

# Licensing Committee Meeting

**Online Meeting, Virtual Meeting Platform  
Wednesday, 30 September 2020 at 18:00**

**The Licensing Committee** deals with policy issues relating to licensing matters and applications and appeals concerning hackney carriage and private hire vehicles and drivers and other appeals.

## Information for Members of the Public

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### Have Your Say!

The Council welcomes contributions in the form of written representations from members of the public at most public meetings. One single contribution to each meeting of no longer than 500 words may be made by each person which must be submitted via the form accessed by this link, before noon on the working day before the meeting date: [Licensing Have Your Say!](#)

If you would like to submit representations to a meeting and need to find out more, please refer to the Have Your Say! arrangements here:

<https://colchester.cmis.uk.com/colchester/HaveYourSay.aspx>.

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**COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Licensing Committee**  
**Wednesday, 30 September 2020 at 18:00**

**Member:**

Councillor Dave Harris  
Councillor Mike Hogg

Chair  
Deputy Chair

Councillor Lyn Barton  
Councillor Roger Buston  
Councillor Helen Chuah  
Councillor Simon Crow  
Councillor John Elliot  
Councillor Patricia Moore  
Councillor Beverley Oxford  
Councillor Barbara Wood  
Councillor Tim Young

**Substitutes:**

All members of the Council who are not Cabinet members or members of this Panel.

**AGENDA - Part A**  
(open to the public including the press)

**Members of the public may wish to note that Agenda items 1 to 6 are normally brief.**

**1 Welcome and Announcements (Virtual Meetings)**

The Chairman will welcome members of the public and Councillors to the meeting and remind those participating to mute their microphones when not talking. The Chairman will invite all Councillors and Officers participating in the meeting to introduce themselves. The Chairman will, at regular intervals, ask Councillors to indicate if they wish to speak or ask a question and Councillors will be invited to speak in turn by the Chairman. A vote on each item of business will be taken by roll call of each Councillor and the outcome of each vote will be confirmed by the Democratic Services Officer.

**2 Substitutions**

Councillors will be asked to say if they are attending on behalf of a Committee member who is absent.

**3 Urgent Items**

The Chairman will announce if there is any item not on the published agenda which will be considered because it is urgent and will explain the reason for the urgency.

**4 Declarations of Interest**

Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the agenda about which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the item or participating in any vote upon the item, or any other pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest.

**5 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The Councillors will be invited to confirm that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 August 2020 are a correct record.

**Licensing Committee Minutes -11 August 2020**

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**6 Have Your Say! (Virtual Meetings)**

Members of the public may make representations to the meeting. Each representation may be no longer than three minutes (500 words). Members of the public may register their wish to address the meeting by registering online by 12.00 noon on the working day before the meeting date. In addition a written copy of the representation will need to be supplied for use in the event of unforeseen technical difficulties preventing participation at the meeting itself.

**7 Changes to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy**

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This report will notify the Committee of a representation received in relation to the consultation carried out from 18 May to 31 July 2020 on proposed changes to the Suitability requirements for hackney carriage vehicle proprietors.

**8 Film Classification Policy**

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The Committee will consider a report on the classification of films and recommend the adoption of a Policy and procedure to be followed to ensure the proper discharge of the Council's responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003.

**9 Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licensing Policy - Approval for Consultation Purposes**

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The report seeks the Licensing Committee's approval of the draft Statement of Licensing Policy to enable the formal consultation process to take place.

10 **Licensing Committee Work Programme 2020-2021**

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This report sets out the current Work Programme 2020-2021 for the Licensing Committee. This provides details of the reports that are scheduled for each meeting during the municipal year.

11 **Exclusion of the Public (not Scrutiny or Executive)**

In accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public, including the press, from the meeting so that any items containing exempt information (for example confidential personal, financial or legal advice), in Part B of this agenda (printed on yellow paper) can be decided. (Exempt information is defined in Section 100I and Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972).

**Part B**

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