

ROYAL BOROUGH OF KINGSTON UPON THAMES



LICENSING ACT 2003

STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

SPECIAL POLICY ON CUMULATIVE IMPACT

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***The Special Policy forms part of the Councils
Statement of Licensing Policy, copies of which are
available online at www.kingston.gov.uk/licensing***

1.0 SPECIAL POLICY ON CUMULATIVE IMPACT

- 1.1. At a meeting of the Council on 31 October 2011, it was determined that a Special Policy on Cumulative Impact be adopted.
- 1.2. This decision to implement a Special Policy on Cumulative Impact followed the submission of evidence by the Metropolitan Police and local residents, and a period of public consultation. The Licensing Authority is satisfied that the significant number of licensed premises within the area identified on the map below is having a detrimental impact on the promotion of the licensing objectives relating to the prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance.
- 1.3. The Special Policy on Cumulative Impact took effect on **1 November 2011**. The area of the Borough to which the Special Policy **relates was extended at a meeting of the Council on 17 December 2013**, and is detailed in the map shown at *figure 1*.
- 1.4. The Special Policy on Cumulative Impact and the reasons for its implementation is reviewed annually each May.

EFFECT OF THE SPECIAL POLICY

- 1.5. The adoption of a Special Policy on Cumulative Impact creates a 'rebuttable presumption' that applications for new premises licences or club premises certificates (or for variations to existing licences) made in respect of premises within the defined area will normally be refused unless the applicant can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Licensing Authority that there will be no negative cumulative impact on the licensing objectives.
- 1.6. The Special Policy relates to all Licensable Activities as defined by the Licensing Act 2003 (as amended) including but not exclusively the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises, off the premises or both on and off the premises, and the provision of Late Night refreshment.

Applicants

- 1.7. The Special Policy places greater responsibility on applicants to show that what they are applying for will not add to the cumulative impact on the licensing objectives. It is therefore strongly recommended that applicants show in their application how it would not add to the cumulative impact and include suitable steps in their operating schedule.

Responsible Authorities and Interested Parties

- 1.8. The Special Policy on Cumulative Impact does not relieve Responsible Authorities or Interested Parties of the need to make representations in relation to applications in respect of premises within the cumulative impact area.
- 1.9. The licensing authority must grant any application that does not attract any representations from Interested Parties or Responsible Authorities.

CUMULATIVE IMPACT AREA

1.10. The Special Policy on Cumulative Impact applies to all premises located within, or partly within, the area shown on the map at *figure 1*.

Figure 1:

