Forward Plan – Licensing Committee, 18 September 2025 - Publication date: 10 September 2025

Forthcoming meetings 2025/26: 18 September / 22 October (additional)/ 11 December / 12 March

	Subject	Purpose of report	Consultation	Report author(s)	Meeting date
1	Review of Statement of Licensing Policy	To consider the responses to the public consultation on the draft Statement of Licensing Policy 2025 – 2030 and recommend a final version for adoption by Full Council on 3 June 2025. In accordance with Section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 a Licensing Authority is required to prepare and publish a statement of its licensing policy every five years.	To include those persons listed in section 5(3) of the 2003 Act. These are: Chief Constable of Dorset Police; Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue; BCP Director of Public Health; Persons/bodies representative of local Premises Licence Holders, local Club Premises Certificate Holders and local Personal Licence Holders; and Persons/bodies representative of businesses and residents in its area. Licensing Committee Working Group	Nananka Randle, Licensing and Trading Standards Manager Sarah Rogers. Principal Licensing Officer	18 September 2025 Final Policy
2	Review of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver, Vehicle and Operator Policies	To consider the responses to the public consultation on the draft Policies	Full public and trade consultation	Nananka Randle Licensing and Trading Standards Manager	22 October 2025 Additional meeting

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3	Pleasure Boats and Boatpersons Licensing Policy	To reconsider the draft policy following informal consultation with stakeholders. It has been over 12 months since the policy was considered. Amend policy as required and recommend to Council for adoption.	Harbour Master Public consultation	Sarah Rogers, Principal Licensing Officer Ellie King, Licensing Officer	11 December 2025
4	Review of Statement of Licensing Principles - Gambling Act 2005	To commence a full review of the existing BCP Statement of Licensing Principles – Gambling Act 2005. The Council is required to publish a Statement of Licensing Principles under section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 every three years. The purpose of the Statement is to define how the Licensing Authority will exercise its responsibilities under the Act.	Full public consultation	Nananka Randle, Licensing and Trading Standards Manager	2025 (date to be determined)
5	Council responsibilities to Taxi Drivers	To advise Committee on the Council's legal responsibilities towards Taxi Drivers and the services that the Council must deliver in this area, in particularly, the monitoring of taxi ranks to ensure that only licensed taxi drivers use them	Not applicable	Nananka Randle Licensing & Trading Standards Manager	Not applicable, circulated to the committee as a briefing note on 6 August 2025

Committee Briefings and Training Sessions 2025

	Training / Briefing to be delivered	When / Where	Attendees	Suggested Delivery
1	Sub-Committee hearings - refresher	HMS Phoebe Committee Room, √13 March 2025	Members and officers	Feedback/Q&A after Committee meeting
2	Sex Establishment applications/renewals training and briefing	HMS Phoebe Committee Room, √13 March 2025	Members and officers	In person after Committee meeting