

Meeting: Overview, Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee

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Title: Draft Statement of Licensing Policy (Gambling) 2019-2022

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Service: Environment, Housing and Leisure

Wards affected: All

1. Purpose of Report

This report provides details of the consultation responses received in respect of the draft Statement of Licensing Policy (Gambling) 2019 - 2022. The Statement of Policy (Gambling) forms part of the Council's Budget and Policy Framework.

The Committee are invited to provide any comments or recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Engagement, to be taken into account in formulating the final Policy.

2. Recommendations

The Committee is invited to:

- a) Note the review of the Statement of Policy (Gambling) detailed in this report;
- b) Consider the responses received as a result of the consultation as attached at **Appendix 1** and
- c) Provide any final comments or recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Engagement to consider as appropriate.

3. Details

On 18 June 2018 this Committee received a report in relation to the draft Statement of Licensing Policy (Gambling) that must be published by the Council as a Licensing Authority under Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 and be in force by the 31 January 2019. The revised Policy will replace the existing Policy that came into force on the 31 January 2016.

The draft Policy statement was subject to a 6 week period of consultation which commenced on 1 June 2018 and ended on 13 July 2018. Members of the public, members of the trade all North Tyneside MPs, MEPs and Councillors had an opportunity to comment on the draft Policy statement. 22 responses were received, the majority of which were from local residents. A summary of the responses received are attached at

Appendix 1 to this report. The draft Policy with amendments following the consultation exercise is attached at **Appendix 2**.

As the Statement of Policy (Gambling) forms part of the Council's Policy Framework the process set out in the Council's Constitution for the preparation, consideration and approval of such plans must be followed. With that in mind, the initial proposals were presented to Cabinet on 14 May 2015 and this Committee on 18 June 2018. The final proposals will be presented to Cabinet on 15 October 2018 together with any comments from this Committee and details of any consultation responses and then Council on the 22 November 2018.

Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Consultation responses

Appendix 2 - Draft Statement of Licensing Policy (Gambling)

4. Background Information

The following documents have been used in the compilation of this report:

Gambling Act 2005

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2005/19/contents>

Gambling Commission's Guidance issued under section 25 of the Gambling Act 2005

<http://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/for-licensing-authorities/GLA/Guidance-to-licensing-authorities.aspx>

The Gambling Act 2005 (Licensing Authority Policy Statement)(England and Wales) Regulations 2006

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2006/636/contents/made>

The Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities)(England) Regulations 2000 (as amended)

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2000/2853/contents/made>

Cabinet report 14 May 2018

<https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/meeting/20416>

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<https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/meeting/20785>