



Extract from Licensing and Control Committee 'B' - 30 September 2019

LCCB/009/19-20 Gambling Act 2005 - Review of Statement of Licensing Policy

Purpose

The report before members invited them to review the draft statement of Gambling Licensing Policy.

Summary of discussion:

The Licensing Officer introduced the report to the Committee and set out the legislative background to the report and summarised the consultation responses which had been supplied to the Committee. A late representation had also been received from legal services (a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these minutes).

The Committee discussed the report and agreed to the changes proposed in the report and the representation from the legal services department. In addition there were some changes agreed to an annex in the report referring to a study conducted by Leeds University with references to mental ill-health being amended to 'mental health issues' and 'mentally distressed' respectively and that where the document referred to homeless it should also state 'and insecurely housed'. There would also need to be an additional sentence before para 30.5 stating 'some of this research is listed below'.

Members supported the document and lauded the importance of the policy and the subject matter of the document.

Decision,

That the Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy, as amended, be recommended to Council for approval.