Report for:

Regulatory Committee 17th January 2017

Item number:

Title:

Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963 - New Standard

Conditions for Cat and Dog Boarding Establishments.

Report

authorised by:

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Lead Officer:

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Ward(s) affected: All

Report for Key/ Non Key Decision:

1. Describe the issue under consideration

The Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963 requires anyone who wishes to keep a boarding establishment (i.e. kennels or a cattery) to be licensed by the local authority and to comply with the terms, conditions and restrictions of that licence. If they do not they breach the law.

This report considers the recommendation of new model condition and guidance

2. Cabinet Member Introduction N/A

3. Recommendations

That the Regulatory Committee

Approves the adoption of the 'Model Licence Conditions and Guidance for Cat Boarding Establishments 2013' and the Model Licence Conditions and The Guidance for Dog Breeding Establishments 2016 published by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) and set out in Appendix 1 and 2 to this report, with effect from 4th October 2016.

4. Reasons for decision

The authority currently has standard conditions which are applied to animal boarding establishment licences. These are currently only for catteries and are out of date in that they do not address the requirements within the 2006 Welfare Act. The CIEH has revised and updated the model conditions so that they better reflect the legal and animal welfare considerations inspectors