AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 TITLE: LICENSING ACT 2003 LICENSING AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY – FIVE YEAR REVISION COMMITTEE: LICENSING COMMITTEE DATE: 11 SEPTEMBER 2020 AUTHOR: SENIOR LICENSING OFFICER

1.0 <u>ISSUE</u>

1.1 To approve the revised version of the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy, and recommend it for approval by Council.

2.0 <u>RECOMMENDATION(S)</u>

- 2.1 That Members consider the information contained in this report and determine to approve the draft Statement of Licensing Policy, as consulted upon, or determine to approve the draft Statement of Licensing Policy to include the suggested amendments shown as tracked changes in Appendix 2 in their entirety, or in part.
- 2.2 That Members recommend the approved Statement of Licensing Policy to full Council for adoption to come into effect on 7 January 2021.

3.0 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The draft Statement of Licensing Policy was presented to the Licensing Committee on 24 June 2020 and formal consultation took place between 27 June 2020 and 14 August 2020
- 3.2 During the consultation period, the Licensing Authority received two formal responses. The first was from a premises licence holder, and the second was from the Cambridgeshire County Council Director of Public Health (the "DPH").

The following table provides a summary of the points raised. The full content of the responses can be found attached as **Appendix 1**.

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Responder	Section	Change requested
DPH	Section 1.70 (Page16)	Updating of the LAPE website
		address for alcohol information
Licence Holder	Paragraph 1.99 (Page	Seeks clarification regarding
	20)	when free advice ends and paid
		for advice becomes necessary

Table 1

4.0 ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS

4.1 Officers have considered the content of the submissions made by the two responders to the consultation, and have the following suggestions for Members consideration:

Table 2

Paragraph	Suggested amendments		
1.70	Replace www.lape.org.uk with		
	https://fingertips.phe.org.uk/profile/local-alcohol-profiles		
1.99	 Insert, "general" before "advice" on the 9th line. Replace, "If additional assistance is required" at the end of the 9th line with, "If following the receipt of this guidance an application needs to be submitted, and additional assistance is required," 		

4.2 Approving the amendments in Table 2 above will reflect the change requested by the DPH, and it will clarify when freely available advice will end and chargeable advice may commence. It is considered that these minor amendments will answer the points raised by those who took the time to respond to the consultation.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no cost implications over and above the normal costs of administering the 2003 Act.
- 5.2 An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) has been completed showing there is no adverse impact on the community if Members follow the Officer recommendations.
- 6.0 <u>APPENDICES</u>
- 6.1 Appendix 1 Consultee responses
- 6.2 Appendix 2 Amended draft Statement of Licensing Policy
- 6.3 Appendix 3 Equality Impact Assessment (EIA)

Background Documents	Location	Contact Officer
The Licensing Act 2003	Room SF208 The Grange,	Stewart Broome Senior Licensing Officer
Revised Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, April 2018	Ely	(01353) 616477