ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION IN PUBLIC PLACES – AMENDMENT DESIGNATION OF PUBLIC PLACES IN HEREFORD

Report By: Head of Environmental Health and Trading Standards

Wards Affected

1. Hereford

Purpose

2. To amended 'The Herefordshire (Alcohol Consumption in Designated Places) Order (No.3) 2007 in respect of Hereford City.

Background

- 3. A recent review has been carried out in respect of the 'The Herefordshire (Alcohol Consumption in Designated Places) Order (No.3) 2007 in respect of Hereford City. It has been noted when the original order was made that Broad Street was omitted.
- 4. The Order came into force on 14th September 2007.
- 5. The Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 and the Local Authorities (Alcohol Consumption in Designated Places) Regulations 2001 gives powers to local authorities to place restrictions on public drinking within so-called designated places where it is associated with nuisance or annoyance to members of the public, or with disorder.
- 6. An Order gives the Police (including Community Support Officers) the power to require a person not to drink alcohol in a designated place where the officer believes that the person is, has or intends to do so, and to surrender any alcohol or alcohol containers in the person's possession. Failure to comply with an officer's requirements in respect of drinking or surrendering alcohol is an arrestable offence.
- 7. The designation of a place under an Order therefore provides potentially effective tools to those wishing to tackle nuisance, annoyance or disorder.

Consultation

8. An extensive consultation process took place prior to the commencement of the original order. In view of the fact that this was as a result of the omission in the original order no further consultation is felt necessary.

Recommendation

That: The Committee amends the original order to include Broad Street, Hereford.