

Runnymede Borough Council Statement of Licensing Policy – Licensing Act 2003

Details of the main amendments are shown below - changes have been made to reflect updated guidance and new legislation. The Policy has also been edited for clarity and consistency, with duplications and errors deleted/amended - as such, smaller, inconsequential amendments are not detailed below.

Section	Summary of revisions
1.4	Noting the potential effects of proposed Local Government Reorganisation
2	Updated the Borough of Runnymede information
5	Updated section 5 title to include Equalities & added further equalities information at 5.3 and 5.4
6.8	New point to confirm 'on sales only' licence holders applications to add off sales may be treated as a minor variation
6.9	New point to confirm that full variations should not be used to substantially change a premises licence if the licensing objectives might be adversely impacted, a new premises licence application is required in these circumstances
6.10	Updated to confirm conditions contained within the operating schedule will be interpreted in accordance with the applicant's intentions
6.12	New point to introduce the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025
7.3	Deleted due to duplication in 7.1
8.10	New point on safeguarding and associated schemes & initiatives to help identify, manage and prevent vulnerability
8.11	New point supporting the reporting and reduction of sexual harassment, misconduct and violence against woman and girls
8.12	New point in line with guidance expecting measures and staff training to prevent incidents of spiking
9.6	New point to consider what practical steps can be taken to demonstrate best practice in advance of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 coming into force
10.2	Deleted due to duplication in 10.5
11.5	Added that once new legislation comes into force that certified digital identities will be added to the list of accepted age verification methods for alcohol sales
11.15	Amendment and addition to the Portman Group Code of Practice
17.2 & .3	Partnership working and multi-agency approach highlighted
17.8	New point in line with guidance referencing the alignment to the Planning 'agent of change' principle
18.1	Added details regarding Mandatory Licensing Conditions
20.3	New point highlighting Police Summary Review powers
20.4	New point regarding licensed premises continuing or being repeatedly linked with serious crime
22.2	Added clarification that there is no right of appeal for a refusal of a late TEN
23.4	New point to consider the implications for event organisers of "qualifying events" in respect of the forthcoming Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025
24.4	Updated the Delegation of Functions table with the latest Home Office version
26	Updated list of persons and organisations consulted
27	Updated names and addresses of Responsible Authorities
Annex 1	Map of Runnymede updated
Annex 2	Public Health Information updated to include; Surrey County Council Substance Misuse Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (April 2024); Surrey Combating Drugs Partnership data; Cost of alcohol harm in Runnymede (2024) and; The Crime Survey for England and Wales
Annex 3	Mandatory Licensing Conditions deleted as link to Home Office guidance added at 18.1