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**Dear Councillor** 

### **HEALTHY SAFE CLEAN & GREEN COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Healthy Safe Clean & Green Communities Scrutiny Committee of the Bolsover District Council to be held as a Virtual Meeting and Council Chamber, The Arc, Clowne if required on Tuesday, 6th October, 2020 at 10:00 hours.

Members will be sent the details on how to access the Virtual Meeting by email.

### Virtual Attendance and Hybrid Meetings

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I would encourage you all to attend virtually.

Accordingly if you attend in person you will be deemed to have accepted the following disclaimer (overleaf) as applying.



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### Risk Assessment Disclaimer

When attending this meeting in person, I confirm that I have read and understood the contents of each of the following risk assessments and agree to act in line with its content.

- Covid-19 ARC RTW RA001
- Working in Offices At The Arc During Covid-19 Pandemic Guidance ARC SSW001

Both documents have been emailed to Members and are available on the Modern. Gov App library.

The same advice is given to officers who are also encouraged to participate in the meeting remotely.

<u>Register of Members' Interests</u> - Members are reminded that a Member must within 28 days of becoming aware of any changes to their Disclosable Pecuniary Interests provide written notification to the Authority's Monitoring Officer.

You will find the contents of the agenda itemised from page 3 onwards.

Yours faithfully

Solicitor to the Council & Monitoring Officer

Sarah Shenberg

### HEALTHY SAFE CLEAN & GREEN COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AGENDA

### Tuesday, 6th October 2020 at 10:00 hours taking place as a virtual meeting

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1.	Apologies For Absence	140.(3)
2.	Urgent Items of Business	
	To note any urgent items of business which the Chairman has consented to being considered under the provisions of Section 100(B) 4(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.	
3.	Declarations of Interest	
	Members should declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and Non Statutory Interest as defined by the Members' Code of Conduct in respect of:	
	<ul><li>a) any business on the agenda</li><li>b) any urgent additional items to be considered</li><li>c) any matters arising out of those items</li><li>and if appropriate, withdraw from the meeting at the relevant time.</li></ul>	
4.	Minutes	
	To consider the minutes of the last meeting held on 8 <sup>th</sup> September 2020.	4 - 11
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### Agenda Item 4

### HEALTHY, SAFE, CLEAN AND GREEN COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Healthy, Safe, Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee of the Bolsover District Council held in the Council Chamber, The Arc, High Street, Clowne on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 1000 hours.

PRESENT:-
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Members:-

Councillor David Downes in the Chair

Councillors Rose Bowler, Dexter Bullock, Anne Clarke, Evonne Parkin, Peter Roberts and Janet Tait.

Officers:- Steve Brunt (Joint Head of Streetscene), Steve Jowett (Streetscene Manager), Amar Bashir (Improvement Officer), Joanne Wilson (Scrutiny & Elections Officer) and Alison Bluff (Governance Officer).

Also in attendance at the meeting was Councillors Sandra Peake, Portfolio Holder for Housing, Mary Dooley, Portfolio Holder for Partnerships and Leisure, Deborah Watson, Portfolio Holder for Environmental Health and Licensing and Nick Clarke, Portfolio Holder for Carbon Reduction Efficiencies.

#### **HEA1-20/21 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Natalie Hoy and Tom Munro.

### **HEA2-20/21 URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business to consider.

### **HEA3-20/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

### HEA4-20/21. MINUTES – 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020

The Scrutiny & Elections Officer provided the following update in relation to Minute 0718 from the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

As a result of a post scrutiny monitoring report from a previous review undertaken by the Committee regarding the Authority's Perception of Young People, an additional recommendation was agreed at the last meeting in relation to community leisure provision;

the Portfolio Holder - Partnerships & Transformation be asked to consider additional funding to offer incentive/taster sessions for parish councils in

order to increase the coverage of community leisure provision in the District, as outlined at 5.1.1 of the report.

This recommendation had been passed on to the relevant Portfolio Holder and officers for implementation. While the concept had been acknowledged as a good way forward, Committee was advised that this recommendation be put on hold as the Council was not currently in a position to deliver community sports activities in the District due to Covid 19. Also, the Council needed to make further savings because of Covid 19 and it may no longer be possible to offer additional funding when activities restarted. However, the service was looking forward to restarting sessions, which were heavily reliant on the involvement of parish councils and in some cases the provision of their venues. Officers were advising parish councils accordingly and aiming to reschedule activities for spring /summer next year. A further update on the recommendation would be provided to Committee early next year.

Moved by Councillor David Downes and seconded by Councillor Anne Clarke **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of a Healthy Safe Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020 be approved as a correct record.

#### HEA5-20/21 LIST OF KEY DECISIONS AND ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE

Committee considered the List of Key Decisions and items to be considered in private document.

Moved by Councillor David Downes and seconded by Councillor Peter Roberts **RESOLVED** that the List of Key Decisions and items to be considered in private document be noted.

### HEA6-20/21 CORPORATE AMBITIONS PERFORMANCE UPDATE – APRIL TO JUNE 2020 (QUARTER 1 – 2020/21)

Committee considered a report in relation to the Quarter 1 outturns (April to June 2020) for the Council's Ambition Performance Framework 2020-2024 targets and relevant supporting service indicators.

Eleven targets supported the service areas covered by Committee. Seven targets were on track and 1 target had been achieved.

### ENV.10 - Develop a wild planting policy for parks and public open spaces where appropriate by March 2021.

This target was reported as being achieved.

The Council's Streetscene Policy now included a statement (4.1.7) setting out the Council's consideration in establishing wild flora and\or diverse vegetative planted areas.

The following 3 targets had been affected by Covid 19;

### ENV.06 - Increase the number of fixed penalty notices issued for litter and dog fouling offences by 20% per year.

Face to face issuing of fixed penalties was suspended due to Covid 19, therefore no fixed penalties were issued for these offences in Q1. A new dog warden had started in post and this would enable an increase in the number of fixed penalty notices issued.

The Portfolio Holder for Environmental Health and Licensing commented that the Council was currently arranging a dog Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) for the District and it was hoped that this would be in place by 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020. All parish councils would be informed with regard to the signage for their area. The PSPO should increase the number of fixed penalty notices for dog fouling as this would give the Council powers to issue instant fixed penalty notices for anyone walking dogs and not carrying dog poo bags and also if they were walking more dogs than allowed for in that area.

### CUS.09 - Increase participation/attendances in leisure, sport, recreation, health, physical and cultural activity by 3,000 per year.

All activities have been suspended since the lockdown due to Coronavirus. The Go Active facility will reopen on Saturday 25th July 2020 with limited access to the gym, swimming pool and exercise classes.

### <u>CUS.10 - Deliver a health intervention programme which provides \*\*\* adults per year</u> with a personal exercise plan via the exercise referral scheme.

The health referral programme had been suspended due to the lockdown and closure of the leisure facilities due to Coronavirus. It was not anticipated that the programme would resume when the Go Active facility reopened on 25th July 2020 as the majority of clients would be classed as at risk. The situation would be monitored and the programme reintroduced when advice and guidance allowed for it to be done safely.

### **Service Indicators**

There were 12 indicators in total. Six indicators had positive outturns, 4 indicators had been affected by Covid 19 and 2 indicators had a negative outturn. Details were provided in the appendix to the report for those indicators at exception including Covid 19 affected.

The following query had been raised at the Scrutiny pre meeting by the Chair and Vice Chair and a response circulated to Members as follows;

### SS 05 Amount of residual household waste disposed of by way of landfill (Quarterly)

Is there a reason that this is not shown as a % as per recycling?

### Officer response;

The method of measurement is kilograms and is reported in line with Defra's statutory reporting requirement so we are not able to change it.

### ENV.01 - Develop an externally facing climate change communication strategy targeting communities and stakeholders by October 2020 and deliver an annual action plan.

This target was reported as being on track.

The Communications Strategy was currently being written and a draft would be ready for circulation by the end of August 2020.

The following query had been raised at the Scrutiny pre meeting by the Chair and Vice Chair and a response circulated to Members as follows;

Is this likely to be circulated to Committee at any point prior to completion?

### Officer response;

We have a draft communication strategy for the Carbon Reduction Plan. It will be presented to the Low Carbon Thematic Group in September for discussion. The Chair of the group will direct where the plan will go for approval.

It is not a formal strategy rather a communication action plan that forms part of the wider already approved Carbon Reduction Plan.

### ENV.02 - Reduce the District Council's carbon emissions by - 100 tonnes CO2 in 20/21 - Reduce the District Council's carbon emissions by - 100 tonnes CO2 in 20/21.

This target was reported as being on track.

The most substantial impact on the Council's 20/21 Carbon reduction target was lockdown measures and Working from Home. April to June 2020 saw a significant reduction of travel to work and in work travel supported by virtual meetings. Work was ongoing to understand the full impact but from staff surveys and payroll data it was estimated that CO2 emissions reduced by 50 Tonnes. Work was now ongoing to embed some of these working practices in an effort to secure a 100 Tonne per annum ongoing reduction.

### ENV.03 - Achieve a combined recycling and composting rate of 50% by March 2023.

This target was reported as being on track.

Performance was estimated based on Q1 2019/20 Waste Data Flow figures at 4268.65 recyclable materials collected, this equated to a combined recycling and composting rate of 46.8%. This would be updated when the actual figures become available from WDF at the end of September '20.

The following query had been raised at the Scrutiny pre meeting by the Chair and Vice Chair and a response circulated to Members as follows;

Confused by the reference to the service being ceased/limited when considering the detail that was circulated by the Leader's Updates.

Aware that staff were supporting businesses who could remain open but appreciate that compliance due to Covid-19 is very different to previous compliance expectations. Are there spot checks to ensure relevant PPE etc. is being followed?

Are checks being carried out as businesses re-open?

### Officer response;

EH03 is affected directly by the Food Standards Agency suspending the food hygiene intervention programme nationally at the beginning of April. This was to ensure that only essential and food safety incident related interventions took place so as to not overburden to food production and retail industry during the crisis, considering the well-publicised logistical and opening challenges they faced early on, and also to prevent the spread of the virus in the community. This was the case with health and safety interventions and environmental regulatory activity.

Throughout Q1, officers continued to monitor businesses where there were high risk issues, other outbreaks of food borne infectious disease, and of course supporting business in managing the COVID-19 risks inherent in remaining open during lockdown, and enforcing the lockdown business closures.

This was followed in Q2 by re-opening advice, supporting business to understand and meet the new and regularly changing guidance.

September and Q3 onwards will see a revised food intervention programme being delivered following Food Standards Agency requirements and a revised Food Service plan is due to be published ahead of that on 31st September 2020. The programme will be more focussed on high risk premises than previous years as per FSA and HSE guidance to enable local authority environmental health staff to assist in managing local COVID-19 outbreaks, and also prevent the community spread through large scale intervention programmes.

Spot checks on businesses regarding social distancing management are only taking place where there are high levels of risk with a business or where they are failing to satisfy the council that they have systems in place. If a visit is required due to a lack of confidence in the management of the premises, it will, however the vast majority of business take on board the guidance, our recommendations and are working well to prevent spread within their premises.

2019/20 - We completed 510 food safety interventions in the year, including 100% of those overdue (233 of these were overdue from previous years).

### ENV.04 - Sustain standards of litter cleanliness to ensure 96% of streets each year meet an acceptable level as assessed by Local Environment Quality Surveys (LEQS).

This target was reported as being on track.

LEQS's established 0% of streets and relevant land surveyed fell below grade B cleanliness standards and within the 4% target standard set.

The Improvement Officer provided an update to Committee and noted that 100% had been achieved.

A Member requested if local voluntary litter picking groups could be supported by the Council's Streetscene service in relation to purchasing equipment at a discounted rate.

The Joint Head of Streetscene advised Committee that Streetscene supported local litter picking groups on an ongoing basis. Streetscene supplied all necessary clothing and equipment free of charge and picked up the collected waste afterwards. PR advertising for this free service was carried out through social media etc and a recent promotion was 'Keep Britain Tidy National Initiative Summer Clean Event'. There were established regular litter picking groups in the District as well as individuals, and smaller groups via the parish, town councils and local schools - all these groups enhanced the work of Streetscene. Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 only small groups were currently being encouraged to work. The Portfolio Holder noted that this was an excellent service provided by the Streetscene department.

In response to a Member's query regarding Streetscene supplying additional dog bins in identified hotspots, the Joint Head of Streetscene confirmed that consideration would always be given to this and noted that some under-utilised bins could be moved to hotspot areas. The Portfolio Holder for Housing noted that parish and town councils would also provide dog bins in some areas.

### ENV.05 - Sustain standards of dog fouling cleanliness to ensure 98% of streets each year meet an acceptable level as assessed by Local Environment Quality Surveys (LEQS).

This target was reported as being on track.

LEQS's established 0% of streets and relevant land surveyed fell below grade B cleanliness standards and within the 2% target standard set.

The Improvement Officer provided an update to Committee and noted that 100% had been achieved.

### **ENV.09 - Increase the use of organic herbicide treatments within the StreetScene Service by 2023.**

This target was reported as being on track.

Glyphosate herbicide based treatments reviewed in favour of adopting organic (i.e. Acetic Acid) herbicide treatments, which found that approach presented increased risks to staff applying organic alternatives due to their toxicity and not offering the same environmental, effectivity, control and performance of Glyphosate. On reviewing Glyphosate products, no scientific evidence for was found to support some concerns reported and further to consulting with DCC (BDC Highways Agency Client) were comfortable with continued use of Glyphosate products and reducing its usage where possible in the interim of its license review and/or other like performing products and systems identified. **This target was to be withdrawn.** 

### ENV.11 - Resolve successfully 60% of cases following the issuing of a Community Protection Warning by *date to be confirmed.*

This target was reported as being on track.

Since 1st April 2020 5 Community Protection Warnings (CPWs) had been served. One has successfully resolved a situation, 3 were currently within their monitoring period and 1 had not had the required effect. This had been progressed to a Community Protection Notice being served. Current success rate was 80%. (Awaiting confirmation of target date).

A Member queried if it was acceptable for a number of beehives to be kept in a garden in a residential area and where this would fit in with a CPW. The Improvement Officer felt that this would be an environmental health query which he would raise with them and provide a response to the Member.

Moved by Councillor David Downes and seconded by Councillor Rose Bowler **RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

The Portfolio Holder for Housing, the Portfolio Holder for Partnerships and Leisure and the Improvement Officer left the meeting.

#### HEA7-20/21 IMPACT OF COVID 19 ON WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES

Committee considered a report in relation to the impact of Covid 19 on waste collection services.

The Joint Head of Streetscene advised the meeting that the black and burgundy bin waste collection services had been maintained since the start of the Covid 19 lockdown. Green bin collection had been sustained for a number of weeks. The grounds maintenance service was resumed from late May, early June and was operating at normal levels along with street cleansing. However, there had been some challenges to meet with regard to social distancing - staff had been moved around on waste collection services due to some staff who were shielding or isolating. A table in the agenda pack provided information on control measures if there were a second wave of Covid 19 in the near future.

The Portfolio Holder for Carbon Efficiencies noted that there had been many complaints in July regarding the burgundy bin collection service. The Joint Head of Streetscene replied that the company who collected the burgundy bins for the Council, had encountered some resourcing issues and a vehicle breakdown but they had been reminded of their responsibility to the Council in collecting the bins and there had been no further issues. He added that between April 2019 and August 2020, there had been 185 complaints/ queries raised of which 59 related to the burgundy bin collection (mainly regarding contamination), 126 related to black/green bins, including bulky waste, commercial and clinical waste collections. Therefore, based on the 3 bin system, each had incurred an average of 60 complaints each.

In response to a Member's query, the Joint Head of Streetscene advised Committee that a refuse operative should leave a bin where it had been collected from after it had been emptied and not leave it blocking a pavement etc., however, it was accepted that in some

areas pavements were narrower than normal and in these circumstances, residents were encouraged to inform the Council of any issues. The Streetscene Manager noted that a further exception was regarding were there was no access due to parked cars etc.

Moved by Councillor David Downes and seconded by Councillor Anne Clarke **RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

The Joint Head of Streetscene, the Streetscene Manager and the Portfolio Holder for Environmental Health and Licensing left the meeting.

### HEA8-20/21 SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2020/21

Committee considered their Work Programme 2020/21.

The Scrutiny & Elections Officer advised Committee that officers from Leisure Services would be providing information to Committee's next meeting in relation to the impact of Covid 19 on Go Active and the Leisure Centre, community provision and how the Leisure team had been supporting other areas of work during the early stages of the Covid 19 pandemic.

The Scrutiny & Elections Officer was currently looking at review work and ideas that had come forward for review topics.

In response to a Member's query, the Scrutiny & Elections Officer noted that the *Health* and *Wellbeing Strategy – Monitoring update and impact of Covid 19* report, which would be presented to the November meeting would include safety practices put in place for staff coming into work at the Arc and also the types of support for staff who were working from home.

Moved by Councillor David Downes and seconded by Councillor Janet Tait **RESOLVED** that the Work Programme 2020/21 be noted.

The meeting concluded at 1052 hours.



The Arc High Street Clowne Derbyshire S43 4JY

### Key Decisions & Items to be Considered in Private

To be made under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

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#### INTRODUCTION

The list attached sets out decisions that are termed as "Key Decisions" at least 28 calendar days before they are due to be taken by the Executive or an officer under delegated powers.

Preparation of the list helps Executive to programme its work. The purpose of the list is to give notice and provide an opportunity for consultation on the issues to be discussed. The list is updated each month with the period of the list being rolled forward by one month and republished. The list is available for public inspection at the The Arc, High Street, Clowne, S43 4JY. Copies of the list can be obtained from Sarah Sternberg, Joint Head of Service for Corporate Governance, Solicitor to the Council & Monitoring Officer at this address or by email to sarah.sternberg@bolsover.gov.uk. The list can also be accessed from the Council's website at www.bolsover.gov.uk.

The Executive is allowed to make urgent decisions which do not appear in the list, however, a notice will be published at The Arc and on the Council's website explaining the reasons for the urgent decisions. Please note that the decision dates are indicative and are subject to change.

Members of Executive are as follows:

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Councillor Steve Fritchley - Leader and Portfolio Holder - Policy, Strategy, Resources and Media

Councillor Duncan McGregor - Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder - Corporate Governance

Councillor Mary Dooley - Portfolio Holder - Partnerships and Leisure

Councillor Clive Moesby - Portfolio Holder - Finance and Resources

Councillor Sandra Peake Portfolio Holder - Housing

Councillor Nick Clarke - Portfolio Holder - Carbon Reduction Efficiencies

Councillor Deborah Watson - Portfolio Holder - Environmental Health and Licensing

Councillor Liz Smyth - Portfolio Holder - Economic Development

The Executive agenda and reports are available for inspection by the public five clear days prior to the meeting of the Executive. The papers can be seen at The Arc at the above address. The papers are also available on the Council's website referred to above. Background papers are listed on each report submitted to the Executive and members of the public are entitled to see these documents unless they contain exempt or confidential information. The report also contains the name and telephone number of a contact officer.

Meetings of the Executive are open to the public and usually take place in the Council Chamber at The Arc. Occasionally there are items included on the agenda which are exempt and for those items the public will be asked to leave the meeting. This list also shows the reports intended to be dealt with in private and the reason why the reports are exempt or confidential. Members of the public may make representations to the Joint Head of Corporate Governance & Monitoring Officer about any particular item being considered in exempt and why they think it should be dealt with in public.

The list does not detail *all* decisions which have to be taken by the Executive, only "Key Decisions" and "Exempt Reports". In these Rules a "Key Decision" means an Executive decision, which is likely:

### (1) **REVENUE**

- (a) Results in the Council making Revenue Savings of £75,000 or more; or
- (b) Results in the Council incurring Revenue Expenditure of £75,000 or more

### (2) **CAPITAL**

- (a) Results in the Council making Capital Income of £150,000 or more; or
- (b) Results in the Council incurring Capital Expenditure of £150,000 or more
- (3) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the District.

In determining the meaning of "significant" the Council must have regard to any guidance for the time being issued by the Secretary of State. The Council has decided that revenue income or expenditure of £75,000 or more and capital income or expenditure of £150,000 or more is significant.

The dates for meetings of Executive can be found here:

https://committees.bolsover.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?Committeeld=1147

The Council hereby gives notice of its intention to make the following Key Decisions and/or decisions to be considered in private:

Matter in respect of which a decision will be taken	Decision Maker	Date of Decision	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Is this decision a Key Decision?	Is this key decision to be heard in public or private session
Proposed structure of planning policy team	Executive	26 Oct 2020	Report of the Portfolio Holder for Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder - Corporate Governance	Chris Fridlington, Assistant Director of Development and Planning	Key  It is likely to result in the Council making revenue savings or incurring Revenue expenditure of £75,000 or more.	Fully exempt  Information relating to any individual. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under the authority.
Culverts Remedial Works at Pleasley Vale Business Park To seek approval for additional capital funds to carry out identified remedial works to the culverts beneath all three mills at Pleasley Vale Business Park	Executive	26 Oct 2020	Report of the Portfolio Holder for Portfolio Holder - Economic Development	Matthew Cooper, Corporate Property Manager	Non-Key	Fully exempt  Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Matter in respect of which a decision will be taken	Decision Maker	Date of Decision	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Is this decision a Key Decision?	Is this key decision to be heard in public or private session
Business Retention Scheme To update Executive and seek approval for process of agreeing measures to retain businesses within the Council's commercial premises.	Executive	26 Oct 2020	Report of the Portfolio Holder for Portfolio Holder - Economic Development	Chris Fridlington, Assistant Director of Development and Planning	Key  It is likely to result in the Council making revenue savings or incurring Revenue expenditure of £75,000 or more.	Fully exempt  Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)
Environmental Health Service Review	Executive	23 Nov 2020	Report of the Portfolio Holder for Portfolio Holder - Environmental Health & Licensing	Ken Eastwood, Environmental Health Advisor	It is likely to result in the Council making revenue savings or incurring Revenue expenditure of £75,000 or more.	Information relating to any individual. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under the authority.

### **SCHEDULE 12A**

**ACCESS TO INFORMATION: EXEMPT INFORMATION** 

### PART 1 DESCRIPTIONS OF EXEMPT INFORMATION: ENGLAND

- 1. Information relating to any individual.
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
- 3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
- 4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
- 5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
- 6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes
  - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - (b) To make an order or direction under any enactment.
- 7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.





### Covid 19 impact on Leisure Services

- From 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 the majority of leisure services staff were instructed to remain at home due to the enforced lockdown restrictions.
- Where possible staff worked from home, but for the majority of the department this was not feasible.
- The community support team was established and leisure services staff were utilised to assist with food parcel and pharmacy deliveries.
- From 8<sup>th</sup> June 70 staff were furloughed.
- Government announced that leisure facilities could re-open from 25<sup>th</sup> July.



### Physical Activity & Sports Development

- School delivery this was obviously impacted on after schools closed due to the lockdown restrictions. We have been successful in attracting 13 schools for the current academic year in comparison to 18 last year. We are working with schools to try and attract more on to the scheme and offer confidence around the Covid procedures we have in place.
- Sports Clubs the team have kept in touch with local sports clubs over the lockdown period, offering advice and assistance where applicable. They have also assisted individual clubs with return to sport following government lifting of restrictions.
- Community provision this has ceased both in community settings and within the Go Active facility. Recently, and following guidance from the FA we have commenced community Premier League Kicks sessions in Carr Vale and are planning for a return of the Sports SPLASH school holiday programme in October half term.

### Extreme Wheels & PVOAC

- Extreme Wheels have secured funding from four Community Safety
   Partnerships to work on an alternative delivery model assisting to disperse gatherings and to offer guidance and advice to young adults.
- Pleasley Vale Outdoor Activity Centre has remained closed. The centre manager has recently returned to work under the flexible furlough scheme to test the market for customers to return safely to the centre.



### Go Active

- Facility re-opened on 25<sup>th</sup> July with a strict booking policy in order to comply with track and trace.
- Maximum occupancy levels had to be reduced in order to comply with social distancing.
- Due to indoor sports not yet being available, classes have been moved from studio's into the sports hall.
- Swimming lessons re-commenced on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September.
- Footfall on a daily basis pre Covid was approx. 1000 per day, post Covid approx. 350 per day and with the introduction of the swimming lesson programme we are around 500 visits per day.
- The current financial situation is yet to be clarified as the majority of the facility staff were furloughed and the government has recently announced that 75% of lost income can be claimed back.



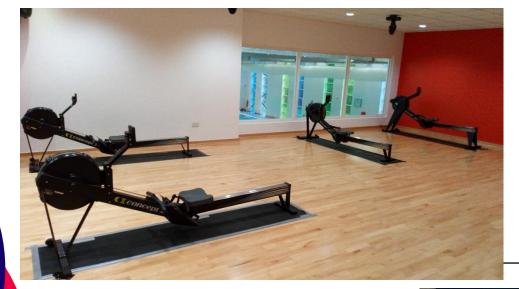




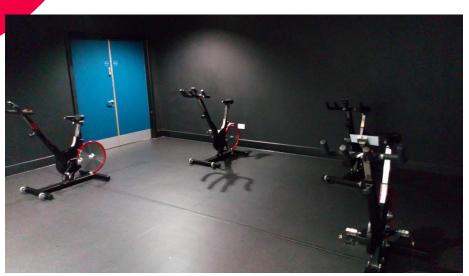




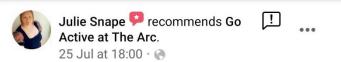




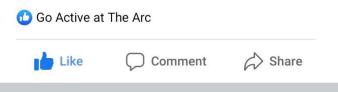








First time back at gym very well thought out and very clean staff really helpful great job





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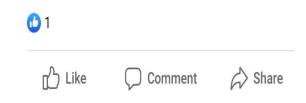
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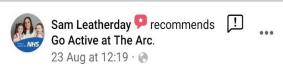




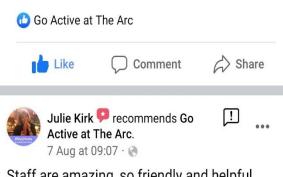


First swim after lockdown and the staff could not be more helpful. It felt very safe, excellent signage and everything was well laid out. Well done to all the pool staff.





been today for our first swim since lockdown and we were very impressed with the measures in place. we felt safe and the staff were amazing with assisting us with everything we needed. thank you for a pleasant experience, see you next week



Staff are amazing, so friendly and helpful. Love the variety of classes and the gym.

### **Bolsover District Council**

### Healthy Safe Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 Draft Sex Establishment Policy Review

### Report of Solicitor, Legal Services

This report is public

### Purpose of the Report

• The purpose of this report is for the Scrutiny Committee to consider and feedback on the draft of the Council's **Sex Establishment Policy.** 

### 1 Report Details

- 1.1 Under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act ("LGMPA") as amended, subject to the contents of 1.2 below, the Council has powers to control the number and location of sex establishments in its area.
- 1.2 The Licensing Committee has passed a resolution to invite the full Council to resolve to adopt the legislation. In order to proceed, the Council must carry out a public consultation. To reduce risk of legal challenge, it was agreed that such consultation should be carried out prior to formal adoption. It was considered that the Policy could be publically consulted on at the same time.
- 1.3 The Committee is being invited to review the draft policy and provide comments. Should the Scrutiny Committee comment on the draft in its present form, these will be incorporated and the revised draft will then be submitted to the Council's Licensing Committee in due course. The Licensing Committee will then consider the draft, with a view to commencing statutory consultation.
- 1.4 The outcome of the 12 week consultation period will be fed back to the Licensing Committee, and a final version of the policy will then be recommended to Full Council for approval.

- 1.5 A Local Area Profile (LAP) will be prepared in due course as a separate document. The LAP will map out the characteristics of the area, and because the area profile can change so frequently it is seen as good practice to keep this document separate. This is still in development at this time but will be published at the same time as the Policy, to ensure that the document is as up to date as possible.
- 1.6 The key aspects to the contents of the policy are as follows

Introducing a policy document which sets out the Councils approach to sex establishment regulation

Citing the findings of the public consultation – clearly this part of the Policy is absent at this stage and will be drafted following such consultation. By including the findings the Council will be able to demonstrate that the adoption of the legislation and the contents of the Policy clearly reflect the will of its residents. This is important in protecting the Council against judicial review.

Setting out of statutory criteria for mandatory and discretionary grounds for refusal of an application

Separately detailing the Council's policy in respect of the granting of licenses for each type of sex establishment (sexual entertainment venues, sex cinemas and sex shops)

Detailing other legislation relevant to the grant or refusal of a licence

**Specifying exemptions** 

Setting out the application procedure and those for variations, renewals, transfers and revocations

Detailing interpretation of key terms

Setting out standard conditions for each type of sex establishment

- 2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation
- 2.1 Bolsover District Council's Licensing Committee resolved that the full Council should be invited to consider passing a resolution to adopt the legislation and policy in respect of sex establishments. This process, which would include implementation of key elements of the public consultation, would mean that residents will have a greater say in what happens within their community.

### 3 Consultation and Equality Impact

3.1 The approved draft policies will be subject to a full public consultation. The feedback will be presented to members of the licensing committee thereafter and approval sought to recommend the final version of the policy to Council.

3.2 Similarly an equality impact assessment will be undertaken once feedback has been received, before the matter goes to the Licensing Committee.

### 4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 There is no legal requirement to adopt the legislation or have a Policy in place. However, the Licensing Committee has approved this action and doing so gives the Council power to regulate both the number and type of establishments in its area and the manner in which such premises are run. Residents could question why, when Parliament has created regulatory powers for the Council, the Council had not been availed itself of them in order to protect their interests and reflect their views.

### 5 <u>Implications</u>

### 5.1 Finance and Risk Implications

5.1.1 There will be a minor cost associated with carrying out the consultation and publication of statutory notices which can be accommodated from existing budgets

### 5.2 Legal Implications including Data Protection

5.2.1 Having a policy which is clearly detailed and compliant with the legislation, fit for purpose and clear to Applicants could assist in implementing rules while preventing a legal challenge by way of appeal or judicial review, with associated costs in defending the same.

### 5.3 Human Resources Implications

5.3.1 None.

### 6 Recommendations

6.1 That Members review the attached policy documents and provide comments for consideration by Licensing Committee.

### 7 <u>Decision Information</u>

Is the decision a Key Decision?  A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:  BDC: Revenue - £75,000  Capital - £150,000  NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000  Capital - £250,000  ✓ Please indicate which threshold applies	No
Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	No
Has the relevant Portfolio Holder been informed	Yes
District Wards Affected	All indirectly
Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework	Environment - Working with partners to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour

### 8 <u>Document Information</u>

Appendix No	Title			
1.	Draft Sex Establishment Policy			
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)				
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## DRAFT

# Sex Establishment Policy

2021-2024



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Date policy approved	
Date policy due for review (maximum three years)	
Date policy forwarded to Performance & Communications (to include on Extranet and Internet if applicable to the public)	23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2020

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### 1. Introduction and Scope

- 1.1 This document sets Bolsover District Council's Policy regarding the licensing and regulation of Sex Establishments as defined by the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 ("the Act" as amended by the Policing and Crime Act 2009. These are:
  - sexual entertainment venues
  - sex shops and
  - sex cinemas

(The full definitions can be found within sections 2, 2A, 3 and 4 of the Act)

Applications for such premises can raise significant concerns within the community and locality where the premises are, or are sought to be located.

One of this Council's aims is to strengthen community pride and cohesion in every neighbourhood whilst seeking to lower crime, the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour.

This Policy is intended as a guide to the Council in balancing the needs and interests of the business community, its patrons and employees with those of residents and communities when considering applications for Sex Establishment licences. Its purpose is also to inform interested parties of the principles by which the Council will make decisions.

- 1.2 In exercising its functions under the Act this Authority shall aim to consider each application for a Sex Establishment licence:
  - within the context of principles set out in this Policy
  - in accordance with the Authority's statement of licensing principles
  - in accordance with any relevant guidance issued by the Home Office
  - in accordance with provisions of paragraph 12 of Schedule 3 of the Act.
- 1.3 The aim of the Authority in this Policy is to address the impact of sex entertainment establishments in terms of crime and disorder and to ensure that their location and internal layout are appropriate with a view to protecting children and vulnerable persons. The Authority is committed to partnership with all stakeholders with a view to the promotion of this aim. The Authority recognises the impact that unregulated sex entertainment establishments may have on its communities and in delivering the sex entertainment regime will, with regard to the principles set out in this Statement, seek to support its local economy and protect vulnerable people. In doing so it will consider each application on its own merits within the context of this Policy, the legislation and the guidance issued by the Home Office, any observations submitted to it by the chief officer of police and any relevant objections received from other parties within 28 days of the application.

- 1.4 Subject to statutory provision, a review of this Policy will take place periodically and any revisions to the Policy will be made taking into account information collated over a period of time; the outcomes of related initiatives at central and local government level and appropriate consultation.
- 1.5 Nothing in this statement should be regarded or interpreted as any indication that any statutory requirement regarding sex entertainment establishments or other relevant law is to be overridden.

#### **Declaration**

- 1.6 The Authority in the preparation of this Policy has had due regard to:
  - The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982
  - The Policing and Crime Act 2009
  - Current guidance issued by the Home Office
  - Responses from those consulted on the Statement.

#### Consultation

1.7 Whilst there is no statutory requirement for the Licensing Authority to consult on the Licensing Authority Statement of Principles, the Home Office Guidance provides a requirement to do so in respect of local people. In addition the Authority has consulted with the chief officer of police for the area.

A full list of consultees is shown at **Appendix 1** along with the response received by the Authority.

### Local Area profile

1.8 Bolsover is a local government district in Derbyshire, England. It borders the districts of #########. We have a population of approximately ########.

The District and its surroundings abound with historical attractions, natural beauty with rolling countryside and dramatic landscapes and is an ideal base for businesses, with excellent transport links.

The District has good rail, road and air connections, with M1 junctions, Robin Hood Line train stations in the District and five international airports nearby.

1.9 A local area profile has been prepared based on local knowledge and taking into account a wide range of factors, data and information held by the Licensing Authority and its partners. It is anticipated that the local area profile will give operators a better awareness of the local area and both potential and actual risks. This is available on the Council's website.

**Appendix 2** is a map showing the administrative boundaries of the district.

#### **Authorised activities**

- 1.10 The Act gives licencing authorities important regulatory functions in relation to sex establishments. The main functions are to:
  - licence sex establishments
  - regulate sex establishments

### Relationship with other legislation

1.11 In complying with the provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (as amended) the Authority recognises the requirements of other legislation and this Statement is not intended to duplicate the existing legislation and regulatory orders which create statutory obligations.

### Rights of applicants

1.12 This Statement does not override the right of any person to make an application under the Act and have that application considered on its individual merits.

### Data sharing and data security

1.13 The Authority will act in accordance with the provisions of the Act in its exchange of information and those of the Data Protection Regulation 2018 (GDPR). The Authority will also have regard to any guidance issued by the Home Office on this matter.

### **Equality and Diversity**

1.14 Bolsover District Council is committed to promoting equal opportunities, valuing diversity and tackling social exclusion. The Council will aim to provide opportunities that meet the diverse needs of different people and groups of people by ensuring that services and employment opportunities are accessible to all. Everyone will be treated fairly and with respect. Diverse needs will be understood and valued. The Council will aim to eradicate all forms of discrimination.

### 2. General Principles

2.1 A decision to refuse a licence application will not be made on moral grounds or on the ground that such an establishment might cause offence.

### Mandatory grounds for the refusal of an application

2.2 Mandatory grounds set out in the Act for the refusal of an application are that the applicant:

- is under the age of 18,
- is for the time being disqualified from holding a sex establishment licence.
- is not a body corporate, and is not resident or has not been resident in a EEA state for six months immediately preceding the date of the application,
- is a body corporate which is not incorporated in an EEA state,
- has in the period of 12 months preceding the date of the application been refused the grant or renewal of a licence for the premises, vehicle, vessel, or stall in respect of which the application is made, unless the refusal has been reversed on appeal.

## Discretionary grounds for the refusal of an application

- 2.3 Discretionary grounds set out in the Act for the refusal of an application for a sex establishment licence are that:
  - the applicant is unsuitable to hold a licence by reason of having been convicted of an offence or for any other reason
  - if the licence were granted, the business to which it relates would be managed by or carried on for the benefit of a person, other than the applicant, who would be refused the grant of such a licence if he made the application himself
  - the number of sex establishments, or sex establishments of a particular kind, in the relevant locality at the time the application is made is equal to or exceeds the number which the authority consider is appropriate to that locality (nil may be an "appropriate number" where the character of the area is considered to be unsuitable for the siting of a sex establishment.
  - Grant of a licence would be inappropriate, having regard to:
    - the character of the relevant locality
    - the use to which the premises in the vicinity are put
    - the layout, character or condition of the premises, vehicle or stall in respect of which the application is made

## Suitability of applicant

- 2.4 When considering the suitability of an applicant to hold a licence the Council will take into account such matters as it considers to be relevant including but not limited to whether the applicant:
  - is honest
  - is qualified by experience to run the type of sex establishment in question
  - has a clear understanding of the conditions that may be attached to the licence
  - any conviction of a nature that would, in the view of the Council, deem him/her unsuitable, including but not limited to theft, drug

- offences, sexual offences, violent offences or those relating to prostitution
- has or intends to have a management structure in place which delivers compliance with any operating conditions likely to be imposed on the grant of any such licence, including but not limited to managerial competence and presence, management structure, an internal rules enforcement policy, business plan and policies regarding the welfare of dancers, performers and staff, including but not limited to how they will be protected and how their physical and psychological welfare will be monitored
- can be relied upon to protect members of the public from exploitation, including but not limited to transparent charging and freedom from solicitation
- can demonstrate a track record of management of compliant premises, or that he/she will employ individuals who can demonstrate the same.

The Council will require the applicant to identify the proposed manager or beneficiary of the business, such requirement to continue following any grant of licence in the event of change of personnel. In the event of such change, the Council will apply the principles at 2.2 and 2.3 above (see page 8).

## Appropriate numbers and localities

- 2.5 There is provision within the Act to enable the Council to impose a numerical control on the number of sex establishments in a particular locality. The control applies not only to the number of sex establishments overall but, also to the number of each kind of premises.
- 2.6 The Council may refuse a licence on the grounds that the number of licences of that type is equal to or exceeds the number which the Council considers is appropriate for that locality. Nil may be the appropriate number where the character of an area is considered to be unsuitable for the siting of a sex establishment.
- 2.7 The Council has taken into account its own corporate strategies and priorities as represented by Bolsover's Council Plan, the Bolsover Safeguarding Adults Board Strategy, of the legal context and public consultation in determining its policy in this regard.

## **Sexual Entertainment Venues**

2.8 The consultation showed that a majority of all respondents considered that Sexual Entertainment Venues are inappropriate in the vicinity of:

[LIST BASED ON RESULTS]

2.9 In addition the consultation revealed that a significant majority of all respondents consider that Sexual Entertainment Venues are inappropriate in the vicinity of:

## [LIST BASED ON RESULTS]

- 2.10 The Council's policy is therefore that there is a presumption against licensing a sexual entertainment venue in proximity to any of these sensitive locations.
- 2.11 In considering each of its Ward areas the Council has considered if there are any localities which would fall outside of the areas and locations described in 2.9 and 2.10 above. The Council will comply with its obligation to consider applications when submitted but the Council considers, as a matter of policy, that there [is no] locality in the District where it would be appropriate for Sex Entertainment Venues to be located.
- 2.12 [The Council has [not] determined a limit in each locality in relation to sex establishment venues; [applications will be dealt with on a case by case basis, with reference to the above criteria]].

#### **Sex Cinemas**

2.13 The consultation showed that a majority of all respondents considered that Sex Cinemas are inappropriate in the vicinity of:

## [LIST BASED ON RESULTS]

- 2.14 A majority of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that [sex cinemas are inappropriate in [any locality] in the District]. The Council's policy is therefore that there is a presumption against licensing sex cinemas in any of these types of areas.
- 2.15 In addition the consultation revealed that a significant majority of respondents consider that sex cinemas are inappropriate in the vicinity of:

## [LIST BASED ON RESULTS]

- 2.16 The Council's policy is therefore that there is a presumption against licensing sex cinemas in proximity to any of these sensitive locations.
- 2.17 In considering each of its Wards the Council has considered if there are localities which would fall outside of the areas and locations described in 2.14 and 2.15 above (page 10). The Council will comply with its obligations to consider applications when submitted but the Council considers, as a matter of policy that there is [no locality] in the District where it would be appropriate for sex cinemas to be located.
- 2.18 The Council has [not] determined a limit in each locality in relation to sex cinemas; [applications will be dealt with on a case by case basis, with reference to the above criteria].

## Sex Shops

- 2.19 The consultation showed that a majority of respondents considered that sex shops are inappropriate in:
  - [LIST]
- 2.20 A majority of all respondents considered that sex shops are inappropriate in [any locality in Bolsover]. The Council's policy is therefore that there is a presumption against licensing sex shops in any of these types of areas.
- 2.21 In addition the consultation revealed that a majority of residents in North East Derbyshire consider that sex shops are inappropriate in the vicinity of:
  - [LIST]
- 2.22 The Council's policy is therefore that there is a presumption against licensing sex shops in proximity to any of these sensitive locations.
- 2.23 [The Council has [not] determined a limit in each locality in relation to sex shops; [applications will be dealt with on a case by case basis, reference to the above criteria]].

## [Links to other legislation[

2.24 The Council will pay particular regard to the following legislation in when applications are determined:

## (a) Crime and Disorder Act 1998

This Act places a duty on the Council to exercise its functions with due regard to:

- Crime and disorder (including anti-social behaviour) in the area
- The misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances in the area

In the determination of a licence application the Council will consider the likely impact on these issues and the need to do all that is reasonable to prevent them.

#### (b) Equality Act 2010

Under this Act, no one may discriminate, harass, or victimise another in respect of their:

- age
- disability
- gender reassignment
- marriage or civil partnership
- pregnancy or maternity
- race
- religion or belief

- sex
- sexual orientation

The Act itself includes a Public Sector Equality Duty. This is consistent with both the Council's policy referred to at 2.24 above and the duties imposed by the Act referred to in 2.24(b) above. The Council must and will show "due regard" to:

- eliminating discrimination, harassment and victimisation
- advancing equality of opportunity
- fostering good relations between people who share a "protected characteristic" (shown above) and
- fostering good relations between those who have a protected characteristic and those who do not.

The Council is aware that sex establishments tend to be predominantly marketed to men. The licensing of these establishments must not encourage discrimination, especially those who work at or visit such premises or those who frequent the areas around such premises.

Therefore, in the determination of applications, the Council will consider its Public Sector Equality Duty, including attaching appropriate conditions to licences where granted.

## (c) Human Rights Act 1998

The European Convention on Human Rights makes it unlawful for a public authority to act in a way which is incompatible with a Convention right. The Council will pay particular regard to the following relevant provisions of the European Convention of Human Rights:

- Article 6 (entitlement to a fair and proper hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial tribunal
- Article 8 (a right to respect for home and private life)
- Article 10 (freedom of expression)
- Article 1 of the First Protocol (right to peaceful enjoyment of possessions).

## (d) The Provision of Services Regulations 2009

The Regulations ensure that any refusal of a licence must be:

- non-discriminatory in regard to nationality, necessary for reasons of public policy, public security, public health or the protection of the environment, and proportionate with regard to the objective pursued by the legislation.
- The Council will consider these three requirements in relation to the refusal of licence applications.

## (e) Licensing Act 2003

The Licensing Act applied to certain "licensable activities" namely:-

- the sale by retail of alcohol
- the supply of alcohol by or on behalf of a club to a member
- the provision of "regulated entertainment" and
- the provision of late night refreshment

An Applicant may also be regulated under the Licensing Act 2003, insofar as they are carrying out licensable activities as described above. Where a condition conflicts with a condition in a Licensing Act 2003 premises licence, the more onerous shall apply.

## (f) Any other relevant current or future legislation

## **Planning and Building Regulations**

- 2.25 The use of premises is subject to planning control and all premises which are the subject of an application should have the benefit of planning permission or permitted development rights, proof of which shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
- 2.26 In addition, where building works have been executed production of a Building Regulations Completion Certificate and evidence of approval by a building control body will be required.

## Advertising

2.27 Standard licence conditions will include a requirement that all advertising and the external appearance of the premises (including any changes subsequently made) are approved by the Council (see **Appendix 5** – Standard Conditions (see page 22)).

## **Staff Training**

2.28 Standard conditions include a requirement that all persons employed on licensed premises shall be trained in particular in relation to the offences created by the Act and the conditions of the licence. Such training shall be documented, retained for a minimum of one year and made available for inspection on request by an authorised officer of the Council or a police officer.

## **Prohibition from fining of staff**

2.29 For reasons of gender inequality, a standard condition will be imposed prohibiting this practice.

## Whistleblowing

2.30 To ensure staff confidence in reporting licence or other breaches, standard conditions will include a requirement of a code of conduct for anonymous reporting to the manager of a venue and/or to the Licensing Authority.

## **Exemptions**

- 2.31 The following sexual entertainment venues are exempt by the Act from a licensing requirement. These are defined as premises where:
  - relevant entertainment has been provided on no more than 11 occasions within a 12 month period, and
  - no such occasion has begun within a period of 1 month beginning with the end of the previous occasions, and
  - no such occasion has lasted more than 24 hours, and
  - other premises or types of premises or display exempted by the Secretary of State.
- 2.32 **Note**: This exemption does not apply to sex shops or sex cinemas.

## 3. Applications procedure

- 3.1 Applications must be made to the Council in the form prescribed and must be submitted with all supporting documents and the licence fee. (Form available from on the website [LINK TO WEBSITE])
- 3.2 The applicant's suitability will be checked before a licence is granted to ensure that the interests of the public are protected. The criteria to be applied will be that the applicant:
  - is honest,
  - has a clear understanding of the conditions that may be attached to the licence,
  - has a suitable business plan which will deliver compliance of the standard conditions, and
  - has no convictions of a nature deeming him/her unsuitable, for example (but not limited to) theft, drug offences, sexual offences, violent offences, or any relating to prostitution.
- 3.3 Suitability checks will be made by the following means:
  - contents of application form,
  - criminal records.
  - personal interview.
  - information/intelligence relating to any previous licenses held, and
  - accreditation.
- 3.4 Application forms will be sent to Derbyshire Constabulary which may conduct its own checks and interview the applicant.

- 3.5 Non-compliance with one or more of the above criteria may not necessarily prevent the applicant from being granted a licence; it will be for the applicant to satisfy the Council that the interests of the public are protected.
- 3.6 Checks and enquiries may also be made regarding the applicant's business structure (to ensure that he/she is not submitting an application on behalf of an individual or company not suitable to be granted a licence in their or its own right). Checks may be made with other Licensing Authorities enforcement agencies and/or Companies House. Applicants may be required to produce business records.

#### **Fees**

3.7 The fee must be submitted with the application and is based on the costs incurred by the Council in determining the application.

#### **Plans**

- 3.8 The applicant must submit an appropriate number of plans/drawings (to an appropriate scale) to allow the identification of:
  - the locality of the premises and proximity of any sensitive sites
  - the external footprint of the premises.

The internal layout of the premises (to include areas where licensable activities will take place, staff areas, changing rooms, welfare facilities, means of access and egress, fire escapes, etc).

#### **Notices**

- 3.9 Under the Act an applicant must advertise the application in the following ways and within 7 days of the application being submitted to the Council:
  - by publication of an advertisement in a local newspaper,
  - by displaying a notice of the application on or near the premises for 21 consecutive days, and
  - by sending a copy of the notice of application to the Chief Officer for Derbyshire Constabulary.
- 3.10 Proof that the above steps have been taken will be required of the Applicant. In addition to the above statutory requirements, the Council recommends that the occupants of any nearby premises are notified by the applicant of details of the application. All new applications will be published on the Council's website.

## **Objections**

- 3.11 Anyone may object to an application and should do so in writing no later than 21 days after the date of the application. Objections can be on any matter save for on moral grounds or values. Appropriate weight will be given to objections relating to the purpose of the legislation.
- 3.12 The Council will notify the applicant in writing of the general terms of any objection received within the above period however details of the objectors' identities will be redacted unless they wish to have their details revealed is specifically stated in the objection.

## **Hearings – decision-making process**

- 3.13 It is the Council's practice to provide notice of committee and sub- committee hearings to all interested parties no later than 7 days before hearings. The notice will include the date and time and procedure of the hearing and will require the addressee to confirm their attendance and that of any witnesses they may wish to call. Hearings will be conducted in public, save where the public interest requires otherwise.
- 3.14 In determining licence applications under the Act the Council will take into consideration the application before it, this Policy, any objections received as well as local knowledge, including local issues and cultural sensitivities.
- 3.15 The decision to refuse or revoke a licence can be made by the Licensing Sub-committee or Officers. Any decision will be accompanied by clear reasons for the decision.
- 3.16 Where possible a decision will be given verbally at the sub-committee hearing, with written reasons to follow. In exceptional circumstances the sub-committee may defer the decision in order to allow further consideration of the case and in such circumstances the decision and reasons will be issued to all parties in writing.

#### Conditions

3.17 The Council will impose standard conditions on all licences save where deemed necessary the Council may add to, change or replace the standard conditions with conditions which are relevant to the particular application. The standard conditions can be found at [Appendix 5] below (see page 22).

## Right of Appeal

3.18 The applicant has a right to appeal the Council's decision to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of written reasons. There is no right of appeal for objectors. Further information may be found at section 27 of the Act.

#### Term of licence

3.19 A sex establishment licence shall remain in force for a maximum period of one year. The Council may grant a licence for a shorted period should it be deemed necessary and a licence may be brought to an end by surrender or revocation.

#### Renewal/transfer

- 3.20 The process for renewal or transfer of a licence follows that for an application for a new licence.
- 3.21 Applications for renewal must be made prior to the date of expiry. Without prejudice to the ultimate decision taken by the Council the licence will then be deemed to continue until the application is either withdrawn or determined by the Council.
- 3.22 Previous conduct and history of a licence holder or applicant will be taken into consideration when assessing a renewal or transfer application.

#### Variation

3.23 A licence holder may apply for a variation in terms or conditions of a licence at any time and the process to do so is that for licence applications, save for the requirement to provide plans will only apply where the variation relates to structural alterations.

#### Revocation

- 3.24 The Council may revoke a sex establishment licence if information is received relevant to either the mandatory grounds for refusal as set out in the Act or the first of the two discretionary grounds, detailed at paragraph 2.3 above (see page 8).
- 3.25 In the event of consideration by the Council of revocation the licensee will be given an opportunity to appear before and be heard by the Licensing [sub-??] committee.
- 3.26 The licensee will be given a statement in writing of the reasons for consideration of revocation no later than seven days before the hearing.
- 3.27 The revocation will take effect once the appeal period referred to in paragraph 3.18 above (see page 16) has expired, or if an appeal is lodged after the determination or abandonment of the appeal.

#### Waiver

3.28 Provisions within the Act allow licensing authorities to waive the need for a licence. Should the Council decide that a licence would be unreasonable or inappropriate, it may waive the need for a licence, for example in the case

- of a medical bookshop, sex clinic, in borderline cases, to correct errors or for minor or temporary events.
- 3.29 The Council will only waive the need for a licence where activity is low risk and/or temporary and a waiver will not be considered in cases where a licence is reasonable and appropriate or where a licence is in the public interest.
- 3.30 An application for a waiver should be made on the same form as that required for a new licence and should be accompanied by a letter setting out the grounds relied on for such a waiver. There is no requirement for such an application to be advertised prior to submission. A fee is payable on submission. Applicants should contact the Licensing Section before making the application.
- 3.31 A decision to waive the need for a licence will be taken by the licensing [sub?]committee and a Notice of Waiver will be issued thereafter in the event of the application being granted.
- 3.32 Unsuccessful applicants for waivers will be notified in writing and a formal application for a sex establishment licence should be made thereafter in the usual way.



## Appendix 4

## **Interpretations**

- **Advertisement** means any word, letter, image, model, sign, placard, board, notice, device or representation, whether illuminated or not, in the nature of and employed wholly or partly for the purposes of announcement or promotion.
- **Authorised Officer** means an officer employed by Bolsover District Council and authorised by the Council to act in accordance with provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.
- The Council means Bolsover District Council
- **Displays of nudity** means exposure of a person's pubic area, genitals or anus and in addition, in the case of a woman, exposure of her nipples.
- **Dancer/performer** includes any person (employed or otherwise) who provides relevant entertainment.
- **Lap dance** means a type of entertainment in which a scantily clad person dances erotically close to a paying customer.
- **Licence** means any sex establishment licence which the Council has the power to grant under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.
- **Licensee** means the holder of a sex establishment licence.
- **Licensed area** means that part of premises marked on a relevant plan where licensable activities are to take place.
- **Premises** includes any vehicle, vessel, or stall save for any private dwelling to which the public is not admitted.
- Relevant entertainment means any live performance (including verbal) or any live display of nudity which is of such a nature that, regardless of financial gain, it can be reasonably assumed to be provided solely or principally for the purpose of sexually stimulating any member of the audience.
- **Responsible person** means the person nominated by the licensee to assume personal control of and be present on the premises whilst those premises are open to the public (the manager).
- Sex shop means any premises, vehicle vessel or stall used for a business consisting to a significant degree of selling, renting, exchanging, lending, displaying or demonstrating sex articles or other things intended for use in connection with or for the purpose of stimulating or sexual activity or gratification.

- **Sexual entertainment venue** means any premises at which relevant entertainment is provided before a live audience, directly or indirectly for the financial gain of the organiser.
- **Standard conditions** means terms, requirements or restrictions contained or referred to in the schedule to a licence granted under Schedule 3.
- **Table dance** means a type of entertainment in which a scantily dressed person dances erotically at the table of paying customers or of individual members of the audience.
- **Unsolicited advertising** means any material distributed or circulated without request for the purposes of promotion and includes newspaper, television, radio and social media advertising and flyers and posters.
- **Vehicle** means a conveyance for transporting people or goods on land or water.
- **Worker** means any person who works on or at premises, whether for pay or otherwise and includes managers, bar staff, security personnel, dancers, performers, entertainers, and any other person otherwise involved in the operation of premises during a period when licensable activity is taking place.



## Appendix 4

#### **Standard Conditions**

## **Sexual Entertainment Venues**

#### General

- 1. In accordance with Home Office guidance, where a condition conflicts with a condition in a Licensing Act 2003 premises licence, the more onerous shall apply.
- 2. Unless stated otherwise, a licence shall remain in force for one year from the date on the licence, after which it shall cease to have effect unless an application for renewal has been submitted before the expiry of the one year period in the manner prescribed by the Council.
- 3. A licence may be revoked by the Council at any time if the holder of a licence is convicted of an offence of using licensed premises other than in accordance with the terms or conditions or restrictions on the licence or is convicted of any offence under any enactment specified in paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Conditions) Act 1982 as amended.
- 4. In the event of a conflict between any standard condition and any special condition contained in a licence, the requirements of a special condition shall prevail.
- 5. The name of the premises must be approved by the Council in writing in advance of the use of such name. Any change to the name must be approved in the same way.

## Display of the licence

6. The licence or certified copy of the same shall be prominently displayed so as to be readily and easily seen by all persons using or visiting the premises at all times. A copy of the conditions of licence shall be kept on or at the premises and shall be available for inspection by an authorised officer of the Council at all times.

## **Hours of Opening**

7. Except with the written consent of the Council, the premises shall only open to the public during the hours specified in the licence.

## **Conduct of the premises**

8. Relevant entertainment shall only be performed by the dancer/performer: there must be no audience participation.

- 9. Dancers/performers shall only perform on the stage area or in booths or areas as specified by the Council and identified on the plan attached to the licence.
- 10. Customers shall only be permitted to dance in areas specified by the Council as being separate from areas for sexual entertainment and identified on a plan attached to the licence.
- 11. Performances shall be restricted to dancing and the removal of clothes. There shall be no other form of sexual activity or stimulation (which includes kissing).
- 12. The use of sex toys and penetration of the genital area by any means during performances are prohibited.
- 13. Dancers/performers shall re-dress at the conclusion of each performance.
- 14. Customers shall not be permitted to throw money at dancers/performers.
- 15. No customers shall be admitted to or be permitted to remain on the premises if they appear to be intoxicated or behave in an unruly manner.
- 16. Customers shall remain fully clothed at all times.
- 17. The taking of photographs, making of videos or similar recordings (including through use of mobile or video streaming devices of the relevant entertainment shall not be permitted. This condition excludes fixed CCTV which is required as a condition of any licence
- 18. Customers shall not be permitted to be alone with a dancer/performer in any area to which the public do not have direct access.
- 19. There shall be a sufficient number of staff present inside the premises to supervise customers and dancers/performers.
- 20. Save for toilets available for use of both dancers/performers and customers, performers/dancers shall only be in the company of customers in an area open to the public.
- 21. Single-sex toilet facilities shall be made available for the exclusive use of performers/dancers.
- 22. Notices shall be clearly displayed on each table, bar and at the entrance to the premises stating that:
  - (1) There is to be no physical contact between dancers/performers;
  - (2) A minimum distance of 300 millimetres is to be maintained between dancers/performers and customers.

- 23. Performers/dancers shall at all times wear as a minimum a non-transparent G-string and at no time shall they reveal any part of their genitalia or anus.
- 24. Dancers/performers shall not be permitted at any time to:
  - (1) Display or perform any act which simulates any sexual act;
  - (2) Touch a customer (save for the purposes of necessary and proportionate restraint and/or self-defence)
  - (3) Touch the breasts or genitals of another dancer/performer;
  - (4) Use sexually graphic language;
  - (5) Sit on or straddling of a customer;
  - (6) Climb onto furniture provided for customers or place their feet on a customer's seat:
  - (7) Remains in a state of undress once they have completed their act;
  - (8) Expose any part of their genitalia or anus at any time and wears (as a minimum) a non-transparent G-string;
  - (9) Engage in communication with customers in a way which could be reasonably interpreted as constituting solicitation or prostitution
- 25. During any performance of a table dance customers shall remain seated in an upright position against the back of their seat with their hands by their sides.

## External appearance and notices

26. There shall be a notice displayed inside each entrance or doorway to the premises, clearly visible on entering the premises, setting out the following words and no others:

# "STRICTLY NO ADMITTANCE TO PERSONS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

These premises operate a Challenge 25 policy.

Persons who appear to be under the age of 25 will be required to show proof of age".

- 27. The external appearance of the premises shall be approved by the Council in writing. Any change to the external appearance shall be approved by the Council in advance. The operator shall advise of any proposed change in writing (such notification to include a drawing of the existing and proposed street elevation). Approval by the Council, in writing, shall be obtained before work is undertaken.
- 28. Access to the licensed area of the premises shall be through a lobby or entrance area which is constructed in such a way that that part of the interior where relevant entertainment takes place is not visible to passing members of the public when the doors of the premises are open.
- 29. Windows and other means by which the interior of the premises might otherwise be viewed into shall be obscured in a manner and with materials

- approved by the Council so as to prevent any member of the public from seeing into the premises.
- 30. External signage shall only be illuminated or displayed during times when the premises are open.

## **Advertising**

- 31. No unsolicited written, visual or auditory advertising material, posters, signage or window display shall be sexually explicit or otherwise designed in a way likely to cause a detriment to the amenity or character of the local vicinity.
- 32. Unsolicited written, visual or auditory advertising shall be approved in advance of its use by the Council in writing.
- 33. No verbal promotion, touting or advertising of the premises shall be permitted and nor shall staff or subcontractors be permitted to direct potential customers to any means of transport connected with the premises.
- 34. No distribution of flyers or leaflets advertising or promoting the premises is permitted other than at times that the premises are open and licensable activities are taking place and at those times only within a 100 metre radius of the premises. All such flyers and leaflets shall be removed from the highway within that radius by 5am. Flyers shall not be distributed to any person under the age of 18 years.

## Layout of the premises

- 36. Access to ground floor premises by customers shall be through two or more doors placed consecutively, so arranged as to ensure that when a person enters or leaves, the interior of the premises is not visible to persons outside the premises. The first set of entry doors must be fitted with a device to ensure their automatic closure and such a device must be maintained in good working order.
- 37. No access shall be permitted within the premises either to or from adjoining or adjacent premises save in the case of an emergency.
- 38. Save for routine maintenance work, any alterations shall be approved in advance by the Council in writing.
- 39. Any reopening of premises following a closure of longer than two weeks for works to be executed shall require the prior notification of the Council of the satisfactory completion of those works by the licensee.

## Management of the premises

- 40. The licensee or a person nominated by him/her to manage the premises on his/her behalf ("a responsible person") shall be present at all times when the premises are open to members of the public.
- 41. Where a licensee is an incorporated or unincorporated business, any change of director, company secretary or other person responsible for the management of the business shall be notified to the Council within 14 days of such change. Any details or information relating thereto requested by the Council in writing shall be furnished within 14 days of such request.
- 42. Any person nominated by the licensee to act as a responsible person in his/her absence shall be:
  - a) provided with a copy of the conditions of the licence and have an understanding of them;
  - b) provided with written confirmation of such role, and
  - c) able to produce such written confirmation, on demand, to an authorised officer of the Council or a police officer at all times when at work on the premises.
- 43. Any criminal charge or conviction relating to either the licensee or (in the event that the licensee is a body corporate) any director, company secretary, or any manager employed by the licensee shall be notified to the Council within 7 days of any such charge or conviction.
- 44. Control of all parts of the premises shall be retained by the licensee at all times: no part shall be let, nor licence granted nor possession surrendered of any part of the premises and the Council shall be notified within 24 hours in the event that any part of the premises is affected by termination of lease or other event affecting the licensee's control of the premises.
- 45. No members of the public shall be admitted access to any part of the premises not approved by the Council for such access.
- 46. A record shall be made and retained on the premises of all workers, including their full names, dates of birth, current and previous address and any convictions recorded against them (subject to the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1984).
- 47. A copy of the above mentioned record shall be made available for inspection on the request of an authorised Council officer or police officer.
- 48. No person under the age of 18 years shall be either admitted to the premises or employed to work in connection with the premises.
- 49. A "Challenge 25" age verification policy shall operate on the premises (persons who appear to be under the age of 25 shall be required to show proof of age prior to gaining admission to the premises) and a notice to this effect shall be prominently displayed on the premises.

- 50. Compliance with all relevant statutory and regulatory provisions shall be maintained at all times.
- 51. A draft code of practice for dancers/performers shall be submitted to the Council and to the police for approval. Following such approval, a copy of such code shall be provided to each dancer/performer and prominently displayed in areas to which they have access.
- 52. The licensee must ensure that a draft code of practice for customers is submitted to the Council and to the police for approval. Following such approval, the licensee must ensure that a copy of such code is prominently displayed at each entrance to the premises, at the entrance to any private dance areas and in any other areas specified by the Council.
- 53. Price lists for both drinks and sexual entertainment shall be clearly displayed at each entrance to the premises, at each bar and at each table.
- 54. Suitable and sufficient training shall be provided to all staff, such training to be documented and documentation relating thereto made available for production to an authorised Council officer or police officer on request.
- 55. Both the licensee's name and that of any of the manager on duty shall be prominently displayed on the premises at all times when the premises are open to members of the public.

## Safety and security

- 56. A colour digital CCTV system, capable of recording, shall be operational at the premises at all times when the premises are open to members of the public, such system to cover all areas to which members of the public have access (save for toilets).
- 57. CCTV cameras shall be located as designated by the Council on any site plan and no changes made to such location without the prior written consent of the Council and police.
- 58. CCTV systems shall be of such standard as to ensure identification of persons and activities and (in the event of the premises including a parking area) vehicle registration number plates to ensure constant and accurate time and date generation.
- 59. CCTV footage shall be retained and stored for a continuous period of 28 days.
- 60. Retained CCTV footage shall be downloaded or copied in such a way as to be in a viewable format and available for inspection or seizure on request of an authorised Council officer or police officer.
- 61. The licensee and any responsible person shall be trained in the use of the premises' CCTV equipment, including the production of footage or images to the police or an authorised Council officer and in the legal duties and powers contained in the Data Protection Act 1998 and General Data Protection Regulations 2018 relating thereto.

- 62. CCTV footage shall be retained at all times in a secure environment and sufficient measures taken to prevent any unauthorised or unlawful viewing, tampering or copying, or other breach of any statutory provisions relating thereto.
- 63. A minimum of two Security Industry Authority registered door staff shall be present at all times when the premises are open to members of the public.
- 64. An incident log shall be retained and made available for endorsement by the licensee, any responsible person, all members of staff and performers/dancers at the premises and for production to an authorised Council officer or police officer on request and such log shall record each and every:
  - a) alleged crime reported at the venue;
  - b) ejection of members of the public;
  - c) complaint received;
  - d) incident of disorder:
  - e) seizure of drugs or offensive weapons;
  - f) fault in the CCTV system or any search or scanning equipment;
  - g) refusal of sale of alcohol;
  - h) visit by police or Council officer or emergency services employee; and
  - i) alleged breach of licence condition reported by any person.
- 65. A fire safety risk assessment shall be carried out in connection with the premises and any written assessment report produced therefrom shall be retained on the premises and made available for inspection by an authorised Council officer or police officer.
- 66. Good order shall be maintained on the premises at all times and all persons, on leaving and entering, shall conduct themselves in such a way as to cause no annoyance, alarm or distress to either residents in the vicinity or persons passing by.

## Dancer/performer welfare

- 67. No dancer/performer shall be under the age of 18.
- 68. Proof shall be required that each dancer/performer has the right to work in the UK and have no convictions for offences of a dishonest, drug-related, violent or sexual nature. Evidence thereof shall be retained on the premises and made available for inspection by an authorised Council officer or police officer
- 69. Each dancer/performer shall be provided with copies of the following documents:
  - (a) a copy of the conditions attached to the Sex Establishment Licence;

- (b) details of any other conditions applied by the management of the premises;
- (c) a copy of the code of practice for dancers/performers;
- (d) a copy of the code of conduct for customers;
- (e) a copy of the process for anonymous reporting of concerns to management and the Licensing Authority (the "whistleblowing policy");
- (f) a copy of the price list for sexual entertainment and alcoholic drinks; and
- (g) a record, signed and dated by the dancer/performer, shall be kept of the provision of the above documents.
- 70. Dancers/performers shall be provided with private secure dressing rooms, facilities to secure personal possessions and adequate sanitation facilities and copies of the documents listed in condition 66 above (see page 28) shall be displayed therein.
- 71. At least one member of staff authorised to be responsible for the safety and welfare of dancers/performers shall be present and on duty at all times when licensable activities are taking place. This person should be the same gender and/or who identifies as the same gender as the dancer/performers.
- 72. All booths and VIP areas used for private dancers shall be visible and accessible to supervision when licensable activities are taking place.
- 73. All booths and VIP areas used for private dancing are directly supervised by either a SIA registered door supervisor or a member of staff who has direct contact with a SIA registered door supervisor on the premises at all times when licensable activities are taking place. **Note**: CCTV monitoring will NOT amount to compliance with this condition.
- 74. Dancers/performers shall only be in a state of undress in the licensable area when performing on stage or providing a table or lap dance.
- 75. Any person present in the premises who may be observed from outside the premises shall be properly and decently dressed.
- 76. There shall be no practice of fining in place for breach of any rule or condition, whether relating to the terms of the licence, management or other policy.
- 77. Customers and staff shall not interact whilst using any smoking area and dancers/performers shall be dressed in at least robes or coats of knee length whilst using such an area.
- 78. During lap or table dancing performances customers shall remain seated, fully clothed, with hands clearly visible and either resting on the chair/sofa on which they are sat.
- 79. In the event that a dancer/performer is invited to have a drink with a customer, the dancer/performer shall remain fully clothed during throughout.
- 80. No dancer/performer shall be paid commission on the sale of drinks.

- 81. Dancers/performers shall be escorted to their transport by a SIA registered supervisor on leaving the premises.
- 82. Individual records shall be kept at the premises in respect of each dancer/performer, to include either a copy of their birth certificate, current passport, driving licence or national identity card and such records shall be available for inspection by an authorised Council officer and police officers of the Licensing Authority on request.
- 83. Current or prospective dancers/performers shall not to be discriminated against and their legal rights shall be upheld in the course of both their employment and the employment process; this includes rights in relation to age, race, physical ability or affiliation with any organisation.
- 84. Save in the instance set out in condition 85 below, in the case of licensed premises which are a vessel, vehicle or stall, the vessel, vehicle or stall shall not be moved from the location specified in the licence without 28 days prior written notice to the Licensing Authority of such intention. The Authority may require the licensee to lodge such written application as it may deem appropriate and such fee as it may deem reasonable.
- 85. The requirements set out in condition 84 above shall not apply where the vessel, vehicle or stall is being moved to another place for storage only, the details of which location having been specified in the licence.
- 86. No vessel, vehicle or stall shall be used for personal solicitation, touting or advertising.

## Variation of conditions

- 87. The Council may, at the time of granting or renewing the licence, waive, modify or vary these conditions as it sees necessary.
- 88. The licensee may apply to the Council to vary any of the terms of the licence.
- 89. Applications for variation of conditions of licence must be advertised by the licensee in the same manner as an application for the grant, renewal or transfer of a licence.

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#### Standard Conditions

## **Sex Cinemas**

#### General

- Unless stated otherwise, the licence hereby granted will remain in force for one year from the date on the licence, after which it will cease to be in effect unless an application for renewal is submitted in the manner prescribed by the Council.
- 2. The licence may be revoked by the Council if at any time the holder is convicted of an offence of using the licensed premises, or other premises for which a similar licence has been granted, other than in accordance with the terms, conditions or restrictions of the licence or is convicted of any offence under any enactment specified in paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended.
- 3. In the event of a conflict between these conditions and any special conditions contained in a licence relating to a sex establishment the special conditions shall prevail.
- 4. The name of the premises must be approved by the Council in writing. Any change to the name of the premises must be approved by the Council in writing in advance of its use.

#### **Exhibition of the licence**

5. The licence or a true copy shall be prominently displayed at all times so as to be readily and easily seen by all persons using the premises and all authorised officers. A copy of the conditions attached to the licence shall be kept on the premises and be available for inspection by an authorised officer of the Council or police officer.

## **Hours of opening**

6. Except with the written consent of the Council, the premises shall only be open to the public during the hours specified in the licence.

## Use of the premises

- 7. The premises shall be used solely for the exhibition of films.
- 8. Person to person solicitation or touting from the premises shall be conducted in such a way as not to cause concern to the public or the licencing authority. Literature relating to the premises shall contain no images or text of a sexually explicit, obscene or offensive nature.

9. No part of the premises shall be used for the purposes of solicitation of or actual prostitution.

## **External appearance**

10. A notice shall be displayed inside each entrance or doorway to the premises, clearly visible on entering the premises, setting out the following words and no others:

# "STRICTLY NO ADMITTANCE TO PERSONS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE These premises operate a "Challenge 25" policy.

# Persons who appear to be under the age of 25 will be required to show proof of age".

- 11. The external appearance of the premises shall be approved by the Council in writing. Any change to the external appearance shall be approved by the Council. The Council shall be notified in writing (such notification to include a drawing of the existing and proposed street elevation) of any proposed change and written consent to that change shall be obtained before any work is undertaken.
- 12. The frontage of the licensed premises shall be of such a nature as to ensure that the part of the premises where relevant entertainment is provided is not visible to passing members of the public when the door(s) to the premises are opened.
- 13. Any illuminated external signage shall only be lit and any portable signage displayed whilst the premises art open and licensable activities are taking place.

(N.B. Proposed alteration of RMBC's terms to match the provision for S.E.V.s in light of "necessity and proportionality" test in H.R.A.).

## Advertising

- 14. No unsolicited written, visual or auditory advertising material, posters, signage or window display shall be sexually explicit or otherwise designed in a way likely to cause a detriment to the amenity or character of the local vicinity.
- 15. Unsolicited written, visual or auditory advertising shall be approved in advance of its use by the Council in writing.
- 16. No verbal promotion, touting or advertising of the premises shall be permitted and nor shall staff or subcontractors be permitted to direct potential customers by any means of transport connected with the premises.
- 17. No distribution of flyers or leaflets advertising or promoting the premises is permitted other than at times that the premises are open and licensable activities are taking place and at those times only within a 100 metre radius

- of the premises. All such flyers and leaflets shall be removed from the highway within that radius by 5am. Flyers shall not be distributed to any person under the age of 18 years.
- 18. The content and distribution of flyers must not be such as to cause public offence.
- 19. Flyers must not be distributed by or to persons under the age of 18 years.

## Layout of the premises

- 20. Access to ground floor premises by customers shall be through two or more doors placed consecutively, so arranged as to ensure that when a person enters or leaves, the interior of the premises is not visible to persons outside the premises. The first set of entry doors must be fitted with a device to ensure their automatic closure and such a device must be maintained in good working order.
- 21. No access shall be permitted through the premises to any other adjoining or adjacent premises except in the case of emergency.
- 22. No alterations (whether temporary or otherwise), save for alterations in respect of routine maintain, shall be made to the structure and installations on the premises, without the prior written consent of the Council.
- 23. Where works necessitate the premises being closed for a period of time the Council must be given notification in writing of such action and the premises shall not reopen for the purpose of the licence, until the Council has been given written notice of the satisfactory completion of the works.
- 24. All parts of the premises shall be well maintained and kept in a clean condition to the satisfaction of the Council.

## Management of the premises

- 25. Where the licensee is a body corporate, or an unincorporated body, any change of director, company secretary or other person responsible for the management of the business shall be notified to the Council within 14 days of such change. Such details as the Council may require in respect of any such changes shall be furnished within 14 days of a request in writing from the Council.
- 26. The licensee, or responsible person nominated by the licensee in writing for the purpose of managing the venue shall have personal responsibility for and be present on the premises whilst the premises are open to the public. Any such written nomination shall be produced on demand to an authorised Council officer or police officer.
- 27. Any nominated person under paragraph 25 above shall be:

- (a) provided with a copy of the conditions relating to the premises and shall have an understanding of them; and
- (b) provide with a copy of the written nomination referred to in paragraph 25 above (page 33) at all times whilst present on the premises.
- 28. Any criminal charge or conviction relating to either the licensee or (in the event that the licensee is a body corporate) any director, company secretary, or any manager or responsible person employed by the licensee shall be notified to the Council within 7 days of any such charge or conviction.
- 29. The licensee shall retain control over all parts of the premises and shall not let, licence or part with possession of any part of the premises. The Council must be notified immediately in the event that any part of the premises is affected by the termination of a lease or other event affecting the licensee's control of the premises.
- 30. The licensee shall ensure that no members of the public are admitted to any part or parts of the premises not approved by the Council for such admittance.
- 31. The licensee shall keep a record of all staff or other workers on the premises, including names, addresses, dates of birth, current and preceding address and any convictions recorded against them (subject to the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1984).
- 32. A copy of staff or workers' records as above shall be produced on demand to an authorised officer of the Council or police officer.
- 33. No person under the age of 18 years shall be admitted to the premises.
- 34. The license shall operate a "Challenge 25" verification policy and persons who appear to be under the age of 25 years shall be required to show proof of age prior to admittance.
- 35. No person under the age of 18 years shall be employed in any capacity.
- 36. The licensee shall notify the Council immediately in the event of any changes to the management or operation of the premises.

## Safety and security

- 37. A colour digital CCTV system with capability to record, with time and date displayed shall be maintained and operational at the premises at all times when licensable activities are being carried out and at any other times when members of the public are present on the premises, such CCTV system to cover all areas occupied by members of the public save for toilets, but including corridors, stairways and car parks.
- 38. CCTV cameras shall be located as identified by the Council on the site plan and there shall be no adjustments to such locations without the prior written consent of Derbyshire Police and the Council.

- 39. The CCTV system shall provide a resolution quality sufficient to display and record physical identification of all persons, activities and vehicle registration numbers of vehicles within any car park to the premises.
- 40. Recorded CCTV footage shall be maintained and stored for a continuous period of 28 days.
- 41. Where CCTV is recorded onto a hard drive system, all discs produced (there from) shall be in a format capable of being played and viewed on a standard DVD player or computer.
- 42. The licensee and any responsible person shall be trained in the use of the premises' CCTV equipment, including the production of footage or images to the police or an authorised Council officer and in the legal duties and powers contained in the Data Protection Act 1998 and General Data Protection Regulations 2018 relating thereto.
- 43. Material recorded by CCTV equipment shall be stored in a secure environment to prevent tampering and unauthorised viewing.
- 44. Downloads of CCTV recordings shall be provided to an authorised Council officer or police officer immediately upon their lawful request for the same or, where this is not possible, as soon as reasonably practicable. In the latter case, such recordings shall be preserved until such downloads are provided.
- 45. Council officers shall be given access at all times public are present to carry out inspections pursuant to the licensing provisions.
- 46. Regular checks shall be carried out in the auditorium during screenings and a record maintained of such checks, available for inspection upon the request of an authorised Council officer or police officer.
- 47. A register shall be maintained on the premises of all incidents relating to refusals to allow access or continued access or incidents involving disorder involving members of the public.
- 48. The licensee shall ensure that a fire safety risk assessment is carried out for the premises and that a copy of the same is retained at the premises and made available for inspection by an authorised Council officer or Fire Authority officer immediately on request.
- 49. Good order shall be maintained on the premises at all times and all persons when entering or leaving shall conduct themselves in a manner so as not to cause nuisance, alarm or annoyance to persons in the vicinity.
- 50. An incident log shall be retained and made available for endorsement by the licensee, any responsible person and all members of staff at the premises and for production to an authorised Council officer or police officer on request and such log shall record each and every:
  - (a) alleged crime reported at the venue;
  - (b) ejection of members of the public;
  - (c) complaint received;
  - (d) incident of disorder:
  - (e) seizure of drugs or offensive weapons;

- (f) fault in the CCTV system or any search or scanning equipment;
- (g) visit by police or Council officer or emergency services employee;
- (h) alleged breach of licence condition reported by any person.

## Vessels, vehicles and stalls

- 51. Save for the purposes of storage, licensed vessels, vehicles or stalls shall not be moved without the prior written approval of the Council. An application for a proposed move shall be submitted no later than 28 days prior to that move and such fee as the Council deems reasonable shall be payable.
- 52. Any location intended for storage shall be specified at the time of a licence and no vessel, vehicle or stall shall be stored at any location other than that specified in the licence.
- 53. Licensed vessels, vehicles or stalls shall be used for no other purpose than that specified in the licence.

#### Variation and conditions

- 54. The Council may, at the time of granting or renewal of the licence, waive, modify or vary these conditions or impose additional conditions as appropriate.
- 55. The licensee may apply to the Council to vary any of the terms of the licence.
- 56. The licensee shall advertise any application to vary conditions of licence in the same manner as an application for the grant, renewal or transfer of a licence.

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#### **Standard Conditions**

## **Sex Shops**

#### General

- 1. Unless stated otherwise, the licence hereby granted shall remain in force for one year from the date on the licence, after which it will cease to be in effect unless an application for renewal is submitted in the manner prescribed by the Council.
- 2. The licence may be revoked by the Council if at any time the holder is convicted of an offence of using the licenced premises, or other premises for which a similar licence has been granted, other than in accordance with the terms, conditions or restrictions of the licence or is convicted of any offence under any enactment defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended.
- 3. In the event of a conflict between these conditions and any special conditions contained in a licence relating to a sex establishment the special conditions shall prevail.
- 4. The name of the premises must be approved by the Council in writing. Any change to the name of the premises must be approved by the Council prior to such change.

## **Exhibition of the licence**

5. The licence or a true copy shall be prominently displayed at all times so as to be readily and easily seen by all persons using the premises and all authorised officers. A copy of the conditions attached to the licence shall be kept on the premises and be available for inspection by an authorised officer of the Council or police officer.

## **Hours of Opening**

6. The premises shall not open to the public other than during the hours specified in the licence except with the written consent of the Council.

## **Conduct of the premises**

- 7. The premises shall be used primarily for the purpose of the sale or hire of goods by retail.
- 8. Any personal solicitation or touting from the premises employed for the purpose of solicitation shall be conducted in such a way as to avoid

- likelihood of offence to the public and material used shall contain no images or text of a sexually explicit or obscene or offensive nature.
- 9. No part of the premises shall be used by prostitutes.
- 10. Merchandise displayed for sale, hire, exchange or loan within the premises shall be clearly marked to display the price being charged.
- 11. Printed material offered for sale, hire, exchange or loan shall be available for inspection prior to purchase and a notice to this effect shall be displayed in a conspicuous location within the premises.
- 12. No film or other recorded material shall be exhibited, sold or supplied unless it has been passed by the British Board of Film Classification and bears a certificate to that effect.
- 13. No film or other recorded material shall be exhibited save for the purpose of advertising on a loop system or allowing a customer a short preview being no longer than 3 minutes in length.
- 14. Promotional material exhibited shall comply with current legislation, including section 12 of the Recordings Act 1984 as amended.

## **External appearance**

15. There shall be a notice displayed inside each entrance or doorway to the premises, clearly visible, stating the following words and no others:

# "STRICTLY NO ADMITTANCE TO PERSONS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

A "Challenge 25" policy is operated on these premises

Persons who appear to be under the age of 25 will be required to show proof of age, failing which they will be required to leave."

- 16. The external appearance of the premises must be approved by the Council in writing. Any change to the external appearance must be approved by the Council in advance. The licensee shall advise the Council of any such proposed change in writing and include drawings of the existing and proposed street elevation.
- 17. The frontage of the licensed premises shall be of such design as to ensure that the interior of the premises are not visible and that no part of the interior where relevant entertainment takes place shall not be visible when the doors to the premises are open.
- 18. External signage shall only be illuminated and moveable signs displayed during such times as the premises are open and licensable activities taking place.

## **Advertising**

- 19. The use of all written, visual or auditory advertisement material, including posters, signage and window displays must be approved in advance by the Council and shall contain no obscene or sexually explicit images or text or language or otherwise be such as to be detrimental to the amenity or character of the local vicinity.
- 20. Any distribution of flyers is conducted in such a way as to avoid likelihood of offence to the public and that such distribution is only carried out by and to persons aged 18 years or over.

## Layout of the premises

- 21. Access to ground floor premises shall only be through two or more doors placed consecutively, so arranged as to ensure that when a person enters or leaves the premises the interior is not visible from the exterior and the first entry doors shall be fitted with a device which ensures their automatic closure. Such device shall be maintained so as to be in good working order at all times.
- 22. No access shall be permitted through the premises to any other adjoining or adjacent premises except in the case of an emergency.
- 23. Save for routine maintenance works, no alterations (including temporary alterations) shall be made to the structure or installations on the premises without the prior written consent of the Council.

## Management of the premises

- 24. Where the license is a body corporate, be it incorporated or not, any change of director, company secretary or other person responsible for the management of that body shall be notified to the Council within 14 days of such change. On written request from the Council of details of change of personnel, such details shall be provided within 14 days of such request.
- 25. The licensee or a responsible person nominated by him/her in writing for the purpose of managing the venue shall have personal responsibility for and be present on the premises at all times the premises are open to the public. Such written nomination shall be produced on demand to an authorised Council officer or to a police officer.
- 26. The person nominated by the licensee under the above paragraph: shall be:
  - a) provided with a copy of the conditions relating to the premises and have an understanding of them; and
  - b) able to produce written evidence of such nomination referred to above at all times whilst in charge of the premises.

- 27. Any criminal charge or conviction relating to either the licensee or (in the event that the licensee is a body corporate) any director, company secretary, or any manager or responsible person employed by the licensee shall be notified to the Council within 7 days of any such charge or conviction, with details of its nature, date and sentence imposed.
- 28. The licensee shall retain control of all parts of the premises and shall not let, licence or part with possession of any portion. The Council shall be notified in writing immediately in the event of any part of the premises being affected by termination of a lease or other event affecting the licensee's control of the premises.
- 29. No member of the public shall be admitted to any part of the premises not approved by the Council for such admittance.
- 30. A written record of all employees on the premises shall be maintained, to include full names, dates of birth, current and previous address and any convictions recorded against them (subject to the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1984).
- 31. A copy of the records referred to in the above paragraph shall be produced on demand to an authorised Council officer or a police officer.
- 32. No person under the age of 18 years shall be admitted to the premises.
- 33. A "Challenge 25" age verification policy shall be in operation at all times on the premises, with persons appearing to be under the age of 25 being required to show proof of age prior to admittance.
- 34. No person under the age of 18 years shall be employed on the premises in any capacity.
- 35. An incident log shall be retained and made available for endorsement by the licensee, responsible person and any member of staff at the premises and for production to an authorised Council officer or police officer on request and such log shall record each and every:
  - (a) alleged crime reported at the venue;
  - (b) ejection of members of the public;
  - (c) complaint received;
  - (d) incident of disorder;
  - (e) seizure of drugs or offensive weapons:
  - (f) visit by police or Council officer or emergency services employee;
  - (g) alleged breach of licence condition reported by any person.

## Vessels, vehicles and stalls

36. Save for those which are habitually moved for storage as provided for in the licence, premises consisting of a vessel, vehicle shall not be moved from

the location specified in the licence unless a written application is made to the Council and the Council has issued written consent. Such application shall be submitted at least 28 days prior to the intended move and the Council may require payment of such fee as it deems appropriate in respect of such application.

37. Such premises as described above shall not be used for any purpose other than those set out in the licence.

## Variation of conditions

- 38. The Council may, at the time of the granting or renewal of the licence, waive, modify or otherwise vary these conditions as appropriate.
- 39. The licensee may apply to the Council for variation of any of the terms of the licence.
- 40. Applications to vary conditions of the licence must be advertised by the licensee in the same manner as an application for the grant, renewal or transfer of the licence.



## **Bolsover District Council**

# Healthy, Safe, Clean & Green Communities Scrutiny Committee

## 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## **Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2020/21**

## **Report of the Scrutiny & Elections Officer**

This report is public

## Purpose of the Report

 To provide members of the Scrutiny Committee with an overview of the meeting programme of the Committee for 2020/21.

## 1 Report Details

- 1.1 The main purpose of the report is to inform members of the meeting programme for the year 2019/20 and planned agenda items (Appendix 1).
- 1.2 This programme may be subject to change should additional reports/presentations be required, or if items need to be re-arranged for alternative dates.
- 1.3 Review Scopes will be submitted agreed within Informal Session in advance of the designated meeting for Member approval to ensure that there is sufficient time to gather the information required by Members and to enable forward planning of questions.
- 1.4 Members may raise queries about the programme at the meeting or at any time with the Scrutiny & Elections Officer should they have any queries regarding future meetings.

## **2** Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation

- 2.1 This report sets the formal Committee Work Programme for 2020/21 and the issues identified for review.
- 2.2 The Scrutiny Programme enables challenge to service delivery both internally and externally across all the Corporate Plan Ambitions.
- 2.3 Part 3.6(2) of the Council's Constitution requires each Scrutiny Committee to set an annual work plan.

## 3 Consultation and Equality Impact

- 3.1 All Scrutiny Committees are committed to equality and diversity in undertaking their statutory responsibilities and ensure equalities are considered as part of all Reviews. The selection criteria when submitting a topic, specifically asks members to identify where the topic suggested affects particular population groups or geographies.
- 3.2 The Council has a statutory duty under s.149 Equality Act 2010 to have due regard to the need to advance equality of opportunity and to eliminate discrimination.
- 3.3 As part of the scoping of Reviews, consideration is given to any consultation that could support the evidence gathering process.

## 4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 There is no option to reject the report as Part 3.6(2) of the Council's Constitution requires each Scrutiny Committee to set an annual work plan.

## 5 Implications

## 5.1 Finance and Risk Implications

5.1.1 None from this report.

## 5.2 <u>Legal Implications including Data Protection</u>

5.2.1 In carrying out scrutiny reviews the Council is exercising its scrutiny powers as laid out in s.21 of the Local Government Act 2000 and subsequent legislation which added/amended these powers e.g. the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

## 5.3 Human Resources Implications

5.3.1 None from this report.

## 6 Recommendations

6.1 That Members note this report and the Programme attached at Appendix 1. All Members are advised to contact the Scrutiny & Elections Officer should they have any queries regarding future meetings.

## 7 <u>Decision Information</u>

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## 8 <u>Document Information</u>

Appendix No	Title			
1.	Work Programme 2020/21			
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)  Previous versions of the Committee Work Programme.				
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Report Reference -

## Healthy, Safe, Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee

## Work Programme 2020/21

Performance Review	Policy Development	Policy/Strategy Programme Monitoring	Review Work	Call-In/Review of Executive Decisions	Petition

Date of Meeting		Lead Officer	
9 <sup>th</sup> June 2020	Part A – Formal	CANCELLED	
7 <sup>th</sup> July 2020	Part B – Informal	Corporate Plan Targets Performance Update – January to March 2019 (Q4 – 2019/20)	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
		Review Work and Work Programme 2020/21	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
8 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	Part A – Formal	Corporate Ambitions Performance Update – April to June 2020 (Q1 – 2020/21)	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		Impact of Covid-19 on Waste Collection Services	Joint Head of Streetscene
		Work Programme 2020/21	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	• CANCELLED	

Date of Meeting		Lead Officer	
6 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	Part A – Formal	Impact of Covid-19 on Leisure Services	Joint Head of Transformation & Organisation; Leisure Operations Manager; Physical Activity & Sports Development Manager
		Consultation on Draft BDC Sex Establishment Policy and Procedure 2020 - 2023	Acting Head of Environmental Health; Legal Services
		Work Programme 2020/21	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
75	Part B – Informal	CANCELLED	
3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2020	Part A – Formal	Health and Wellbeing Strategy – Monitoring Update and Impact of Covid-19	HR& OD Manager
		Work Programme 2020/21	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	• TBC	
15 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Part A – Formal	Corporate Ambitions Performance Update – July to September 2020 (Q2 – 2020/21)	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		Work Programme 2020/21	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	• TBC	

Date of Meeting		Lead Officer	
2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021	Part A – Formal	Corporate Ambitions Performance Update – October to December 2020 (Q3 – 2020/21)	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		Work Programme 2020/21	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	Preparation for Annual Review of the Community Safety Partnership	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2021	Part A – Formal	Annual Review of Community Safety Partnership	Joint Strategic Director – Place/ Housing Enforcement Manager/ Community Safety Officer
76		Work Programme 2020/21	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	• TBC	
25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Part A – Formal	Corporate Ambitions Performance Update – January to March 2021 (Q4 – 2020/21)	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		Work Programme 2020/21	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	• TBC	