

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

COUNCIL: 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2019

REFERENCE FROM CABINET: 18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2019

**C578            GAMBLING ACT 2005 STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES 2019-2022  
(REF) –**

The Statutory Licensing Committee had been presented with the responses received from the consultation undertaken in respect of the Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles.

The draft Statement of Principles was reported to that Committee on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2018 and Members were advised that the Statement was subject to a statutory consultation between 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 and 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2018. Consultation had therefore been undertaken as outlined in the report and included statutory consultees.

The Licensing Authority had a duty to develop a Statement of Principles that promoted the three Licensing Objectives:

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime;
- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way;
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited.

The Statement of Principles would also set out how the Licensing Authority would exercise its functions and provide information to the public and the gambling sector alike.

Details of the responses received during the consultation period were attached at Appendix A to the report it was confirmed that there were no responses from the public consultation; however, generic responses were received from two organisations. Having assessed the responses, the majority of issues were addressed within the proposed Statement of Principles but one organisation identified the potential for promotional material (such as window advertising, leaflets, etc.) to have an impact on encouraging young people to enter premises when they were not legally entitled to do so. It had therefore been recommended that operators take this factor into account when carrying out local risk assessments for the premises.

Therefore, the proposed amendment was included at Part B Section 1 of the draft Statement which related to risk assessments as follows:

- The impact of any promotional material associated with the premises and whether this could encourage the use of the premises by children or young people if they are not legally allowed to do so.

The Statutory Licensing Committee had therefore

RESOLVED -

(1) T H A T the amendment to the draft Statement of Principles as set out in paragraph 9 of the Officer's report be approved.

(2) T H A T the amended Statement of Principles be referred to Cabinet on 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 for comment and then to Full Council for approval on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

Reason for decisions

(1&2) To comply with the requirements to publish a Statement of Principles relating to the Authority's Gambling Policy.

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Cabinet, having considered the reference and recommendations of the Statutory Licensing Committee,

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