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| Essex County Fire and Rescue Service Protection (South West Area Command) Basildon & Brentwood | We have reviewed the draft Pavement Licensing Policy 2025 and have no observations to make on this occasion. Many thanks for the opportunity to comment. | No action required |
| Loughton Town Council | <p>Following our Planning & Licensing Committee meeting on Monday, 16 September 2024, whereby the above matter was considered, please see below the comments of our Committee:</p> <p>PL82 Consultation on Pavement Licensing Policy 2025 The Committee NOTED the information received from Epping Forest District Council, the local licensing authority. Members had no comments regarding the proposed amendments to this policy.</p> <p>However, the Committee expressed concern that no enforcement action was currently being taken against businesses in Loughton that had installed outside seating areas without applying for lawful permission.</p> | Requested information regarding businesses alleged to be operating without lawful permission. Otherwise, no further action required. |
| Councillor A Lion | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What does deemed granted under 2.1 of the policy mean? 2. Under 2.1 should the word highway be changed to footway as this could be interpreted to mean on the road? 3. Under 2.4 the Policy states “The Council would also expect the type of furniture to be ‘in keeping’ with the local area”. Does this mean raised platforms and waist level barriers are prohibited? | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This is explained in detail under 4.3 of the policy. 2. This is covered in detail under 2.3 Eligible Locations and wording is in line with national guidance. 3. Furniture must be removable and stored away at the end of the day. Waist level barriers are permitted under 2.4 and can be a useful way of preventing customers |

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| | | <p>spreading beyond the permitted area. The type of furniture permitted/not permitted is detailed under 2.4 and 2.5 and is in line with national guidance.</p> <p>No further action required.</p> |
| Epping Town Council | <p>No comment to submit on this policy other than to reaffirm that the pavement space is protected from licenses on Mondays to ensure that there is no obstruction or hindering of the Monday Royal Charter Market.</p> | <p>Under the draft policy 2.3 Eligible Locations already prohibits licences being granted at locations, on market days, during seasonal events or when the space in use for charitable or community purposes.</p> <p>No further action required.</p> |