

# **Report to Licensing Committee**

**Date of meeting: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2013**



**Epping Forest  
District Council**

**Subject: Report of the Licensing Services Task and Finish Panel**

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## **Recommendations:**

**To consider the recommendations of the Licensing Services Task and Finish Report**

## **Report:**

1. The Licensing Services Task and Finish Panel was established by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee in September 2012. Its primary objective was to undertake a review of the proposal that licensing applications were considered in a similar way to planning applications.
2. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered the report yesterday and any changes to the recommendations will be reported to the Licensing Committee tonight.
3. The report makes a recommendation that Cabinet agree a bid for a supplementary estimate in the sum of £58,770.72 annually together with a single payment of £5,000 as detailed in the Resource Requirement. This will be the subject of a report to the next Cabinet meeting which will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2013.
4. The Committee is asked to note the recommended changes. The Committee is not in a position to agree the report but members comments will be included in a report to Cabinet.

## **Resource Implications:**

The Cabinet would need to agree a supplementary estimate in the sum of £58,770.72 annually together with a single payment of £5,000

## **Legal and Governance Implications:**

Licensing Act 2003 as amended, The Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005  
The Licensing Act 2003 (Summary Review of Premises Licences) Regulations 2007  
Gambling Act 2005  
The Gambling Act 2005 (Proceedings of Licensing Committees and Sub-committees)(Premises Licences and Provisional Statement)(England and Wales) Regulations 2007.  
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982  
Local Government and Housing Act 1989  
Town and Police Clauses Act 1847 and 1889  
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976  
Human Rights Act – Article 6 - right to a fair hearing

## **Safer, Cleaner and Greener Implications:**

**Consultation Undertaken:**

- Members of the Public Law Partnership's Licensing Special Interest Group
- Members of the Solicitors in Local Government Group ;
- Local Government Association
- Licensing Manager fro Westminster City Council

**Background Papers:**

Agenda and minutes of the Task and Finish Panel

**Impact Assessments:****Risk Management****Equality and Diversity**

This will affect the ease with which some members of the public can attend but also may adversely affect those who do not wish to travel at night. This will be monitored during the trial period proposed.