

# **HIGH PEAK BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **Licensing Committee**

**31 March 2022**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Review of Gambling Policy</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR:</b>	<b>Councillor Fiona Sloman - Executive Councillor for Housing and Licensing</b>
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<b>WARDS INVOLVED:</b>	<b>All Wards</b>

### Appendix A – Revised Statement of Principles 2022-2025

#### **1. Reason for the Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to ensure that the Council complies with its legal obligations as provided by the Gambling Act 2005 which requires that the Council must consult and publish a revised Statement of Principles every 3 years.

#### **2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 That the Committee considers the legislation changes as detailed in 3.5 of this report and revises the Statement of Principles 2022 - 2025 as attached at Appendix A.
- 2.2 That the Committee recommends the revised Statement of Principles 2022 – 2025 to Full Council for approval.

#### **3. Executive Summary**

- 3.1 Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 requires that the Council, as a licensing Authority, prepares and publishes a Statement of Principles under the Gambling Act 2005 every three years. The Council's Statement of Principles is due for renewal in 2022. The Statement will last for a 3 year period but may be reviewed at any time prior to this by the authority.
- 3.2 It is a further requirement of the Act that a revised policy must be approved at a full meeting of the Council. Such approval cannot be granted until consultation has been undertaken with a range of statutory bodies defined by the Act.

- 3.3 The Consultation was undertaken between 5th October 2021 – 04 November 2021, and included all the relevant Stakeholders listed in page 4 of the Policy.
- 3.4 The Council did not receive any responses during the consultation period. The only changes are amendments due to updates in guidance/legislation.
- 3.5 A small number of amendments have been made to the previous Policy and incorporated in the new Statement of Principles policy 2022 – 2025. The main amendments are summarised below:

Page No	AMENDMENT TO POLICY WORDING
2	Any reference made to “Guidance issued to Licensing Authorities by the Gambling Commission” is the version which was published on 01 April 2021 and last updated on 13 May 2021.
3 (2)	(Census data from 2021 is currently being processed and will be published at <a href="http://www.ons.gov.uk">www.ons.gov.uk</a> ).
4	The consultation took place between 05 October 2021 and 04 November 2021.
5	: <a href="mailto:licensing@highpeak.gov.uk">licensing@highpeak.gov.uk</a>
10 Part B (1)	The Gambling Commission’s Licence Conditions and Code of Practice (LCCP) which were revised and published on 31 October 2020, requires operators to consider local risks from the provision of gambling at their premises.
29 (4)	A summary of gaming machine categories and entitlements can be found at Appendix B of the Guidance issued to Licensing Authorities by the Gambling Commission. <a href="https://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/guidance/guidance-to-licensingauthorities">https://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/guidance/guidance-to-licensingauthorities</a> .
35	<a href="https://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/licensees-and-business/guide/local-area-risk-assessments">https://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/licensees-and-business/guide/local-area-risk-assessments</a> .

#### 4. How this report links to Corporate Priorities

- 4.1 The contents of this report relate to the following corporate priorities:
- Creating a cleaner, safer and sustainable Borough.
  - Creating a healthy and active community.

#### 5. Alternative Options

- 5.1 That the Committee approves the revised Statement of Principles 2022 - 2025 with the updated legislation changes (Recommended)
- 5.2 That the Committee approves the revised Statement of Principles 2022 - 2025 without the updated legislation changes (Not Recommended)

#### 6. Implications

6.1 Community Safety - (Crime and Disorder Act 1998)

No Community Safety issues relating to this report

6.2 Workforce

No Workforce Issues related to this report

6.3 Equality and Diversity/Equality Impact Assessment

No Issues

6.4 Financial Considerations

No Financial Considerations

6.5 Legal

The Authority has a duty to review this policy every 3 years, failure to review and update the policy may result in action being taken against the Council.

6.6 Climate Change

No issues associated with this report

6.7 Consultation

A consultation was carried out in accordance with the current legislation.

6.8 Risk Assessment

No Issues associated with this report

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**Web Links and  
Background Papers**

Appendix (A) Revised Policy

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