

Subject:	Review of Statement of Licensing Policy – Licensing Act 2003	Status:	For Publication
Report to:	Licensing Committee	Date:	5 th February 2019
Report of:	Public Protection Manager	Portfolio Holder:	Operations
Key Decision:	<input type="checkbox"/> Forward Plan <input type="checkbox"/>	General Exception	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Urgency <input type="checkbox"/>
Equality Impact Assessment:	Required:	No	Attached: No
Biodiversity Impact Assessment	Required:	No	Attached: No
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1.	RECOMMENDATION(S)
1.1	That Members note the content of the report and draft Statement of Licensing Policy for consultation

2. PURPOSE OF REPORT

2.1 To inform Members of the review of the Statement of Licensing Policy and current consultation exercise

3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- 3.1 The matters discussed in this report impact directly on the following corporate priorities:
- **A clean and green Rossendale:** our priority is to keep Rossendale clean and green for all of Rossendale’s residents and visitors, and to take available opportunities to recycle and use energy from renewable sources more efficiently.
 - **A connected and successful Rossendale that welcomes sustainable growth:** our priority is to ensure that we are well connected to our residents, key partners and stakeholders. We want to make the most of every pound we spend and we are always looking for new and innovative ways to make the resources we do have, work harder for us.
 - **A proud, healthy and vibrant Rossendale:** our priority is to ensure that we are creating and maintaining a healthy and vibrant place for people to live and visit.

4. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There is a risk of non-compliance with the requirements under Section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 if the Statement of Licensing Policy is not approved.

5. BACKGROUND AND OPTIONS

5.1 Section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 requires that the licensing authority prepare and publish a statement of licensing policy at least every five years.

The current statement of Licensing Policy has stood since 2014 and the amendments that have been found to be necessary are relatively minor and as a result of changes in legislation. We are required to go out to consultation as part of this process

5.2 A revised Statement of Licensing Policy for a further five years will be presented to full

Council for approval following completion of the consultation exercise, and any amendments noted.

The Licensing Act stipulates that any policy decisions are to be considered by full council.

COMMENTS FROM STATUTORY OFFICERS:

6. SECTION 151 OFFICER

6.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report

7. MONITORING OFFICER

7.1 All legal considerations are covered within the body of the report.

8. POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND CONSULTATION CARRIED OUT

8.1 The consultation period is running from 22nd January to 22nd February and the consultation document is available on line. The draft statement of Licensing Policy has also sent to responsible authorities and other interested parties.

The full Statement, with any required amendments will be presented to Full Council for adoption on 20th March 2019.

9. CONCLUSION

9.1 Section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 requires the licensing authority prepare and publish a licensing policy at least every five years. The Licensing Committee is requested to note the contents of the report, the draft Statement and the consultation exercise.

Background Papers

Document	Place of Inspection
Appendix A Draft Statement of Licensing Policy	Attached