

REPORT TO: East Lothian Licensing Board

MEETING DATE: 26 January 2017

SUBJECT: Statement of Principles – Gambling Act 2005

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To report to East Lothian Licensing Board on the results of the consultation exercise for the review of the Board's Statement of Licensing Principles;
- 1.2 To ask the Board to approve the attached Statement of Principles for 2016–2019.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That East Lothian Licensing Board notes the terms of this report and approves the Statement of Principles 2016–2019 (Appendix 1).

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the Board's meeting of 27 August 2015, it approved a report on the timetable and procedure for consultation for the review of the Board's Statement of Licensing Principles 2016–2019.
- 3.2 The requirement to review and publish a Statement of Principles for the three-year period is a statutory one, as is the obligation to consult certain specific consultees. The Statement of Principles sets out the Board's proposed approach to the exercise of its functions under the Gambling Act 2005 during the period 31 January 2016 – 30 January 2019.
- 3.3 The Clerk sent out a questionnaire to all required consultees. The questionnaire (Appendix 2) is attached. Only two responses were received.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Once approved, the Statement of Principles will be the policy of the Board.

5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 This Report is not applicable to the wellbeing of equalities groups and Equalities Impact Assessment is not required.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial - None
6.2 Personnel - None
6.3 Other - None

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 Statement of Principles January 2013 – 2016

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