

Licensing Annual Report

Date: 22 March 2022

Report of: Chief Officer Elections and Regulatory

Report to: Council

Will the decision be open for call in? Yes No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

What is this report about?

Each year Entertainment Licensing and Taxi and Private Hire Licensing provides licensing statistics and a summary of enforcement and liaison activity to Full Council for their information.

The licensing regime contributes to Best City Priorities 2020/2025 (see the [latest version of the Best Council Plan](#)):

- Culture
- Safe, Strong communities
- Inclusive Growth

Recommendations

For Council to consider the annual report, for information only.

Why is the proposal being put forward?

- 1 This proposal is to provide Council with information relating to the granting of licences, enforcement action, and proposed future work in the form of an annual Report.

What impact will this proposal have?

Wards Affected: All

Have ward members been consulted? Yes No

- 2 As this report is for the information of Council there will be no impact on wards or residents. However, the information provided will enable Members to be informed about licence applications, decisions made by Licensing Committee hearings, automatic grants, enforcement action including suspensions and revocations, and future work planned by both Sections.
- 3 This information enables Members to be informed and to aid decision making in the future.

What consultation and engagement has taken place?

- 4 Consultation and engagement is not necessary.

What are the resource implications?

- 5 No resource implications for the licensing authority have been identified with publication of the Licensing Annual Report.

What are the legal implications?

- 6 There are no legal implications in relation to this report.
- 7 The publication of the annual Report is presented to Licensing Committee and Council. This report is not subject to access to information or call in requirements.

What are the key risks and how are they being managed?

- 8 There are no risks associated with this report.

Does this proposal support the council's 3 Key Pillars?

Inclusive Growth Health and Wellbeing Climate Emergency

- 9 The licensing regime contributes to Best City Priorities 2020/2025:
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Options, timescales and measuring success

- 10 As the Annual Report is presented for information only there are no further options available to Council as no further action is necessary.
- 11 The Annual Report is presented in February/March each year and following presentation to Licensing Committee the Annual Report is presented to full Council.
- 12 The table of taxi and private hire driver licences refused or revoked on page 24 forms a review of the impact of the council implementing a Suitability and Convictions Policy in 2020.
- 13 Success would be measured by the report being noted by Licensing Committee.

Appendices

- 14 Appendix 1 – Licensing Annual Report

Background papers

- 15 None