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REPORT TO EXECUTIVE



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Gambling Act 2005 Burnley Borough Council Gambling Policy

PURPOSE

1. To seek Executive's endorsement of the draft Gambling Policy Statement.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That Executive recommend that Full Council approve the draft Gambling Policy Statement at Appendix A.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. To comply with the 3 year review required by the Gambling Act 2005.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

4 The Gambling Act 2005 requires Burnley Borough Council to update its Gambling Policy at least every 3 years. In order to meet this requirement the revised policy should be published before the 2nd January 2022.

There is a requirement when updating the policy that it is sent out to relevant authorities as part of a statutory consultation process. The Licensing Committee agreed the draft policy prior to consultation, (on the 23rd June 2021) which is now complete. A formal 6 week consultation period included distribution to relevant people and organisations, publication on the Councils website inviting comments, and a press release. No comments were received and no changes have been made as a result of the consultation. The policy has been considered by Licensing Committee and recommended for approval at Full Council in December 2021.

There is currently a national review of the Gambling Act 2005 which may impact on this policy, and if that is the case any relevant changes will be incorporated into the Councils Policy at a later date.

There are only minor changes in this policy compared with the current version in place.

To assist Members and consultees the amended parts of the policy have been highlighted.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION

5 None

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6. The Policy once agreed will replace the Gambling Policy 2019-2021, and become effective from 2nd January 2022.

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION

7. The formal consultation has been completed including the Licensing Committee and the Scrutiny Committee.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

8. None

FURTHER INFORMATION

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