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Dear Councillor

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **LICENSING COMMITTEE** to be held in the Council Chamber, Millmead House, Millmead, Guildford, Surrey GU2 4BB on **WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY 2025 at 7.00 pm.**

Yours faithfully

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**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Councillor Catherine Young  
Vice-Chairman: Councillor Keith Witham

Councillor Bilal Akhtar	Councillor Masuk Miah
Councillor Amanda Creese	Councillor Patrick Oven
Councillor Gillian Harwood	Councillor David Shaw
Councillor Catherine Houston	Councillor Katie Steel
Councillor Bob Hughes	Councillor Cait Taylor
Councillor Tom Hunt, Deputy Leader of the Council	Councillor Dominique Williams
Councillor Sandy Lowry	

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**Guildford Borough Council**  
Millmead House, Millmead, Guildford, Surrey GU2 4BB

## **THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY (2024- 2034)**

Our vision: To make Guildford borough a thriving place to live, work and do business

Our Corporate Strategy sets out the priorities we want to achieve as we strive to make Guildford borough a thriving place to live, work and do business. It sets out what we will focus on over the next ten years and will inform our strategies, decisions and plans. We are dedicated to making Guildford borough:

- a more sustainable,
- more prosperous and
- a more inclusive place,
- with decent and affordable homes for our residents and tenants;
- we will achieve all of this by ensuring we are a resilient and well-managed council.

Our focus over the ten-year period of the Strategy will be on delivering outcomes that help us to pursue these five strategic priorities.

## AGENDA

### **1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

### **2 LOCAL CODE OF CONDUCT - DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

In accordance with the local Code of Conduct, a councillor is required to disclose at the meeting any disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) that they may have in respect of any matter for consideration on this agenda. Any councillor with a DPI must not participate in any discussion or vote regarding that matter and they must also withdraw from the meeting immediately before consideration of the matter.

If that DPI has not been registered, the councillor must notify the Monitoring Officer of the details of the DPI within 28 days of the date of the meeting.

Councillors are further invited to disclose any non-pecuniary interest which may be relevant to any matter on this agenda, in the interests of transparency, and to confirm that it will not affect their objectivity in relation to that matter.

### **3 MINUTES (Pages 5 - 12)**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Wednesday 20 November 2024.

### **4 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive any announcements from the Chairman of the Committee.

### **5 LICENSING COMMITTEE ITEMS**

#### **5.1 Licensing Annual Update (Pages 13 - 46)**

The Committee to note the annual update.

#### **5.2 Best Bar None 2024 Update**

The Committee to receive a verbal update.

#### **5.3 Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Update (Pages 47 - 72)**

The purpose of this report is to brief the Committee on Taxi and Private Hire Licensing activity updates with the intention

that the report forms a basis for future annual updates.

**5.4 Review of Hackney Carriage Stands Following North Street Redevelopment (Pages 73 - 90)**

The Licensing Committee to review the results of the public consultation into the proposed changes to Hackney Carriage Stands (Taxi Ranks) in Guildford due to the North Street Redevelopment. The report asks Licensing Committee to recommend the Executive approve the changes following the required statutory consultation.

**5.5 Gambling Act 2005: Statement of Principles 2025-2028 (Pages 91 - 162)**

That the Committee recommends Full Council approve the draft Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles 2025-28.

**6 LICENSING COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 163 - 168)**

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