

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

COUNCIL CHAMBER, WYRE FOREST HOUSE, FINEPOINT WAY, KIDDERMINSTER

12TH JUNE 2017 (10.30AM)

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**Present:**

Councillors: J A Hart (Chairman), J Baker (Vice-Chairman), J Aston, R Bishop, J R Desmond, I Hardiman, V Higgs, F M Oborski MBE, M Rayner, J D Smith, R J Vale and R Wilson.

**Observers:**

Councillor N Martin.

**LIC.01 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

**LIC.02 Appointment of Substitutes**

No substitutes were appointed.

**LIC.03 Declaration of Interests**

No declarations of interest were made.

**LIC.04 Minutes**

**Decision: The minutes of the meeting held on 10th April 2017 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.**

**LIC.05 Draft Scrap Metal Licensing Policy and Guidelines**

The Committee considered a report from the Head of Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) on behalf of Wyre Forest District Council which sought approval to undertake a 12 week consultation with relevant parties on a proposed draft scrap metal policy and guidelines.

The Senior Practitioner – Licensing (WRS) led Members through the report. He advised that there was no legal obligation for the Council to have a policy in place, however the policy would assist the authority in achieving consistency, fairness and transparency in its decision making process.

He added that it was the intention to ask each of the six district Councils in Worcestershire to adopt a similar policy.

The Committee considered each page of the draft policy and guidelines in turn.

#### **Agenda Item No. 4**

The Chairman welcomed the policy and reminded Members that the results of the consultation would be brought back to the Committee for consideration before the draft policy and guidelines were finalised and approved. He urged Members to submit any comments they had during the consultation period.

**Agreed: The draft policy and guidelines at “Appendix 1” of the report, be approved for the purpose of consultation with relevant parties.**

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 10.44am.