

**LICENSING COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 13 SEPTEMBER 2007  
(FROM 5.30 PM TO 6.00 PM)**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Bob Nash in the Chair. Councillors Mrs Atkinson, Jim Clark, Mrs de Courcey-Bayley, Pat Jones, John Savage and Geoff Webber.

**Late Arrivals:** None

**Early Departures:** None

10/07 - **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Chapman, Galloway, Reg Marsh and Rothwell.

(5.30 pm)

11/07 - **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** No Members declared interests at the meeting.

12/07 - **MINUTES:** The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 7 June 2007 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

(Five Members voted for the motion and there were two abstentions)

(5.31 pm)

13/07 - **EXEMPT INFORMATION:** There were no exempt information items.

14/07 - **PUBLIC ARRANGEMENTS - QUESTIONS:** There were no questions to consider pursuant to Standing Order 27.

**MATTER WHICH IS REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION**

15/07 - **THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT 2006 - DELEGATION ARRANGEMENTS:** A report in the name of the Head of Public Protection was submitted and the Licensing Manager recommended that the Scheme of Delegation to Officers be amended to enable the Director of Community Services to exercise powers and duties under the Act and any associated Regulations. The Principal Solicitor answered Members' questions. The matter would also be considered by General Purposes Committee on 27 September 2007.

**RECOMMENDED (UNANIMOUSLY):**

That the Licensing Committee recommends to the General Purposes Committee that the Scheme of Delegation at page 131 of the Constitution be amended to provide that delegated authority is given to the Director of Community Services to exercise powers and duties arising under the provisions of the Animal Welfare Act 2006 and any associated Regulations.

(5.32 pm - 5.34 pm)