

## Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council

#### **Licensing Act 2003**

### **Statement Of Licensing Policy**

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Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council is the Licensing Authority for its Borough and required under Section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 ("the Act") to review and publish a Statement of Licensing Policy every 5 years.

The current Statement of Licensing Policy came into effect on 7 January 2011 and it is proposed that the existing Policy be reviewed and updated.

Updated sections within the draft policy are shown below:-

- S2 Prevention of Public Nuisance
- S2 Protection of Children from Harm
- S2 Prevention of Crime & Disorder
- S7 Licensing Hours
- S8 Cumulative Impact
- S9 Determining Applications (Representations, TENS, Interim Authority Notice)
- S12 Enforcement

Appendix B – Contact List of Trade Bodies

New sections within the policy are shown below:-

- S 6 Adult Entertainment
- S9 Determining Applications (Community Ancillary Notice)

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- S10 Live Music, Private Events, Boxing and Circuses
- S13 Early Morning Restriction Orders
- S14 Late Night Levy

Appendix C – Other Policies, legislation and Guidance

This consultation closes on 1st March 2015.

#### **About You**

Thank you for ta	king the time to complete this questionnaire.
Title: Mr. □ Mrs	□ Miss □ Dr. □ Other □
Name:	
Address:	
Email:	

Are you a resident in the Borough of Hinckley and Bosworth?	Yes □ No □
Do you carry out or run a business in Hinckley and Bosworth?	Yes □ No □
Do you hold a personal licence granted under the Licensing Act 2003?	Yes □ No □
Do you hold a premises licence granted under the Licensing Act 2003?	Yes □ No □
Are you responding on behalf of a responsible authority under the Licensing Act 2003?	Yes □ No □
Are you responding as a representative of licensed premises or a trade group?	Yes □ No □
Is there anything within the Policy that you feel is unreasonable?	Yes □ No □
Does the Policy make clear that all applications must be considered on their own merits.	Yes □ No □
Should the Policy act as a document to guide applicants, responsible authorities and residents.	Yes □ No □
Should the Policy act as a document to advise the Licensing Committee in making their decisions?	Yes □ No □
The Licensing Act 2003 has been and is currently being amended by further legislation. The Governments purpose for this is to deregulate regulated entertainment. The new policy contains updates to legislation, amendments and additions.	
Do you think that deregulating entertainment will have a positive impact on the licensed trade?	Yes □ No □
Should the Policy include a section on the exemptions for sexual entertainment that can be carried on in licensed premises without a licence and the Licensing Authorities expectations of licence holders?	Yes □ No □
The Community and Ancillary Sellers Notice (CAN) will be a new authorisation under the Licensing Act 2003 which will benefit particular small businesses and community groups who wish to sell or provide small amounts of alcohol in limited circumstances as an ancillary part of a wider service or an organised event, without any other form of licensing authorisation. Do you think that this is a good idea?	Yes □ No □

Where the activities of more than one type of premises cumulatively undermine the licensing objectives it is open to the Licensing Authority to adopt a saturation policy. Such a policy would state that no new licenses would be granted in that area, unless the applicant could demonstrate that they would not add to the cumulative impact.	
Apart from Hinckley Town Centre do you believe that any other area of the Borough is suffering from the cumulative effect of too many licensed premises of one type?	Yes □ No □
Do you have any evidence that any area of the Borough is suffering from the cumulative effect of too many premises of one type?	Yes □ No □
Regulated Entertainment – Boxing. The Council has made a Policy decision regarding what is termed as "bare knuckle boxing". The decision is that no bare knuckle boxing or fighting event will be permitted.	Yes □ No □
Do you agree with this decision?	
The Licensing Authority can resolve to adopt an early morning restriction order (EMRO) where it is appropriate for the licensing objectives to do so. Such an order can restrict the sale of alcohol between 12am and 6am.	
Do you believe that an EMRO is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives?	Yes □ No □
Do you have any evidence that an EMRO is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives?	Yes □ No □
The Licensing Authority can resolve to adopt a Late Night Levy (LNL) requiring all premises that trade after a time specified by the authority between 12am and 6am pay an extra fee to contribute to the cost of the policing of the night time economy.	
Do you believe that an LNL is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives?	Yes □ No □
Do you have any evidence that an LNL is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives?	Yes □ No □

Your answers to the above questions will help us determine our Policy but they may not have allowed you to fully express your opinion. Please feel free to expand on your answers or offer any further comments on a separate sheet of paper. Alternatively email us on <a href="mailto:esadmin@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk">esadmin@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk</a>

We would particularly like to hear about your experiences and any evidence you have to support your opinions. This evidence would allow us to consider what further measures may be necessary, such as restricting the hours when alcohol can be sold.