

## Statutory Licensing Committee

Agenda

Date: Tuesday 24 September 2024 at 9.30 am

Venue: Democratic Services Meeting Room, First Floor, Municiapl Buildings, Church

Road, Stockton on Tees, TS18 1LD

### Cllr Eileen Johnson (Chair) **CIIr Mick Moore (Vice-Chair)**

**Cllr Marc Besford** Cllr Diane Clarke OBE Cllr Robert Cook Cllr John Coulson **Cllr Clare Besford** Cllr Elsi Hampton Cllr Mrs Ann McCoy **Cllr Andrew Sherris** Cllr Hugo Stratton Cllr Marilyn Surtees **Cllr Hilary Vickers** 

#### **AGENDA**

1 **Evacuation Procedure** 

To follow.

- 2 **Apologies for Absence**
- 3 **Declarations of Interest**
- 4 **Minutes**

To approve and sign the minutes of the last meeting held (Pages 7 - 8) on 23 November 2021.

**REVIEW OF THE STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES FOR** 5 (Pages 9 - 10) **GAMBLING PREMISES IN STOCKTON-ON-TEES** 



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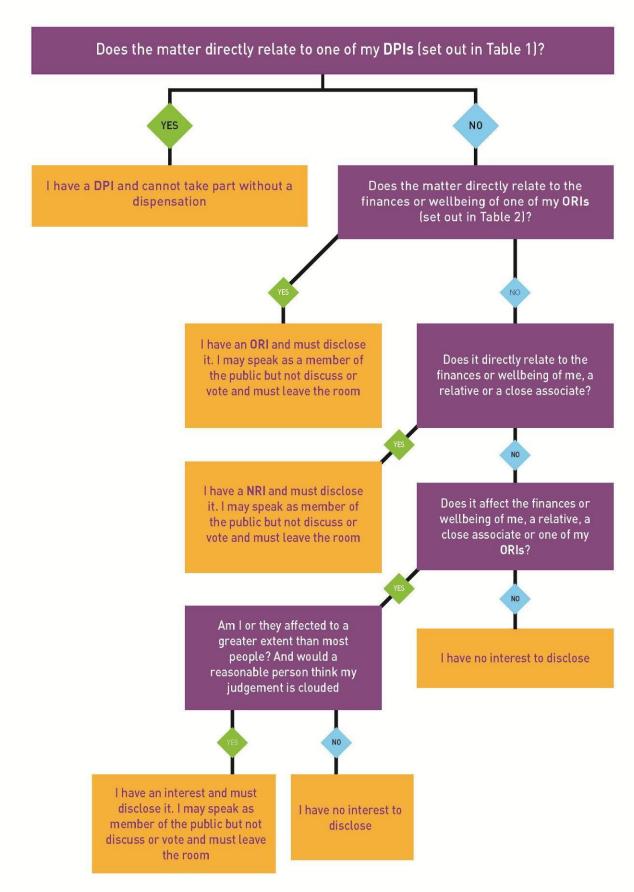
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#### **KEY - Declarable interests are:-**

- Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI's)
- Other Registerable Interests (ORI's)
- Non Registerable Interests (NRI's)

#### **Members – Declaration of Interest Guidance**





### **Table 1 - Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

Subject	Description
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the council) made to the councillor during the previous 12-month period for expenses incurred by him/her in carrying out his/her duties as a councillor, or towards his/her election expenses.  This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
	Any contract made between the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners (or a firm in which such person is a partner, or an incorporated body of which such person is a director* or
Contracts	a body that such person has a beneficial interest in the securities of*) and the council—  (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and  (b) which has not been fully discharged.
Land and property	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the council.  'Land' excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not give the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners (alone or jointly with another) a right to occupy or to receive income.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the council for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to the councillor's knowledge)—  (a) the landlord is the council; and (b) the tenant is a body that the councillor, or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners is a partner of or a director* of or has a beneficial interest in the securities* of.
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities* of a body where—  (a) that body (to the councillor's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the council; and (b) either—  (i) the total nominal value of the securities* exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or (ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the councillor, or his/ her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners have a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

<sup>\* &#</sup>x27;director' includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society.

<sup>\* &#</sup>x27;securities' means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.



### **Table 2 – Other Registerable Interest**

You must register as an Other Registrable Interest:

- a) any unpaid directorships
- b) any body of which you are a member or are in a position of general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority
- c) any body
- (i) exercising functions of a public nature
- (ii) directed to charitable purposes or
- (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management

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# Agenda Item 4

### **Statutory Licensing Committee**

A meeting of Statutory Licensing Committee was held on Tuesday, 23rd November, 2021.

**Present:** Cllr Paul Kirton(Chairman), Cllr Eileen Johnson(Vice-Chair), Cllr Mick Moore, Cllr Maurice Perry, Cllr Marilyn Surtees, Cllr Julia Whitehill, Cllr Bill Woodhead MBE

Officers: Elliot Beevers, Leanne Maloney-Kelly, Sarah Whaley (MD); Natalie Hodgson, Jonathan Nertney (HR, L&C).

#### Also in attendance:

Apologies: Cllr Tina Large, Cllr Jacky Bright,

#### **SLC** Evacuation Procedure

1/21

The Evacuation Procedure was noted.

#### **SLC** Declarations of Interest

2/21

There were no declarations of interest.

### SLC Minutes from the meeting which was held 12th March 2019

3/21

Consideration was given to the minutes from the meeting which was held on 12th March 2019 for approval and signature.

RESOLVED that the minutes be approved and signed as a correct record by the Chair.

# SLC GAMBLING ACT 2005 REVIEW OF THE STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES 4/21 FOR GAMBLING PREMISES IN STOCKTON

Members were presented with and asked to consider and agree a report which detailed proposed changes to the Gambling Statement of Principles following a public consultation on the draft Gambling Statement of Principles.

Should Members be minded to agree the proposed changes then the draft revised Gambling Statement of Principles would be presented to Cabinet 20th January 2022 and Council 26th January 2022 for agreement, with the revised policy coming into effect on 31st January 2022.

#### RESOLVED that:

- 1. the proposed changes to the draft Gambling Statement of Principles be agreed.
- 2. the proposed changes be presented to Cabinet 20 January 2022 and Council 26 January 2022 for consideration.

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# Agenda Item 5

**AGENDA NO** 

STATUTORY LICENSING COMMITTEE

**24 SEPTEMBER 2024** 

REPORT OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REGULATORY SERVICES AND TRANSFORMATION

# REVIEW OF THE STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES FOR GAMBLING PREMISES IN STOCKTON-ON-TEES

#### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to inform the Statutory Licensing Committee of the statutory public consultation on the revised Gambling Statement of Principles.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. Members note the content of the report.
- 2. Members comments are received on the proposed Gambling Statement of Principles.

#### **DETAIL**

- 1. The Gambling Act 2005 requires licensing authorities to publish a Statement of Principles, every three years. The current statement was published in January 2022 and as such, a new statement is due to be published in January 2025.
- 2. The statement includes three objectives, which support the role of the Gambling Commission and the local authority. These are:
- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime.
- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way.
- Protecting children and other vulnerable people from being harmed or exploited by gambling.
- 3. There have been no legislative changes since 2022, as such there have been no material changes to the proposed statement. The statement has had a refresh regarding look, ease of use and updated information about the Borough, gambling participation and gambling harms.
- 4. The statement does not include web-based, online gambling or any aspects of advertising or promotion as these are the responsibility of the Gambling Commission.
- 5. The draft statement was published for statutory consultation. The consultation included the public and stakeholders such as the Gambling Commission, trade associations, licensees, children's services, responsible authorities including police and public health, and all members.
- 6. The consultation and how to comment was also published on the website and within all public libraries. No further comments on the draft statement have been received.
- 7. In 2023 the Department for Culture, Media and Sport conducted a public consultation relating to the land based gambling sector and new regulations have been proposed. Once implemented, these will be incorporated into the new statement

- 8. As well as the Gambling Act 2005, the Gambling Commission Guidance for Local Authorities details how the local authority should exercise its functions when licensing premises for gambling. More information can be found at:

  www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/guidance/guidance-to-licensing-authorities
- 9. The current review will conclude with the revised statement coming into effect on the 31 January 2025 following consideration by Cabinet and Council.

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Financial Implications: The cost of licensing gambling premises and issuing

gaming permits and lottery registrations will be met from the fees paid by applicants. The fee structure, in terms of the application / renewal fees to be charged, will be determined with a view to full cost

recovery.

Environmental Implications: None

**Legal Implications**: The Gambling Act 2005 requires the Licensing

Authority to prepare a statement of principles every three years. The Council's current statement of principals was in effect from 31 January 2022 and is now due for review. The adoption of the statement of principals will assist members and officers when considering applications and businesses intending to submit applications. It will give a clear outline of the Authority will consider when assessing applications. A Statemenet of Principles can be

challenged by way of judicial review.

Community Safety Implications The administration and enforcement of the licensing

regime should assist in reducing crime and disorder.

**Human Rights Implications**Background Papers
None

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