Licensing Quarterly Update

1.0 Matter for consideration

1.1 The Committee to consider the quarterly update for the period September-December 2007. The report updates the Committee on licences applied for, dealt with and appealed.

2.0 Recommendation(s)

2.1 To note the update on licences considered, dealt with and appealed.

3.0 Information

- 3.1 The Licensing Committee has as a key responsibility, the requirement to be informed as to overall details of licences issued and other statistics on licensing.
- 3.2 In the period September –December 2007, the Licensing Section have dealt with a total of 16 applications for new premises licences, 16 variation applications, 56 transfers of premises licences, 100 variations of designated premises supervisors and 82 temporary event notices as well as 84 personal licence applications and 12 applications to review premises licences.
- 3.3 In the same period, the Council has scheduled a total of 36 hearings, of which 14 were cancelled due to mediation.
- 3.4 There are three licensing appeals currently outstanding at the Magistrates' Court.
- 3.5.1 Currently there are 2703 personal licences and 1751 premises licences (1586 authorising the sale of alcohol, 165 not authorising alcohol), and 41 club premises certificates in force.
- 3.6 The Department of Culture, Media and Sport have recently issued the first National Statistical Licensing Bulletin since the Licensing Act 2003 came into force. Blackpool has the seventh highest number of licensed premises in the country. A summary of the bulletin is attached at Appendix 5a.

4.0 Financial considerations

4.1 None

5.0 Legal considerations

5.1 None

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Appendices attached:

Appendix 5a, Statistical Licensing Bulletin

Background papers:

None

Websites and e-mail links for further information:

None

Glossary:

None