

**Equality Impact Assessment
Level One
Initial Screening**

Service Area...Environmental Health/Licensing

**Title of policy, procedure, strategy, function or working practice:
Licensing Act 2003 - Statement of Policy**

1. What are the aims, objectives and intended outcomes of the proposed policy, procedure, strategy, function or working practice to be assessed?

To publish a Statement of Policy that the Council will apply in exercising their functions under the Licensing Act 2003.

2. Who is intended to benefit from the policy, procedure, strategy, function or working practice and in what way? Think about who will benefit and how. This will prompt thoughts on who will not benefit and whether this can be justified.

All residents and businesses associated with licensing will benefit because the Council will apply the policy in exercising their functions under the Licensing Act 2003.

Details of the amended policy were sent by letter to businesses with Licensing interests, Councilors, residents and community groups. These groups had twelve weeks to respond in a twelve week consultation period from 9 August to 1 November 2010.

A list of the Consultees is included in the Policy.

No comments or responses were received from these groups during this twelve week consultation period.

3. Is there any evidence of impact on people on the grounds of Race, Religion, Gender, Disability, Sexual orientation and age as a result of this policy, procedure, strategy, function or working practice. If there is positive or negative impact then please indicate the levels.

a. Race

Impact : Positive	<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral	x
Level : High	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low	x

b. Religion

Impact : Positive	<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral	x
Level : High	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low	x

c. Gender

Impact : Positive	<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral	x
Level : High	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low	x

d. Disability

Impact : Positive	<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral	x
Level : High	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low	x

e. Sexual Orientation

Impact : Positive	<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral	x
Level : High	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low	x

f. Age

Impact : Positive	<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral	x
Level : High	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low	x

4. Has any positive/negative impacts been identified which cannot be justified?

NO - The effect is neutral because –

i)The Licensing Act 2003 contains 4 licensing objectives which are central to the act and underpins the functions that Licensing authorities perform. The four licensing

Approved by Departmental Equalities Representative.

Signed

Date

If any actions have been identified, please state date of review:
(This is usually 12 months after the initial EIA has taken place)