# Licensing and Planning Policy Committee 10 July 2018

# **STATEMENT OF POLICY - LICENSING ACT 2003**

**Head of Service/Contact:** Rod Brown, Head of Housing & Community

Urgent Decision?(yes/no) No
If yes, reason urgent decision N/A

required:

Annexes/Appendices (attached): Annexe 1: Draft Revised Statement of

Licensing Policy

Annexe 2: Amendments to the existing Policy

Other available papers (not

attached):

**Current Statement of Licensing Policy** 

Licensing Act 2003

Guidance issued under the Licensing Act 2003

# **Report summary**

This report requests the Committee to recommend to Council the adoption of a revised Statement of Licensing Policy.

Recommendation (s)		Notes
(1	That the Committee agree to recommend to Council the adoption of the revised Statement of Licensing Policy.	

- 1 Implications for the Council's Key Priorities, Service Plans and Sustainable Community Strategy
  - 1.1 The Council is required to publish a Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003.
  - 1.2 The Policy supports our Key Priority of supporting businesses and our local economy.

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#### 2 Background

- 2.1 The Licensing Act 2003 requires the Authority to publish a Statement of Licensing Policy with regards to undertaking its functions. Under the Act the Policy is to have effect for no more than 5 years. The current Statement of Licensing Policy has been effective since 11 December 2013, it must now therefore be reviewed.
- 2.2 The reviewed Statement of Policy draft was subject to statutory consultation which commenced on 19 April 2018 and ended on 24 May 2018. A list of consultees is attached as an annexe to the Policy, in addition, views were sought on the Policy by way of publication in the Council's website and e-Borough Insight.
- 2.3 The revised Draft Policy is attached as Annexe 1.
- 2.4 Details of the proposed amendments to the existing Policy are attached as Annexe 2.

### 3 Proposals

3.1 That the Council agree to recommend to Council the adoption of the revised Statement of Licensing Policy.

#### 4 Financial and Manpower Implications

4.1 The adoption, implementation and enforcement of the Policy will be undertaken using existing resources.

#### 5 Legal Implications (including implications for matters relating to equality)

- 5.1 The Authority is required to publish a Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003, with such Policy being kept under review as required, for a period not exceeding 5 years.
- 5.2 *Monitoring Officer's comments:* None for the purposes of this report.

#### 6 Sustainability Policy and Community Safety Implications

6.1 None for the purposes of this report.

## 7 Partnerships

7.1 None for the purposes of this report.

#### 8 Risk Assessment

8.1 The enforcement of the licensing regime is undertaken in partnership with agencies including Surrey Police.

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# 9 Conclusion and Recommendations

9.1 That the Committee agree to recommend to Council the adoption of a revised Statement of Licensing Policy, to be effective from 11 December 2018.

Ward(s) affected: (All Wards);