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| REPORT: | Regulatory Committee |
| DATE: | 2 September 2020 |
| REPORTING OFFICER: | Strategic Director Enterprise, Community and Resources |
| PORTFOLIO: | Resources |
| SUBJECT: | Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licencing Policy |
| WARDS: | Borough-wide |

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To approve a draft Statement of Licencing Policy for recommendation to Council for adoption.

2. RECOMMENDED: That the report be noted and endorsed.

3. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current Statement of Licensing Policy is due to expire at midnight on 6 January 2021 and a new Statement of Licensing Policy must be in place on 7 January 2021.
- 3.2 The Committee has no jurisdiction in adopting the Statement of Licensing Policy. However, since the Committee is responsible for taking decisions on individual applications and must have regard to the Statement of Licensing Policy this report gives the Committee an opportunity to consider the matter and let the Council know its views.
- 3.3 The Operational Director Legal and Democratic Services (ODLD) has undertaken a consultation exercise in respect of the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy in accordance with section 5 Licensing Act 2003. The consultation started on 6 July 2020 and the exercise was completed on 10 August 2020. No responses were received.
- 3.4 An updated version of the Statement of Licensing Policy is attached at Appendix A for information.
- 3.4 The appropriate Council meeting to consider the adoption of the Statement of Licencing Policy will be 14 October 2020

4.0 Policy Implications

- 4.1 Once it comes into effect, the Statement of Licensing Policy will be used in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

5.0 Other Implications

5.1 There are no other implications arising out of this report

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCILS PRIORITIES

6.1 Children and Young People in Halton

The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy operates under a separate statutory code but since it involves licensable activities it is designed to contribute to the licensing objective of the protection of children from harm.

6.2 Employment Learning and Skills in Halton

N/A

6.3 A Healthy Halton

Health is not a licensing objective but to the extent that health impacts on the licensing objectives health issues may be taken into consideration.

6.4 A Safer Halton

The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy operates under a separate statutory code but since it involves licensable activities it is designed to contribute to licensing objectives of promoting public safety.

6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

N/A

7. RISK ANALYSIS

None

8. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

There are no equality or diversity issues related to a review

9. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

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