

Report to Licensing Committee

Date of meeting: 30th November 2020



**Epping Forest
District Council**

Subject: Statement of Licensing Policy

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Recommendations:

That the Committee recommends that the Council adopts the Statement of Licensing Policy with any amendments agreed at the Committee meeting.

Report:

Background

1. The licensing authority has a statutory duty to review its licensing policy and as such, a consultation was carried out, beginning on the 22nd September 2020. The closing date was the 16th November 2020.

2. The new Policy updates the existing, to align with current internal council decision making; informing on current guidance and other publications and updating details of consultees. There is also a section that covers Exchange of Information, not included in the previous Policy document, which recognises the Council's responsibilities under the General Data Protection Regulations. The Policy document will be reviewed again no later than 2025 or such earlier time if deemed necessary.

3. There were some replies to consultation which are summarised on the attached table. Minor amendments have been made to the original draft to reflect the comments received, but no substantive changes have been made. The minor changes are at paragraphs 1.5, 1.6, 1.11, 1.50 and minor changes to the consult list. These changes are inclusions and updates since the previous policy was published.

4. Members are asked to consider the revised Policy document for submission to Full Council, recommending its adoption as the Epping Forest Statement of Licensing Policy

Documents Attached

Draft Policy (amended for approval)
Table of replies to the consultation

Resource Implications:

None

Legal and Governance Implications:

Licensing Act 2003 (as amended)

Anti Social Behaviour Act 2003

Equality Act 2010

Safer, Cleaner and Greener Implications:

To promote the four licensing objectives:

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

Consultation Undertaken:

Specified in the Licensing policy

Background Papers:**Impact Assessments:****Risk Management****Equality and Diversity**

Licensing raises equalities issues which the Statement of Licensing Policy addresses.