

# CITY OF DURHAM PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 16:30 via Zoom.**

**Present:** Councillors S Walker (in the Chair), E Ashby, N Brown and H Weston.

**Also present:** A Shanley (Parish Clerk)

## **1. Welcome and apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs A Doig and G Nair.

## **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 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021**

The minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 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 following discussions with Durham BID on establishing Pubwatch in Durham City**

The Clerk advised that Pubwatch is still in existence in the City and that he had spoken with its current Chair. The Chair of Pubwatch had advised that the Police had now become actively involved in Pubwatch and an initial informal meeting is set to take place on 30<sup>th</sup> November between licensees to re-establish Pubwatch properly. Thereafter the Chair of Pubwatch had advised that he would like to discuss accreditation schemes in more detail with the Parish Council.

The Clerk also reported that he had had some initial discussions with the Durham BID manager regarding accreditation for the City and he hoped that the BID manager could attend the next meeting of this Committee.

## **6. Parish Council Strategy 2022/23 – Licensing Committee priorities**

Committee Members agreed their priorities for 2022/23 as follows:

	<b>Council priorities</b>	<b>Licensing Committee Priorities</b>	<b>LF No.</b>	<b>Looking Forwards Priorities for Licensing Committee</b>
1	Being a voice for the city	Representing the Parish on licensing matters		
2	Enhancing physical and mental wellbeing of our residents and addressing inequalities in our parish	Ensuring that all new licensing applications and existing premises promote the four licensing objectives.		
		Empowering our residents to make informed		

		representations on licensing matters.		
		Supporting a cumulative impact policy for the Parish		
		Making licensing as open as possible through hosting an online licensing map		
		Making the City more accessible to all by representing the needs of all users in relation to pavement and outdoor seating applications.		
3	Upholding the neighbourhood plan and representing the parish on planning matters.	Ensuring that the objectives of licensing and planning are aligned.		
4	Creating a positive environment for businesses and encouraging tourism to improve prosperity of parish	Promoting the early evening economy to families and tourists		
5	Taking action to combat climate damage	N/A		

## 7. Consideration of the following licensing application(s) in the parish

Rio Brazilian Steakhouse Limited - Application for the grant of a premises licence. It was **agreed** to note this application.

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

Signed,



**Chair of the City of Durham Parish Council Licensing Committee  
(13<sup>th</sup> December 2021)**