

CITY OF DURHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Friday 3rd July 2020 at 14:00.

Present: Councillors L Brown, E Ashby, R Cornwell, A Doig and D Freeman.
Also present: A Shanley (Clerk)

Cllr L Brown in the Chair

1. Welcome and apologies

None received.

2. To receive any declarations of interest from members

None received.

3. To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on 5 June 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th June 2020 were unanimously **agreed** as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

4. To receive any public participation comments on the following agenda items.

None received.

5. Update on recent licensing applications

It was reported that the recent applications for both Fram Ferment Ltd and Station House had been submitted with the agreed conditions attached to both applications, as discussed at the Parish Council Licensing Committee meeting on 5th June 2020.

6. Licensing enforcement issues

Cllr R Cornwell reported that he had seen a recent story in the local press relating to a licensed premises in Durham City which had allegedly re-opened ahead of the lifting of lockdown measures in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The Clerk reported that he understood this matter is being investigated by Durham County Council.

The Clerk also reminded Members of a recent communication he had circulated relating to proposed temporary changes to licensing legislation up until 30th September 2021; specifically that licensed premises would soon be able to carry out off sales and delivery of alcohol without the need to submit an application to the local authority. The Clerk advised that this would be undergoing a second reading in the House of Lords next week (w/c 6th July 2020). The Committee expressed concerns about the proposed legislation and it was **agreed** that a letter should be drafted and sent to the Local MP asking that these concerns be raised with the relevant Government Minister. It was also **agreed** that the letter should highlight the pressure this has placed on local public bodies such as DCC, the NHS and Durham Police.

7. To consider the following licensing applications:

Jimmy Allens - 19-21 Elvet Bridge Durham DH1 3AA – Minor variation application.


It was **agreed** to object to this application under the licensing objectives of preventing crime and disorder and a public nuisance.

OiSaki Kitchen - 19A Silver Street Durham DH1 3RB – New premises license application.

It was **agreed** to note this application.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting.

Signed,


14/8/2020

Chair of the City of Durham Parish Council Licensing Committee