

LICENSING & REGULATION COMMITTEE

Monday, 15 June 2026

Attendance:

Councillors
Laming (Chairperson)

Morris
Achwal S
Brophy
Gordon-Smith

Pett
Wallace
Wise

Apologies for Absence:

Councillors Latham

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1. **APOLOGIES AND DEPUTY MEMBERS**

Apologies were received from Councillor Latham as noted above.

2. **DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Councillor Pett declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in respect of various items on the agenda due to his role on the South Downs National Park Authority. However, as there was no material conflict of interest, he remained in the room, spoke and voted under the dispensation granted on behalf of the Audit and Governance Committee to participate and vote in all matters which might have a South Downs National Park involvement.

3. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON FOR THE 2026/27 MUNICIPAL YEAR**

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Morris be appointed vice-chairperson on the committee for the 2026/27 municipal year.

4. **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE:**

RESOLVED:

That the date of the next scheduled meeting of the committee of 2 December 2026 be noted.

5. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 17 MARCH 2026**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the previous meeting held 17 March 2026 be agreed as a correct record.

6. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ian Tait spoke during public participation as summarised briefly below.

Mr Tait raised concerns that taxi drivers were unable to leave their vehicle for a short period of time whilst on a taxi rank without running the risk of incurring a penalty notice. He suggested the issue had arisen since the County Council had taken over responsibility for on-street parking enforcement. He asked that, if members thought appropriate, the committee investigate these concerns further.

Councillor Laming agreed to discuss the issues raised with the Licensing Manager and that a response would be provided to Mr Tait directly.

7. **PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER RENEWAL 2026**
(LR607)

The Community Safety Officer introduced the report and advised that there were no amendments to the locality or conditions of the order proposed. In addition, all relevant partners had been consulted and supported the renewal.

The Community Safety Officer responded to members' questions including on the police data currently available and confirming that although there was no requirement to extend the area of the order currently, this would be re-considered if there is any change at the time of renewal in 2029.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Public Spaces Protection Order be extended for a further three years to 14 September 2029; and
2. That the Strategic Director, be authorised to carry out statutory publication and notification requirements for the extended order.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm and concluded at 6.55 pm

Chairperson