



Meeting: Full Council

Date: 20 February 2019

Subject: Review of Eastbourne Borough Council's Gambling Statement of Principles

Report of: Councillor Troy Tester on behalf of the Licensing Committee

The Council is asked to consider the minute and resolution of the Licensing Committee meeting held on **7 January 2019** as set out below.

The Council is recommended to:-

Approve the reviewed and revised Statement of Gambling Principles.

Minute extract

Licensing Committee – 7 January 2019.

The committee received the report which requested that Councillors consider and approve the recently reviewed and revised Statement of Gambling Principles. Councillors noted Appendix B, which set out responses to consultation, and had been published after the agenda report.

The Senior Specialist Advisor (Licensing) referred to Appendix A which detailed the proposed changes to the Council's Statement of Gambling Principles, these were highlighted in red. In addition, officers explained that the Licensing Officers had recently attended a meeting with the Gambling Commission at which time it was recommended that all current premises license holders be required to undertake risk assessments and have the assessments available for inspection at the premises. Further Officers also accepted that the Statement had missed out the word "not" which the Officers were content to include in the highlighted part of page 24.

The committee queried whether compulsory CCTV on all gambling premises in Eastbourne could be implemented into the policy as a deterrent for crime. Officers stated they would consider the remit of the Statement and consider whether it was possible to implement this in the future.

Councillors were informed that the April 2019 changes to the maximum bet on fixed-odds betting terminals would not affect the category of machines other than the minimum stake.

The committee queried whether all door supervisors could be SIA licensed and if this could be included in the policy. Officers advised Councillors that they would look into this.

Councillors noted that, following the May election, training would be available which would provide information specific to the Eastbourne Borough.

Resolved: (Unanimous)

1. That the reviewed and revised Statement of Gambling Principles be agreed and recommended to Full Council; and
2. That officers noted Councillors queries regarding compulsory CCTV on gambling premises and would look at the remit of Gambling Act and consider ways that it could be implemented in the future.

Reason:

1. To ensure a comprehensive and workable Statement of Principles is in place and that Eastbourne Borough Council complies with the requirements of the Gambling Act 2005; and
2. To enable the General Licensing Committee to consider the proposed changes.

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