
REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 7
DATE OF MEETING:	27th SEPTEMBER 2018	CATEGORY: DELEGATED/ RECOMMENDED
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SUBJECT:	GAMBLING ACT 2005 – STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1. Recommendations

1.1 That Members approve the Council's Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy ("the Policy") and Local Area Profile Plan.

2. Purpose of Report

2.1 To provide Members with the outcome of a consultation with interested parties.

2.2 To provide Members with the necessary information to be able to give full consideration to the recommendation contained in paragraph 1.1 of this report.

3. Detail

3.1 Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 ("the Act") requires the Licensing Authority to prepare and publish a statement of the principles every 3 years. The Licensing Authority's current Policy was published in January 2016.

3.2 As part of the Social Responsibility Code, from April 2016, operators were required to assess the local risks to the licensing objectives posed by the provision of gambling facilities at each premises. To assist in the production of the local risk assessments, the Licensing Authority produced a local area profile plan in April 2016 to assist operators in producing their local risk assessments.

Consultation

3.3 The Act requires the Licensing Authority to consult with interested parties on any revision of the Policy and local area profile plan. The consultation took place between 21st May 2018 and 10th August 2018. Copies of the Policy and local area profile plan were sent to all Responsible Authorities, existing licensees and other major stakeholders. The Policy was also placed on the Council's website. A full list of the people consulted can be found at Appendix B of the draft Policy.

- 3.4 Three responses were received in relation to the Policy from Councilor Harrison, Gamble Aware and GamCare. The responses received from Gamble Aware and GamCare were generic responses with no specific comments in relation to the draft Policy or local area profile plan. No other responses were received. The draft Policy and Plan are attached as **Appendix 1 and 2**.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications to the Council.
- 4.2 Recommendation 1.1 will have no financial implications on existing licence holders.

5. Corporate Implications

- 5.1 These proposals will provide a clear framework for anyone wishing to start their own business which will contribute directly to the corporate vision to make South Derbyshire a better place to live, work, and visit, and to the theme of sustainable growth and opportunity.
- 5.2 These proposals will continue to demonstrate to members of the public that the Council takes the protection of local residents, children, and vulnerable adults from the potential harms of gambling activities seriously, which contributes to the theme of safety and security.