



REPORT TO:	Licensing Committee
DATE:	9 th March 2016
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SUBJECT:	Proposed Scrap Metal Dealers Policy

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.2 To present, to Members the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 – Statement of Licensing Policy for consideration.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2.1 For Members to consider approving the Scrap Metal Dealers Policy to enable Officers to consult, with relevant parties, prior to presenting at Full Council for adoption.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 The Council have previously approved the application process along with delegation of powers and fees for those requiring a licence under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.

3.2 It is now necessary to have a policy to guide consistent decisions throughout the County and to assist Officers to enforce the provisions of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.

3.3 The policy will also give guidance to new applicants, existing licence holders, and members of the public as to how the Council will administer and enforce the requirements of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.

3.4 The All Wales Licensing Technical Panel have been working on a Policy that can be implemented across Wales, which will provide Licence Holders (who can be licensed by a number of Local Authorities at any one time) with a consistent approach to procedure, compliance and enforcement. A copy of the All Wales Policy can be found at Appendix A.

4. **RECOMMENDATION**

- 4.1 To endorse the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 – Statement of Licensing Policy (attached as Appendix A).
- 4.2 To approve a suitable period of consultation be undertaken to those licensed by Denbighshire under the remit of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013, North Wales Police, British Transport Police, National Resource Wales and Industry Associations.
- 4.3 To authorise Officers that where any relevant responses received as a result of the consultation are considered and where relevant the policy is amended accordingly before presenting to Full Council.