

At a meeting of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on MONDAY, 6th FEBRUARY, 2017 at 2.15 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Blackburn in the Chair

Councillors Elliott, Fletcher, I. Galbraith, P. Gibson, Kay, Lawson, O'Brien, Turner and Waller

Declarations of Interest

Item 4 – Sunderland Stadium of Light – Restriction on General Safety Certificate

Councillors O'Brien and Turner declared that they were season ticket holders for the Sunderland Stadium of Light.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors D. Dixon Heron, Howe and Scaplehorn.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 9th January, 2017 Part I

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 9th January, 2017, Part I (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Sunderland Stadium of Light – Restriction on General Safety Certificate

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which recommended that the Committee impose a limit on the number of tickets made available by Sunderland Association Football Club to the visiting fans of Manchester City on 4th March, 2017 and Manchester United on 8th April, 2017.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Mr Paul Baxter, Building Control Manager, introduced the report and advised that it was recommended that due to a trend of persistent standing in seated areas by supporters of Manchester City and Manchester United it was recommended that a limit of 2,500 tickets be imposed on their visiting supporters.

Members discussed the matter and Councillor P. Gibson, seconded by Councillor Elliott, moved that there be a limit of 2,500 tickets imposed on the visiting supporters for these matches. With all Members being in agreement it was:-

2. RESOLVED that:-
 - a. Approval be given to the setting of a limit of 2,500 visiting fans for the fixture with Manchester City on 4th March, 2017 and Manchester United on 8th April, 2017 on the grounds of authorising the Club to take all necessary precautions for the reasonable safety of spectators at these games as per condition 4.
 - b. To authorise the Chief Executive to follow such procedure and issue such notice needed to obtain compliance with the proposed restriction.

Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006

3. RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during consideration of the remaining business as it was considered likely to include the disclosure of exempt information relating to an individual and the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Authority holding that information). (Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraphs 1 and 3).

(Signed) J. BLACKBURN,
Chairman.

Note:-

The above minutes comprise only those relating to items during which the meeting was open to members of the public.

Additional minutes in respect of further items are included in Part II.