

WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF DECISION

SUBJECT: STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

Notice is hereby given that Cabinet Member for Public Protection and Licensing, **Councillor Heather Acton** Cabinet Member for Public Protection and Licensing, has made the following executive decision on the above mentioned subject for the reasons set out below.

The Licensing Act 2003 (the Act) requires that each Licensing Authority must for every five-year period determine its policy with respect to the exercise of its licensing functions and publish a statement of that policy before the beginning of the period. Before the Licensing Authority can determine its policy for a five-year period it must consult those specified within the Act.

Summary of Decision

The Cabinet Member for Public Protection and Licensing has considered the revised Statement of Licensing Policy as attached at Appendix 2 and recommends to Full Council that the Policy is approved and adopted in accordance with section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Reasons for Decision

The Council has published its five-year Statement of Licensing Policy (SLP) with respect to the exercise of its licensing functions. The current SLP was effective from the 7th January 2016 and the end of the current policy period will be on the 6th January 2021. The Council, as the Licensing Authority is required to keep that policy under review and make such revisions to it as it considers appropriate. Before revising its SLP the Licensing Authority must consult on those proposed revisions.

The Licensing Authority has concluded its consultation on its proposed revisions to the SLP and is now required to present it to Full Council for review so that the revised SLP can be published before the current SLP expires on the 6th January 2021. The Licensing Act 2003 requires that the SLP is reviewed and approved by Full Council and therefore if the Cabinet Member considers the revisions to the SLP acceptable the Cabinet Member is asked to recommend the revised SLP to Full Council for approval.

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