## Agenda Item 7

# REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PLACE

### MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 2020

#### **LICENSING ACT 2003 - STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY**

- 1. At its meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020, the Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director, Place, setting out the details of the revised Statement of Licensing Policy to be published under the Licensing Act 2003 and detailing the consultation process that had been undertaken. The report also sought approval to the final draft of the Statement of Licensing Policy and for it to be referred to Full Council.
- 2. Approval of the Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003 is a function reserved to full Council.
- 3. The resolution passed by the Cabinet is set out below.

**RESOLVED:** That Cabinet approves the Statement of Licensing Policy for referral to Full Council on 2nd December 2020.

#### Recommendation

That the Council approves the Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003, as set out in the attached report.

#### **Options**

Full Council may:-

- (i) approve the Statement of Licensing Policy, without modification; or
- (ii) approve the Statement of Licensing Policy with modification, subject to the caveats below.

In considering the options, Full Council must have full regard to the contents of the report to Cabinet including, in particular, the implications that are highlighted in the report. Full Council's attention is drawn to the statutory requirements (noted in the report) of Section 5 (1) of the Licensing Act 2003, that each licensing authority must, in respect of each five year period:-

- (a) Determine its policy with respect to the exercise of its licensing functions, and
- (b) Publish a statement of that policy before the beginning of the period.

(NOTE: A copy of the report submitted to the Cabinet is attached.)

Laraine Manley Executive Director, Place