

DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
HEAD OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND HOUSING SERVICES	LICENSING COMMITTEE	25 OCTOBER 2023	4
STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY			

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

RELEVANT LEAD MEMBER

This item is within the remit of Lead Member for Social Wellbeing (Councillor Chris Dixon).

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy has been reviewed and updated and should now be consulted upon. The Committee will be asked to consider the Policy and recommend that a consultation period is undertaken with the results of that exercise being reported to the Licensing Committee in due course.

RECOVERABILITY

This decision is recoverable under section 7 of part 3 of the constitution.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Committee considers the report and requests Officers to commence a consultation process to introduce the updated Statement of Licensing Policy.

REPORT

1. The current Statement of Licensing Policy is due to be updated to reflect changes within the statutory guidance. The updated draft policy may be seen at appendix 1.
2. The Guidance issued under S182 of the Licensing Act 2003 states that the licensing authority must consult the persons listed in section 5(3) of the 2003 Act. These are:
 - the chief officer of police for the area;
 - the fire and rescue authority for the area;
 - each local authority's Director of Public Health in England (DPH)¹⁴ or Local Health Board in Wales for an area any part of which is in the licensing authority's area,
 - persons/bodies representative of local premises licence holders;
 - persons/bodies representative of local club premises certificate holders;
 - persons/bodies representative of local personal licence holders; and
 - persons/bodies representative of businesses and residents in its area

3. The Committee are therefore requested to consider the draft policy and recommend that a consultation exercise is commenced, the results of which are to be reported to a future meeting of the Licensing Committee.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES	
Economy – To create a vibrant and healthy economy	✓
Environment – To deliver services customers expect	✓
Efficiency – By spending money in the most efficient way	✓
Tourism – To create a great place to live and visit	✓

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	No implications arising directly from the report.
Legal	No implications arising directly from the report.
Community Safety	No implications arising directly from the report.
Human Rights and Equalities	No implications arising directly from the report.
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	No implications arising directly from the report.
Health & Safety and Risk Management	No implications arising directly from the report.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS
Full Council 14 th December 2015 Review of Statement of Licensing Policy

BACKGROUND PAPERS REVELANT TO THIS ITEM		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
S182 Guidance to the Licensing Act 2003	August 2023	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/explanatory-memorandum-revised-guidance-issued-under-s-182-of-licensing-act-2003

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Attached documents

App 1 – Draft Statement of Licensing Policy – to follow