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APPENDIX 2

Section	Summary of Changes	Reason for Change
Page 1	New Date of policy.	Revised Policy date
Section 4	Addition of line: Additional specific enforcement policies and procedures may be available for specific service areas.	Recognises other departments may also have policies on different enforcement options that need to be considered in addition to the overarching enforcement policy.
Section 5.4	Addition that assessment of risk may also consider: any intelligence received.	Recognition that intelligence from other agencies and other sources may influence enforcement action undertaken.
Section 6.3	Addition of animal welfare to factors non-compliance will not compromise.	Animal welfare was not specifically covered in previous enforcement policies, but is a strand that requires specific consideration.
Section 6.4	Addition of animal welfare to the consequences of non-compliance. Addition of the following as factors for the consideration of formal action.	Animal welfare was not specifically covered in previous enforcement policies, but is a strand that requires specific consideration.
	 A wilful disregard for the law is evident A significant financial benefit or commercial advantage has arisen as a result of the unlawful activity, 	Addition of factors that are seen as 'aggravating' and need to be taken into account in any enforcement decision.
	The victim(s) is vulnerable	
	 The victim(s) have been targeted specifically because they are vulnerable. 	
	Effective action needs to be taken quickly in order	

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	to remedy conditions which are deteriorating	
	Addition of Civil Penalty	
	 A charge applied by a Fixed Penalty or Civil Penalty Notice has not been paid and there is provision in the legislation to prosecute for the original offence 	To take into account newer options for Civil and financial penalties available in specific legislation
Section 6.4.2	Addition: or welfare after imminent risk to health and safety	Welfare a factor that needs to be considered
Section 6.4.3	Addition: Delay in action being taken presents an ongoing significant risk to the health, safety and or welfare of persons, the environment or animals.	Animal welfare was not specifically covered in previous enforcement policies, but is a strand that requires specific consideration.
Section 6.4.4	Addition: emission of smoke within a smoke control area, not providing documentation or certification as required etc.	Reflects new legislative requirements
Section 6.4.5	Remove the Central Register of Cautions as there is no requirement to keep this.	There is no longer a central register of cautions maintained by local authorities.
Section 6.4.10	Addition: gambling, skin piercing activities, permitted pollution control activities, pet shops, keeping of dangerous wild animals.	Addition of all areas regulated
	Addition: Where grant /refusal of a licence is through a committee or hearing, the applicants will be advised of the relevant process for this.	Clarifies where a separate process exists in the enforcement options that this will be followed.

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Section 6.4.12	Addition: animals	Animals not specifically mentioned previously but covered by our enforcement activities.
Section 6.4.14	Addition: or dealing with unsafe premises.	Clarifies action can be taken in relation to unsafe practices or premises.
Section 6.4.15	Update Attorney General with Director of Public Prosecution	Designation of Office changed.
Section 10	Addition: Food Standards Agency, DEFRA, HMRC Deletion: Utility Providers	Specific inclusion of main bodies that we overlap or share enforcement responsibilities with
Section 12.0	Addition: online Deletion: fax	To reflect that contact can be made online and that faxes no longer used.
Section 13	Addition: complaints@broxtowe.gov.uk	Updated relevant team
Section 14	Replacement of Committee with Cabinet	Updated to reflect correct title.