Item 5 Revision of Licensing Policy - Appendix

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Subject: Revision of the Statement of Licensing Policy

For the attention of Mr M. Perry, Assistant Chief Executive

Great Chesterford Parish Council has reviewed the draft amended Policy, and has no comments on the text save in relation to Section 5 (Prevention of Public Nuisance).

The Parish Council welcomes interpretation (paragraph 5.2) of "public nuisance" in its widest sense to include noise, light, odour, litter and anti-social behaviour, and the fact that stricter conditions may be needed (paragraph 5.3) where licensed premises are in or nearer residential areas. It is the case that in Great Chesterford as in many other locations licensed premises are in close proximity to houses, and, because of inadequate parking facilities, patrons are obliged to park their vehicles on roads in the immediate vicinity. The Parish Council therefore urges that the draft Policy be amended to note that "public nuisance" considerations include the impact on local residents of on-street parking in roads in the immediate locality of the licensed premises, including the effect of noise late at night from departing patrons, running car engines, slamming car doors etc, and that such factors will also be taken into account by the Licensing Authority when considering applications for grant or renewal.

The Parish Council hopes that these matters will be taken into account when the text of the draft amended Policy is finalised.

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For and on behalf of Great Chesterford Parish Council