

Decision Maker: COUNCIL

Date: 12 November 2012

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: REVISED STATEMENT OF GAMBLING LICENSING POLICY FOR 2013 - 2016

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Ward: (All Wards);

1. Reason for report

The Council is required to review and revise its Gambling Licensing Policy as necessary but at least every 3 years and the next three year period commences from January 2013 – January 2016.

Officers have revised the Policy which has not been altered substantially but has been updated in respect of Consultees, Maximum Stakes for Gaming Machines and contact numbers. In accordance with the requirements public consultations were undertaken between 13th August and 10th September 2012. Details of the 4 responses received together with the revised policy were considered by the General Purposes and Licensing Committee on 26th September 2012 who agreed, subject to a minor textural amendment, that it be referred to full Council for formal adoption. The revised amended Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy 2013-2016 is attached.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Revised Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy for 2013 – 2016 be adopted with effect from 1st January 2013.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy: The Council adopted a Statement of Gambling Policy for 2010 – 2013 and it is a requirement that the Council’s reviews this Policy at least every 3 years.
 2. BBB Priority: Children and Young People Excellent Council Quality Environment Safer Bromley Vibrant, Thriving Town Centres:
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: No Cost:
 2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable:
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Public Protection
 4. Total current budget for this head: £4.033m
 5. Source of funding: existing Revenue Budgets 2012/13
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 74
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: N/A
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory Requirement: The Council is the Licensing Authority under the Gambling Act 2005 and must prepare and consult on its statement policy as required by Section 349.
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable:
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Approximately 150 licensed premises and all residents and businesses living and trading in the vicinity of licences premises.
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Yes
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: N/A

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy/Financial/Personnel/Legal
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Report and Minutes of the General Purposes & Licensing Committee meeting on 26 th September 2012