

REPORT TO:	Licensing Committee
DATE:	7 th December 2022
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SUBJECT:	Review – Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.2 To advise Members of the necessary review of the Council's Statement of Principles for the Gambling Act 2005.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 In accordance with the Gambling Act 2005 the Council is required to review the Statement of Principles every three years.
- 2.2 A review has been undertaken of the current Statement of Principles and no significant changes are proposed, other than some minor changes and additions which have been summarised at Appendix A and highlighted in red on the draft Statement of Principles attached at Appendix B.

3. POWER TO MAKE THE DECISION

- 3.1 Section 349 Gambling Act 2005

4. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 4.1 In determining the Statement of Principles, the Council is required to have regard to the licensing objectives of the Gambling Act 2005 and the Gambling Commission's 'Guidance to Licensing Authorities'.
- 4.2 The statutory licensing objectives are:
- Protecting children and other vulnerable people from being harmed or exploited by gambling
 - Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime, and
 - Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way
- 4.3 The Statement of Principles has been developed and reviewed by the six

Licensing Authorities in North Wales, bringing consistency to matters relating to Gambling issues and functions.

5. CONSULTATION

5.1 To be undertaken as part of the process for implementation.

5.2 The following Responsible Authorities will be consulted:

- The Gambling Commission
- North Wales Police
- North Wales Fire and Rescue Service
- The Planning Authorities
- Environmental Health, Health and Safety and Trading Standards
- Children Services
- Her Majesties Revenue and Customs

5.3 In addition to the above, all licence holders and permit holders will be contacted to inform them of the consultation process and to seek their views.

6. RECOMMENDATION

6.1 That Members consider and agree the content of the draft Council's Statement of Principles (Gambling Act 2005) and authorise officers to undertake statutory consultation.