



**Licensing and
Regulatory Committee**

**Thursday, 08
September 2022**

**Matter for
Information and
Decision**

Report Title: Special Treatments Policy (September 2022)

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Purpose of Report:	To consider any relevant updates with regard to the Special Treatments Policy 2022 ('the Policy') and to ensure any relevant changes/updates are included.
Report Summary:	The current Policy has to be reviewed and updated where necessary. In 2022, it is essential that this is refreshed and updated to ensure the effective ongoing regulation of Special Treatments Policy. An updated draft version is attached at Appendix 1 which is currently out to consultation and this gives a framework that applicants can use when formulating an application as well as giving an overview of how the Council will determine applications.
Recommendation(s):	A. That the Special Treatments Policy 2022 be adopted and; B. That delegated authority be granted to the Head of Law and Democracy to consider any other amendments as may be necessary in consultation with the Chair of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee.
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Corporate Objectives:	Providing Excellent Services (CO3)
Vision and Values:	Accountability (V1) Customer Focus (V5)
Report Implications:-	
Legal:	Whilst there is no statutory requirement for a local authority to adopt a Special Treatments Policy, it gives clarity to the public, partner agencies and applicants. It also provides a framework for Officers and Members to enable consistent decision making and transparency, and reduce the opportunity for challenge through the courts by judicial review.
Financial:	There are no implications directly arising from this report.
Corporate Risk Management:	Regulatory Governance (CR6) Reputation Damage (CR4)

Equalities and Equalities Assessment (EA):	There are no implications arising from this report.
Human Rights:	There are no implications arising from this report.
Health and Safety:	There are no implications arising from this report.
Statutory Officers' Comments:-	
Head of Paid Service:	The report is satisfactory.
Chief Finance Officer:	The report is satisfactory.
Monitoring Officer:	The report is satisfactory.
Consultees:	None.
Background Papers:	None.
Appendices:	1. Draft Policy for Special Treatment

1. Background

- 1.1 Special Treatments include acupuncture, cosmetic skin piercing, tattooing, skin colouring and electrolysis. They are governed under the Local Government Miscellaneous Act 1982 ('the Act') and the Act gives powers to a local authority to regulate some of the most invasive treatments and the places where they take place. Hairdressers and barbers are registered under the Leicestershire Act 1985.
- 1.2 The Act is the primary piece of legislation with the Council having separate local byelaws setting out detailed requirements.

2. Policy Review

- 2.1 The current Policy has been reviewed and updated and a draft is provided at Appendix 1.
- 2.2 There has been very little in the way of major reviews of the legislation since the start of the current policy and consequently the draft policy is fundamentally unchanged. The main changes are therefore providing a timeline to expected changes through 2022 and 2023.