

## **CITY COUNCIL - 3 DECEMBER 2007**

### **REPORT OF THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR CUSTOMER SERVICES, CONSULTATION AND AREA WORKING**

#### **REVIEW OF NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY**

##### **1 SUMMARY**

This report seeks approval to adopt a new Statement of Licensing Policy for the City. A copy of the Statement of Licensing Policy Appendix 1, a list of those who submitted formal consultation responses, Appendix 2, a summary of those responses, the officer assessment of them and amendments made to the draft policy, Appendix 3, have been circulated separately to members.

##### **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council in its role as a Licensing Authority adopts the Statement of Licensing Policy to take effect from 7 January 2008.

##### **3 BACKGROUND**

3.1 As a Licensing Authority, the City Council is required to produce a Statement of Licensing Policy that it will apply when it determines applications for licence. The Statement has a three year life during which time it may be subject to review as necessary.

3.2 The Council's current policy is nearing the end of its 3 year life span and Council must adopt a new Statement of Policy.

3.3 A consultation draft was approved by Council on 16 July 2007 and consultation took place between 20 July and 12 October 2007. A list of those who submitted formal consultation responses appears at Appendix 2 and a summary of those responses, the officer assessment of them and amendments made to the draft policy appears at Appendix 3. A copy of the full consultation responses and the evidence in relation to the proposed retention of the Cumulative Impact Policy and Saturation Zone have been placed in the members' room for inspection.

#### **4 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Statement of Policy has been the subject of legal advice to try to ensure conformity with the relevant legislation and guidance. It is a statutory requirement that a Statement of Policy be approved by full Council to come into effect on 7 January 2008.

#### **5 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

The Licensing objectives set out in the Licensing Act 2003 seek to address the prevention of crime and disorder, public nuisance, prevention of harm to children and public safety.

#### **6 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION**

- Responses made on the proposed Statement during consultation
- Evidence submitted in respect of the Cumulative Impact Policy and saturation Zone.

## **7 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

- Licensing Act 2003
- Revised Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003.

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