

**STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROFORMA**

Cabinet Meeting .....20th January 2022

1. Title of Item/Report

Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles - Review 2021

2. Record of the Decision

Council approval was sought following a review of the Council's Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles. Under the Act, the Authority was required to publish a Statement of Principles that it proposed to apply when exercising its functions under the Act, in the form of a Gambling Policy. This Policy statement must be published every three years.

Cabinet noted that there had been few changes to the draft Gambling Policy as there had been no legislative changes in the last three years.

The draft Gambling Policy was published for a four-week public consultation. The consultation included stakeholders such as the Gambling Commission, trade associations, licensees, children's services, local residents' groups, responsible authorities including police and public health, and all members. The consultation was also published on the website and a notice was placed on the notice board of all public libraries. No further comments on the draft policy document were received.

RECOMMENDED that:-

1. Cabinet note the gambling statement of principles which had been reviewed in accordance with the Gambling Act 2005 and those comments received during consultation.

2. Cabinet recommend that Council agree the revised statement of principles to come into effect on the 31 January 2022.

3. Reasons for the Decision

The Council's current Gambling Act statement was in effect from 31 January 2019 and was now due for review.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected  
None
5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest  
None
6. Details of any Dispensations  
N/A
7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed  
Not Applicable

Proper Officer  
24 January 2022