# RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO LICENSING COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No. 8

meeting date: 31 AUGUST 2010

title: LICENSING STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES AND PROPOSAL TO

ADOPT THE SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUE POWERS

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#### 1 PURPOSE

1.1 To inform Committee of the timetable for approval of the Council's Licensing Statement of Policy and the proposal to adopt the Sexual Entertainment Venue powers.

#### 2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At its meeting on 15 June 2010 the Committee considered the Council's revised Statement of Licensing Policy and agreed some amendments to form the basis of a consultation process, and to consult about whether the Council should adopt the provisions of Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.
- 2.2 The consultation on both issues is now in progress, and the deadline for responses is Friday, 1 October 2010.

#### 3 ISSUES

- 3.1 The Council's Committee Terms of Reference provide that Licensing Committee is not authorised to approve the Licensing Statement of Principles, this must be referred to Policy and Finance Committee prior to approval by Full Council.
- 3.2 The Committee timetable is such that the next meeting of Policy and Finance Committee after the 1 October 2010 will be on 16 November. It will not therefore be possible to refer any consultation responses received to the Licensing Committee, and meet the statutory deadline.
- 3.3 Committee Members are therefore asked to note that the consultation responses for both matters will be reported to Policy and Finance Committee. In the event that any member of the Licensing Committee wishes to make representations in relation to those consultation responses, they should either attend the meeting and/or ensure that their comments are forwarded to the Legal Services Manager to be relayed to the Members of the Policy and Finance Committee.
- 3.4 The matter should be before Full Council on 14 December 2010 and this will ensure that the Council's policy is approved in time for the required implementation in January 2011.
- 3.5 The adoption of Sexual Entertainment Venue Powers will also be considered by Policy and Finance Committee.

## 4 RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE

4.1 Note the arrangements which have been made for approval of the Licensing Statement of Principles and adoption of the Sexual Entertainment Venue Powers.

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