

GAMBLING ACT 2005 - STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES (POLICY)

1. At its meeting on 17th November 2021, the Co-operative Executive considered a report of the Executive Director, Place, setting out the details of the revised Statement of Principles (Policy) to be published under the Gambling Act 2005 and detailing the consultation process that has been undertaken. The report also sought approval to the final version of the Statement of Principles (Policy) and for it to be referred to Full Council.
2. Approval of the Statement of Principles (Policy) under the Gambling Act 2005 is a function reserved to full Council.
3. The resolution passed by the Co-operative Executive is set out below.

RESOLVED: That the Co-operative Executive approve the Statement of Principles (Policy) for referral to Full Council on the 1st December 2021.

Recommendation

That the Council approves the Statement of Principles (Policy) under the Gambling Act 2005, as set out in the attached report.

Options

Full Council may:-

- (i) give instructions requiring Co-operative Executive to reconsider the draft Statement of Principles (Policy) to be published under the Gambling Act 2005 submitted by Co-operative Executive for the authority's consideration; or
- (ii) adopt (with or without modification) draft Statement of Principles (Policy) to be published under the Gambling Act 2005.

In considering the options, Full Council must have full regard to the contents of the report to the Co-operative Executive including, in particular, the implications that are highlighted in the report. Full Council's attention is drawn to the statutory requirements (noted in the report).

The Council is required by section 349 the Gambling Act 2005 to adopt and update a policy every three years. Under the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000, setting the policy is a function of both the executive (Co-operative Executive) in formulating or preparing the policy and non-executive (Full Council) in adopting the policy.

(NOTE: A copy of the report submitted to the Co-operative Executive is attached.)

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