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Licensing Committee

At the above stated meeting the attached presentations and documents were tabled for the following items

		Pages	Contact
5.	The Licensing Act 2003 - Statement of Licensing Policy	(Pages 1 - 2)	Michael Moss Tel: 01732227364
7.	Sex establishment policy 2020 - 2023	(Pages 3 - 4)	Michael Moss Tel: 01732227364

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Licensing Act 2003

- **2.5** There are exemptions from the need for a licence for music entertainment, in defined circumstances as set out in the <u>Guidance</u>, including for:
 - places of public worship, village halls, church halls and other similar buildings
 - schools
 - hospitals
 - local authority premises
 - incidental music music that is incidental to other activities that aren't classed as regulated entertainment



Sex Establishment

The Human Rights Act 1998 - The European Convention on Human Rights makes it unlawful for a public authority to act in a way that is incompatible with a Convention Right. The Council will take particular notice of the following relevant provisions of the European Convention on Human Rights —

- Article 6 that in determination of civil rights and obligations everyone is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial tribunal established by law;
- Article 8 that everyone has the right to respect for his home and private life;
- Article 1 of the First Protocol that every person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his or her possessions, including, for example, a licence.

In accordance with paragraph 4.21 of the Home Office guidance on Sexual Entertainment Venues, the Council will respect the need for its decisions to be necessary and proportionate for the prevention of disorder or crime, for the protection of health and morals, for the Protection of the rights and freedoms of others, and, in the case of Article 1 of the First Protocol, that its decisions can be justified in the general interest.

The Equality Act 2010 brings together over 116 separate pieces of legislation into one single Act. Combined, they make up a new Act that provides a legal framework to protect the rights of individuals and advance equality of opportunity for all.

The Act simplifies, strengthens and harmonises the current legislation to provide Britain with a new discrimination law which protects individuals from unfair treatment and promotes a fair and more equal society.

The nine main pieces of legislation that have merged are:

- the Equal Pay Act 1970
- the Sex Discrimination Act 1975
- the Race Relations Act 1976
- the Disability Discrimination Act 1995
- the Employment Equality (Religion or Belief) Regulations 2003
- the Employment Equality (Sexual Orientation) Regulations 2003
- the Employment Equality (Age) Regulations 2006
- the Equality Act 2006, Part 2
- the Equality Act (Sexual Orientation) Regulations 2007

