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# Minutes

## **Planning and Licensing Committee**

Held at: Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone

Date Thursday, 11 November 2021

Present Councillors John Collier, Clive Goddard (Chairman),

Mrs Jennifer Hollingsbee, Nicola Keen, Jim Martin, Philip Martin (Vice-Chair), Jackie Meade, Terence Mullard (In place of lan Meyers), Georgina Treloar and

**David Wimble** 

Apologies for Absence Councillor Ian Meyers

Officers Present: Kate Clark (Case Officer - Committee Services), Ewan

Green (Director of Place), Sue Lewis (Committee Services Officer), Andrew Rush (Regulatory Services & Corporate Contracts Lead Specialist) and Briony

Williamson (Licensing Specialist)

Others Present:

#### 48. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 49. Licensing Policy Statement - Public Consultation

The Licensing Authority is required to review and publish a Licensing Policy Statement for every successive five year period. A new draft statement was presented to the Planning and Licensing Committee on 24 August 2021 and the recommendation was agreed to proceed to public consultation. The consultation period is now ended. This report summarises the responses received, any amendments made to the policy statement and the final draft to be presented to Full Council for approval.

Members received a short presentation highlighting the key changes to the policy and noted the positive steps forward, paying particularly attention to the work alongside CSU, more guidance to license holders and the formation of a Licensing Forum.

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Proposed by Councillor David Wimble Seconded by Councillor Clive Goddard and

#### Resolved:

- 1. To receive and note Report DCL/21/32.
- 2. To receive and note the consultation responses received.
- 3. To approve the final draft Licensing Policy Statement for the period 2021 to 2026 to be presented for approval by Full Council on 24 November 2021.

(Voting: For 10; Against 0; Abstentions 0)