

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO LICENSING COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.

meeting date: TUESDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2012
 title: LICENSING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE
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1 PURPOSE

1.1 To inform Committee about changes to the role of Licensing Enforcement Officer and provide an opportunity for Committee to familiarise themselves with the work of the Licensing Enforcement Officer.

1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities:

- Community Objectives – }
- Corporate Priorities – } Enforcement supports the Council's objective to be a well-managed Council.
- Other Considerations – }

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 The Council's current Licensing Enforcement Officer is absent on maternity leave. In January duties of the post were altered to include planning enforcement. The Council's Building Control trainee currently holds the post of Licensing Enforcement Officer.

2.2 The new duties attached to the post have resulted in a change in emphasis within the licensing enforcement role, however, the current postholder has been able to begin the process of annual inspections and also carried out joint inspections during the evenings with the Council's Environmental Health Officer in areas which were giving rise to a number of complaints.

3 ISSUES

3.1 The postholder will attend Committee and Members will have an opportunity to discuss the role and comment on their experience as Members in order to inform the work of the Licensing Enforcement Officer.

4 RISK ASSESSMENT

4.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications:

- Resources – No implications identified.
- Technical, Environmental and Legal – No implications identified.
- Political – The attendance of the Officer will provide Committee with an opportunity to learn more about the enforcement activities carried out by the Council.

- Reputation – No implications identified.
- Equality & Diversity – No implications identified.

5 **CONCLUSION**

5.1 Members are asked to note the information provided about Licensing Enforcement.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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