

Appendix C

Amendments made to the policy

Paragraph	Added/Deleted/Amended wording	Comments
The Policy has been renumbered due to changes with in the draft policy		
<p>Point 15 – The Councils vision as set out within the Corporate Strategy 2018/2020 and within Halton’s fifteen year Sustainable Community Strategy 2011 – 2026 is that;</p> <p>“Halton will be a thriving and vibrant Borough where people can learn and develop their skills; enjoy a good quality of life with good health; a high quality, modern urban environment; the opportunity for all to fulfil their potential; greater wealth and equality, sustained by a thriving business community; and safer, stronger and more attractive neighbourhoods”.</p>	<p>Amended to – The Councils vision as set out within the Councils Framework is that;</p> <p><i>Halton aim to deliver the highest possible standards of work, and look for opportunities to improve where we can, we take steps to understand the needs of our customers, colleagues and stakeholders, ensuring those needs are reflected in how we deliver our services. We encourage and support innovation and creativity to improve service delivery and outcomes.</i></p> <p>PAGE 4 of the draft policy</p>	
<p>Point 16 – The Council has identified strategic priorities and key themes that are set out in its Corporate Plan 2011-2016 and within its fifteen year Sustainable Community Strategy 2011 – 2026. These are:</p> <p>A Healthy Halton Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton A Safer Halton Halton’s Children and Young People Environment and Regeneration in Halton</p>	<p>Amended to – 16. The Council’s vision as set out within the Corporate Strategy 2024 – 2029;</p> <p><i>“Halton will support residents to live in a decent and affordable homes, surrounded by safe and thriving communities, working with everybody to keep our neighbourhoods clean and tidy. Encouraging good quality health and wellbeing. Fostering a strong, diverse local economy where there is access to good</i></p>	

Corporate Effectiveness & Business Efficiency	<p><i>jobs and successful businesses in our community, providing opportunities for all"</i></p> <p>PAGE 4 of the draft policy</p>	
New Point 17 added	<p>Inserted a new point 17</p> <p>The Council has identified strategic priorities and key themes that are set out in its Corporate Plan 2024-2029 . These are: Improving Health, Promoting Wellbeing and Supporting Greater Independence,</p> <p>Building a Strong, Sustainable Local Economy,</p> <p>Supporting Children, Young People and Families,</p> <p>Tackling Inequality, Helping those who are most in need,</p> <p>Working towards a greener future,</p> <p>Valuing and appreciating Halton and our community.</p> <p>PAGE 4 of the draft policy</p>	
<p>Point 17 – 22</p> <p>17. Locally due to the high levels of alcohol-related harm Halton experiences the Halton Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2017/2022</p>	<p>Deleted – points 17 -22 have been deleted as they are outdated and replaced with new point 17 as above.</p> <p>PAGE 4 of the draft policy</p>	

<p>includes the reduction in the harm from alcohol as a priority area.</p> <p>18. The strategy identified a number of issues which may be affected by the licensing regime in Halton including:</p> <p>A significant proportion of cases of domestic violence are alcohol related</p> <p>Alcohol related crime and alcohol related violent crimes are worse in Halton than for both the North West and England as a whole</p> <p>Alcohol specific admissions (both among adults and those aged under 18) are much higher than the national and regional averages.</p> <p>19. In addition due to the high levels of alcohol-related harm Halton was one of only twenty areas in the country to be awarded the status of being a “Local Alcohol Action Area” (LAAA). This award provided support from the Home Office and Public Health England during 2014/15 related to addressing the harm from alcohol across three areas – health, crime and anti-social behaviour, and diversifying the night time economy.</p> <p>20. Working in collaboration a local alcohol strategy has been developed and agreed. The <i>Halton Alcohol Strategy: Reducing</i></p>		
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<p><i>alcohol-related harm across the life course, 2014-2019</i> makes the case that the impact of drinking on public health and community safety in Halton is so great that radical steps are needed to change our relationship with alcohol.</p> <p>21. The vision of the strategy is to: “Enable people in Halton to have a sensible relationship with alcohol that promotes good health and wellbeing and ensures Halton is a safe place to live”.</p> <p>22. In order to achieve this vision and minimise the harm from alcohol in Halton the strategy will seek to deliver three interlinked outcomes:</p> <p>Reduce alcohol-related health harms Reduce alcohol-related crime, antisocial behaviour and domestic abuse Establish a diverse, vibrant and safe night-time economy.</p>		
<p>Point 26 - and the Sustainable Communities Strategy.</p>	<p>Deleted –this is now point 23 - this is no longer required. This has been updated with the new corporate values</p> <p>PAGE 5 of the draft policy</p>	

<p>Point 89-91 – Couter Terrorism</p>	<p>Inserted – new section to the policy</p> <p>Counter Terrorism and Public Safety The Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025, also known as Martyn’s Law, received Royal Assent in April 2025. Although there will be an implementation period of at least 24 months before the Act comes into force, this will be during the current Statement of Licensing Policy. The Act allows the SIA’s (Security Industry Authority) new functions to be established, whilst ensuring those responsible for premises and events in scope have sufficient time to understand their obligations. Martyn’s Law has been developed to ensure public premises and events are better prepared for terrorist attacks, requiring organisers to take reasonably practicable steps, which vary according to their capacity, to mitigate the impact of a terrorist attack and reduce physical harm. Halton Borough Council would expect the licensees to comply with any requirements set out within the Act as and when it comes into force.</p> <p>PAGE 16 of the draft policy</p>	
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