



Subject:	Provision of Training for the Licensing Committee
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1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To identify the training needs for Members of the Licensing Committee to ensure that you have the appropriate level of knowledge regarding licensing matters and Committee procedures to assist with your decision-making process.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. identify any specific areas and topics that you consider essential to cover in a Licensing training programme.2. confirm a suitable format for the delivery of the training programme; and3. confirm a suitable date and time for the training programme to be delivered.

3.0	Main Report
	<p data-bbox="256 219 411 248"><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p data-bbox="256 282 975 313"><u>Licensing legislation and the role of the Committee</u></p> <p data-bbox="150 342 1455 405">3.1 Members are reminded that the Licensing Committee has delegated authority for determining the following matters, as noted below.</p> <p data-bbox="150 434 1455 497">3.2 Under the terms of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985, the Committee will, in relation to Entertainment Licences, consider:</p> <ul data-bbox="309 533 1347 763" style="list-style-type: none"> • applications for the grant of Outdoor Entertainments Licences; • applications for the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of licences where objections are received or where the proposed hours applied for are beyond 1.00 am; • suspension and revocation of licences; and • applications for a waiver to permit entertainment involving striptease or nudity. <p data-bbox="150 801 1455 864">3.3 Under the terms of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985, the Committee will, in relation to Sex Establishments, consider:</p> <ul data-bbox="309 900 1198 999" style="list-style-type: none"> • applications for the grant of licences; • applications for the renewal, transfer or variation of licences; and • revocation of licences. <p data-bbox="150 1037 1455 1099">3.4 Under the terms of the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (NI) Order 1985, the Committee will consider:</p> <ul data-bbox="309 1135 1370 1270" style="list-style-type: none"> • applications for the grant of Amusement and Pleasure Permits • applications for the renewal of Amusement Permits where adverse representations have been made; and • registration of Societies in relation to the running of lotteries. <p data-bbox="150 1308 1315 1339">3.5 Under the terms of the Street Trading Act (NI) 2001, the Committee will consider:</p> <ul data-bbox="309 1375 1370 1572" style="list-style-type: none"> • applications for the grant of licences; • applications for the renewal, transfer or variation of licences where objections are received; • revocation of licences; • designation or de-designation of streets or part thereof; and • setting of licence fees <p data-bbox="150 1610 1401 1673">3.6 Under the terms of the Licensing of Pavement Cafés Act (NI) 2014, the Committee will consider:</p> <ul data-bbox="309 1709 1370 1977" style="list-style-type: none"> • applications for the grant, renewal or variation of licences where adverse representations are received; • compulsory variation of licences; • revocation of licences; • setting of licence fees; and • suspension of licences except where in the public interest the Director, in consultation with the City Solicitor, considers that there are particular circumstances which make it necessary to suspend a licence immediately.

<p>3.7</p> <p>3.8</p> <p>3.9</p> <p>3.10</p> <p>3.11</p> <p>3.12</p> <p>3.13</p> <p>3.14</p> <p>3.15</p>	<p>Under the terms of the Roads (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (NI) 2010, the Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • applications for the grant of a Road Closure Order where adverse representations are received; and • setting of licence fees. <p>The Committee is also responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the administration of the provisions of the Licensing (NI) Order 1996 and the Registration of Clubs (NI) Order 1996 relating to entertainments and liquor licensing in licensed premises and registered clubs, and; • such other licensing matters as the Director of Planning and Place considers appropriate to bring to the attention of the Licensing Committee. <p>The Licensing Committee is also responsible for the consideration of all policy and legislation in relation to licensing issues but in this case any recommendations made will be subject to approval by the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee and further ratification by full Council.</p> <p><u>Delivery of the Training Programme</u></p> <p>Training on the topics identified will be organised in collaboration with the Legal Services and Human Resources Sections.</p> <p>To assist with training delivery, we have engaged the services of a Barrister who specialises in licensing matters and has been instructed in several Judicial Reviews on behalf of the Council, including the ongoing challenge to the Council's Amusement Permit Policy.</p> <p>To assist Members identify training needs, a list of potential topics is attached for consideration.</p> <p>Members are also asked to consider how best the training could be delivered to meet your needs and the most appropriate time for training.</p> <p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>The training will be catered for within existing budgets.</p> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>There are no equality or good relations issues.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Documents Attached</p>
	<p>A list of Potential Training Topics</p>