# LICENSING COMMITTEE

## 9 APRIL 2014

## **REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR (CORPORATE SERVICES)**

### A.6 <u>VACANCY ON PREMISES/PERSONAL LICENCES SUB-COMMITTEE 'C'</u> (Report prepared by Ian Ford)

## PART 1 – KEY INFORMATION

#### PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To enable the Committee to give consideration to filling the vacant seat on Premises/Personal Licences Sub-Committee 'C'.

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On 11 March 2014 and in accordance with the wishes of the Leader of the Conservative Group and the authority delegated to the Chief Executive, Councillor Wood was appointed to serve on this Committee in place of Councillor Platt.

Members will be aware that the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 mandate that a member of a Premises/Personal Licences Sub-Committee must also be a member of the Licensing Committee. In the light of the above change to the membership of this Committee, Councillor Platt was no longer eligible to continue to be a member of Premises/Personal Licences Sub-Committee 'C' and therefore a vacancy exists on that Sub-Committee.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That a member of the Licensing Committee be appointed to fill the vacant seat on Premises/Personal Licences Sub-Committee 'C' for the remainder of the municipal year.

## PART 2 – SUPPORTING INFORMATION

#### BACKGROUND

The Premises/Personal Licences Sub-Committees are not subject to the Widdicombe Rules on political balance of membership of Committees and Sub-Committees. However, as stated above, a Member of a Premises/Personal Licences Sub-Committee must also be a serving Member of the Licensing Committee. That Member must also have received training in relation to matters pertaining to the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005 under a continuing programme arranged by the Council.

#### BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR THE DECISION None.

#### APPENDICES

None