COMMITTEE:	CENTRAL LICENSING COMMITTEE
DATE:	10 th DECEMBER 2012
TITLE:	REVIEW OF THE STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY
PURPOSE:	FOR INFORMATION AND DECISION
AUTHOR:	HEAD OF REGULATORY SERVICES

BACKGROUND

The Licensing Act 2003 introduced the requirement for Licensing Authorities to produce a Statement of Licensing Policy (the "Policy") following a full consultation with stakeholders.

The Policy must be revised every three years; so as to ensure it continues to be fit for purpose in terms of promoting the licensing objectives.

The Policy was introduced to a meeting of the Full Council on the 16th of December 2010, following a full review and minor changes to its contents. The amended Policy was accepted by the Full Council; with a recommendation that minor errors noted in the Policy be rectified.

Due to an oversight, the minor errors in the Policy were not corrected at the time and it has not been taken back to the members for approval.

Substantial change to the Licensing Act have come in to force recently with the provisions of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 and the Live Music Act 2012. Consequently, the Policy will need to be amended in its entirety in 2013

RECOMMENDATION

That the members of the Committee accept the Policy in its present form until such time it is reviewed comprehensively in 2013.