

**LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
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**UPDATE ON REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF GAMBLING PRINCIPLES
(Chief Officer: Environment and Public Protection)**

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Under the Gambling Act 2005, the Council is required to review and consult upon its Statement of Gambling Principles ('the Statement') every three years from the date of adoption. The previous Statement was published on 31 January 2007 and therefore had to undergo a review and be re-published on or before 30 January 2010.

2 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 Consultation took place from 24 April to 7 September 2009 with a range of organisations including current licence holders, trade associations and community groups. The consultation was also publicised on the Council's website. Approximately 300 individuals and organisations were consulted by post or email, and just 8 responses were received, 7 of which were 'no comment'.
- 2.2 The revised Statement was adopted by the Council on 25 November 2009 and was published on 22 December 2009. The document can be found in the Licensing area on the Council's website.
- 2.3 The Statement of Principles ('the Statement') will last for a maximum of three years and can be reviewed and revised by the authority at any time.

3 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 3.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

4 STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

- 4.1 There are no strategic risk management implications arising from this report.

Background Papers

Gambling Act 2005

Statement of Gambling Principles (January 2007)

Gambling Commission Guidance to Licensing Authorities (May 2009)

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