

Breakdown of Amendments/Revisions

1. The inclusion of the *Best Bare None* scheme as a recognised scheme for promoting Public Safety in the borough.

Best Bar None

5.21 *Best Bar None (BBN) is a national award scheme supported by the Home Office and aimed at promoting responsible management and operation of alcohol licensed premises. It was piloted in Manchester in 2003 and found to improve standards in the night time economy, with premises now competing to participate. The aim of BBN is to reduce alcohol related crime and disorder in a town centre by building a positive relationship between the licensed trade, police and local authorities. The Council will actively encourage licensed premises to sign up to the BBN scheme.*

2. Replaced “17. Nudity, Striptease and Sex Related Entertainment” with a new heading “17. Sexual Entertainment Venues”.

17. Sexual Entertainment Venues

17.1 *The Council has adopted the amended provisions of schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended by section 27 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009 (‘the 2009 Act’) with respect to “relevant entertainment”, that is:-*

- (a) *any live performance; or*
- (b) *any live display of nudity.*

which is of such a nature that, ignoring financial gain, it must reasonably be assumed to be provided solely or principally for the purpose of sexually stimulating any member of the audience (whether by verbal or other means).

- 17.2 *The adopted provisions came into effect on the 1st of December 2010 in Cheltenham.*
- 17.3 *Any premises that wants to offer relevant entertainment on a regular basis, that is more frequently than 24 hours once a month on no more 11 occasions a year can no longer offer this under the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 as a result of the abovementioned adoption. These premises must apply for a Sexual Entertainment Venue (SEV) licence.*
- 17.4 *Premises that wants to offer relevant entertainment on an irregular basis, can still do so under the*

provisions of the Licensing Act 2003. These premises must be authorised for the performance of dance and the performance of recorded music.

Officer Comment: The statutory provision in respect of the licensing of sexual entertainment in licensed premises has changed since the adoption of the current policy in 2009. The regulation of sexual entertainment has been removed from the provisions of the 2003 Act.