

Interim Statement of Licensing Policy 2020

Consultation Response:

One response was received to the consultation.

This was from West Midlands Police Legal Services:

In consideration of recent challenges at Licensing Review hearings in front of your committees, perhaps something could be included in the interim policy to clarify the PSED issue. This could something to ensure that due regard is given to the Public Sector Equality Duty under s.149 of the Equality Act 2010. Such as, a commitment to seeking to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality At 2010; advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not; and, foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

Further, it might be worth completing proportionality assessments in relation to each review to ensure that the premises/PLH is not unlawfully discriminated against and that any action taken against it/them is proportionate.

Comment:

The proposals in the first paragraph have been incorporated into the Draft policy document.

The second point is an operational matter which will be considered further with colleagues in Legal Services