

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to advise you that the Authority is seeking views on the revisions to the Statement of Licensing Policy that will need to be adopted by January 2024.

There are no fundamental changes to this policy, and it remains that there is no evidence to support implementing either a cumulative impact policy or early morning restriction orders.

Amendments to the policy have therefore been limited as follows:

Removal from Policy:

Removal of obsolete and/or unnecessary information, minor revisions of dates, contacts, and departments etc.

Removal of reference to amusement with prizes as this sits within the Council's Gambling Act Policy Statement

Removal of annexe relating to the Enforcement Policy (and replaced with a hyperlink)

Removal of the annexe relating to Sexual Entertainment Venues (SEV) , as this sits within the Council's SEV policy.

Revisions to Policy:

Updating the live music exemptions (page 5)

Revision of the cumulative impact statement (page 8-9)

Temporary Event Notices (page 16-17)

Additions to Policy:

Spiking Prevention and Tackling Sexual Harassment statement (page 13)

Alcohol Delivery Services (page 15)

Prevention of violence against women and girls within the Large-Scale Events and Festivals paragraphs (pages 14-15)

I have attached a copy of the draft policy statement, please let me have any observations or comments by no later than **Monday 7 August 2023**.