

## **BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET**

### **LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, 16th April, 2013

**Present:-** Councillors Sarah Bevan (Chair), Gabriel Batt, John Bull, Anthony Clarke, Gerry Curran, Douglas Deacon (In place of June Player), Douglas Nicol, Manda Rigby, Dine Romero, Tim Warren and Chris Watt

**Also in attendance:** Philip Kolvin QC, Andrew Jones (Environmental Monitoring and Licensing Manager) and Francesca Smith (Senior Legal Adviser)

#### **28 EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

The Democratic Services Officer read out the procedure.

#### **29 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR (IF DESIRED)**

**RESOLVED** that a Vice-Chair was not required on this occasion.

#### **30 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bryan Chalker and June Player.

Members asked for their good wishes and hope for a speedy recovery to be communicated to Cllr Chalker.

#### **31 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

#### **32 TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIR**

There was none.

#### **33 ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC - TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS, STATEMENTS, PETITIONS OR QUESTIONS**

There were none.

#### **34 MINUTES: 29 JANUARY 2013**

Cllr Bull pointed out that he had not attended the meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> January 2013. The minutes were approved subject to the deletion of Cllr Bull from the list of attendees.

#### **35 STAGE 2 CASINO PREMISES LICENCE: APPLICATION BY GLOBAL GAMING VENTURES LTD TO EXTEND THE DURATION OF A PROVISIONAL STATEMENT**

The Chair welcomed Andrew Maltby (Director, Deeley Freed Estates) and Charles Whateley (Director, Penhalt Estates) to the meeting.

The Environmental Monitoring and Licensing Manager presented the report. He explained that Global Gaming Ventures Limited had applied for an extension to the Provisional Statement, in relation to the use of premises for the operation of a small casino, which was issued on 9 August 2012 and was due to expire on 16 August 2013. The extension was to be for 18 months or such other reasonable period as the Committee might grant. He invited the Committee to determine the application.

Having been satisfied that the public interest would be better served by not disclosing relevant information, the Committee **RESOLVED** in accordance with the provisions of section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, that the public be excluded from the meeting for this item of business because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended..

Mr Maltby and Mr Whateley withdrew from the room as did the Environmental Monitoring and Licensing Manager.

The Committee considered the application.

At the conclusion of the discussion, it was **RESOLVED**, as proposed by Councillor Curran and seconded by Councillor Bull, to extend the Provisional Statement for six months with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> August 2013.

The Committee returned to open session, and the Chair announced the Committee's decision.

The meeting ended at 11.35 am

Chair(person) .....

Date Confirmed and Signed .....

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