

LICENSING COMMITTEE

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REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY 2010

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Summary

This report seeks approval for the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy 2010, which has been publicly consulted upon.

Section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 requires a licensing authority to prepare, consult and publish a Statement of Licensing Policy every three years, it was last reviewed in 2007 and the new policy must be published by January 2011.

A draft revised Statement of Licensing Policy was sent out for consultation between the 8th June 2010 to the 30th August 2010. Issues which arose during consultation were recorded and taken into account during the review.

This report outlines the review and consultation process, issues for consideration and the proposed amendments which were the subject of public consultation, and seeks the views of the committee.

Once approved, the Statement of Licensing Policy will supersede the 2007 policy and will be the key document which the Licensing Committee will use to assist in the determination of applications.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee recommend to Council that the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report, be adopted.

1. Background

- 1.1 The Council's draft revised Statement of Licensing Policy 2007 was reviewed in consultation with the respective responsible authorities for the purpose of the Licensing Act 2003 and consideration was given to the following guidance and policies:
- The guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003,
 - The current statement of licensing policy 2007
 - Our parks and open spaces, events, and economic development strategies
 - Strategic assessment from the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP)
 - Disability Equality Scheme (DES) and Single Equality Scheme (SES)
- 1.2 The 12 week consultation took place between 8th June 2010 to 30th August 2010, and was sent to over 2400 consultees.
- 1.3 Considerations must be given to the four licensing objectives set out below as well as providing the necessary protection to residents, whilst promoting greater choice and flexibility to businesses and their customers.
- 1.4 The Licensing Act 2003 sets out four licensing objectives which the licensing authority has a duty to promote. These are:
- the prevention of crime and disorder,
 - public safety,
 - the prevention of public nuisance, and
 - the protection of children from harm.

2 Report to Licensing Committee on the Review of Statement of Licensing Policy.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000 BACKGROUND PAPERS

No.	Brief Description of Background Papers	Name/Ext of holder of file/copy	Department/ Location
1	Guidance Issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003	Sanju Manji Ext 3392	PPS/ENV
2	Statement of Licensing Policy 2007	Sanju Manji Ext 3392	PPS/ENV
3	List of consultees	Sanju Manji Ext 3392	PPS/ENV

Appendix 1 Draft Full Council Report

Appendix 2 Amended Statement of Licensing Policy 2010 following consultation.