

ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO AND DECISION OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE ON 10 DECEMBER 2021

SUBJECT: Statement of Gambling Licensing Principles 2022-2025

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DATE: 15 November 2021
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AREA: Place - Licensing

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

A Licensing Authority shall before each successive period of three years, prepare and publish a statement of principles they propose to apply in exercising their functions under the Gambling Act 2005.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That committee recommend Full Council adopt the proposed Statement of Gambling Principles 2022-2025 without change.

1. BACKGROUND: Gambling Act 2005 and the Gambling Commission Guidance to Licensing Authorities, April 2021.

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority is required to consider and republish its Gambling Policy every three years. The policy should be re-published by 1 January 2022.
- 1.2 Officers have considered the current policy and have not identified any areas requiring revision. In addition, no matters have been brought by any person requesting consideration.
- 1.3 Guidance from the Gambling Commission published on the 1st April 2021 (see background papers), stated with regards to reviewing and updating the policy statement, that it is only the revision of a policy that requires consultation.
- 1.4 It is proposed that the Statement of Gambling Principles 2019-2022 does not require revising and therefore consultation on the proposed 2022-2025 statement is not required.

2. PROPOSAL(S):

That committee recommend Full Council adopt the proposed Statement of Gambling Principles 2022-2025 without change.

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| 3. OPTIONS: | | |
| 3.1 That committee recommend Full Council adopt the proposed Statement of Gambling Principles 2022-2025 without change. | | |
| 3.2 Make changes and consult on the amended statement. Consultation would be required for a 12-week period. Consultees would include Sussex Police, Gambling businesses and persons who would likely be affected by the exercise of the authority's functions under the Gambling Act 2005. | | |
| 4. CONSULTATION: | | |
| Has consultation been undertaken with: | | NO |
| Relevant Town/Parish Council | | NO |
| Relevant District Ward Councillors | | NO |
| Other groups/persons (please specify) | | NO |
| 5. ARE THERE ANY IMPLICATIONS IN RELATION TO THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL POLICIES: (Explain in more detail at 6 below) | YES | NO |
| Financial | | NO |
| Legal | | NO |
| Human Rights/Equality Impact Assessment | | NO |
| Community Safety including Section 17 of Crime & Disorder Act | | NO |
| Sustainability | | NO |
| Asset Management/Property/Land | | NO |
| Technology | | NO |
| Other (please explain) | | NO |
| 6. IMPLICATIONS: | | |

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| 7. REASON FOR THE DECISION: |
| To ensure the licensing authority an continue to discharge the function in accordance with policy. |
| 8. BACKGROUND PAPERS: |
| Gambling Act 2005 https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2005/19/contents |
| Gambling Commission Guidance to Licensing Authorities, April 2021 https://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/manual/guidance-to-licensing-authorities/part-6-reviewing-and-updating-the-policy-statement |
| Statement of Gambling Licensing Principles |