatory hearings, and the proceedings must give all parties the ability to participate as appropriate and enable the press and public to see and hear them.

## **6. Conclusion**

- 6.1. The Licensing Committee is empowered to appoint subcommittees (licensing panels) and determine the procedures of the same. It also has powers to delegate relevant functions, after appropriate consultation, to senior officers for a temporary period in the interests of effective and flexible decision making.

## **7. Financial implications**

- 7.1. There are no additional financial implications arising from this report.

## **8. Legal implications**

- 8.1. The Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations made under S9 of the Licensing Act 2003 allows the authority to determine its own procedures for its subcommittees (hearing panels). Such determination may also be delegated to officers in the way outlined in the report. While each licensing panel could determine its own procedure at the outset of each meeting, this is not considered to be practical given the need for advance notifications under the Hearings Regulations.

Name of lawyer consulted: **Victoria Simpson** Date consulted: **29.05.26**

## **9. Equalities implications**

- 9.1. The Council has a public sector equality duty under s149 of the Equality Act 2010. In the exercise of its functions, the Council must have due regard to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, and victimisation; advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and those that do not. Decisions as to procedures will always take this into account.

## **10. Sustainability implications**

- 10.1. No direct sustainability implications.

## **11. Other Implications**

- 11.1. **Public health implications:** Any decision to move to more face-to-face meetings will be informed by the latest public health guidance. Good practice would indicate that Members should not attend meetings where they have respiratory infections, and that good ventilation continues to be advised.





**Appendix A**

**Brighton and Hove City Council Constitution**

**PART 2B – Scheme of Delegation to Committees and Sub Committees**

**LICENSING COMMITTEE**

## **Explanatory Note**

The Licensing Committee is responsible for discharging the Council's functions under the Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005. The day-to-day decisions on individual applications are dealt with by the Licensing Panel.

## **Delegated Functions**

### **1. Licensing Act 2003**

- (a) To discharge all functions which, under the Act, stand referred to a Licensing Committee, including, but not limited to the following:
  - (i) Applications for a personal licences;
  - (ii) Applications for premises licence/club premises certificate;
  - (iii) Applications for provisional statement; (iv) Applications for Interim Authorities.
- (b) The powers of the Committee under 1(a) shall include the power to deal with all applicants for the grant, renewal, variation or revocation of any licence or consent or any actions which a Licensing Committee is required or authorised to take under the Licensing Act 2003.
- (c) The delegated powers of the Committee shall not include the adoption or review of the Statement of Licensing Policy (which are functions of Full Council).

### **2. Gambling Act 2005**

- (a) To discharge all functions which, under the Gambling Act 2005, stand referred to the Licensing Committee, including but not limited to the following:
  - (i) applications for premises licences;
  - (ii) applications for provisional statements;
  - (iii) applications for club gaming / club machine permits.
- (b) The powers of the Committee under 2(a) shall include the power to deal with all applications for the grant, renewal, variation, cancellation or revocation of any licence or consent or any actions which a Licensing Committee is required or authorised to take under the Gambling Act 2005.
- (c) The powers of the Committee shall also include the power to set fees pursuant to section 212 of the Gambling Act 2005 but shall not include the power to adopt or review the Statement of Licensing Policy, which is a function of Full Council.

### **3. Other Licensing and Registration Functions**

To discharge all the Council's functions regarding licensing and registration and any associated or connected functions.

## **Referred Functions**

- 1. To advise Full Council regarding the Statement of Licensing Policy under the Gambling Act 2005.

2. To advise Full Council regarding the Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003.
3. To advise the Council, Cabinet and other Committees on matters related to functions under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005 but are not themselves Licensing Act or Gambling Act functions.

## **LICENSING PANEL**

### **Explanatory Note**

The Licensing Panel is a Sub-Committee of the Licensing Committee. Its functions are to:

- Hear applications under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005 where the matter is authorised or required to be dealt with by a committee. These are usually, but not necessarily, cases where Officers do not have delegated powers or a hearing is required.
- Deal with appeals against licensing and registration decisions and cases where officers do not have the power to make determinations
- Serve as the appellate Committee where there is a right of appeal from a decision of an Officer and no other arrangements have been made under the Constitution; and
- Determine any other matter of a quasi-judicial nature which may be referred to it.

### **Delegated functions**

#### **1. Licensing Act Functions**

- (a) To deal with applications under the Licensing Act 2003 and make determinations on all matters required or authorised by the Act to be dealt with by a committee.
- (b) The powers under (a) above shall not include the adoption of the Statement of Licensing Policy.
- (c) Where, in the opinion of the Corporate Director City Services or other officer authorised by them, after consultation with the Chair of the Licensing Committee, an application is a major application having regard to the licensing objectives, the Director or other authorised officer may refer the matter to the Licensing Committee.

#### **2. Gambling Act 2005 Functions**

- (a) To deal with applications under the Gambling Act 2005 and make determinations on all matters required or authorised by the Act to be dealt with by a committee.
- (b) Where, in the opinion of the Corporate Director City Services or other Officer authorised by them, after consultation with the Chair of the Licensing Committee, an application is a major application having regard to the licensing objectives, the Director or authorised Officer may refer the matter to the Licensing Committee.

#### **3. Other Licensing and Registration Functions**

Within the policy framework set by the Council or the Licensing Committee, to exercise the Council's functions in relation to licensing and registration providing that the power shall not include the adoption, revocation or amendments of policies.

#### **4. Determinations and Appeals**

To hear and determine cases:

- (a) where there is a right (under the Human Rights Act 1998 or otherwise) to be given the opportunity to appear before and be heard by a committee or Sub-Committee of the Council and no other arrangements have been made under the Council's Constitution, or
- (b) where the case is referred to the Licensing Panel as it is considered to be a suitable forum for the determination of matters of fact and/or law, for example determinations relating to rights of way or the Council's definitive map of rights of way.

#### **5. General**

For the avoidance of doubt and without prejudice to the generality of 1 to 3 above, the powers of the Panel under those provisions shall include the power to deal with all applications for the grant, renewal, variation or revocation of any licence or consent or any actions (other than the adoption or review of a Licensing Policy) which a Licensing Committee is required or authorised to take under the Licensing Act 2003 or the Gambling Act 2005.

**NOTE:** Only Members who are members of the Licensing Committee who have received training mandated by the Council's Monitoring Officer may serve as members or substitute members of the Licensing Panel.

