

APPENDIX B

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S GAMBLING ACT 2005 STATEMENT OF LICENSING PRINCIPLES
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From: Aneurin Hughes
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2024 12:18 PM
Subject: REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S GAMBLING ACT 2005 STATEMENT OF LICENSING PRINCIPLES

Dear Sir/Madam,

GAMBLING ACT 2005 – REVISION OF STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES 2025-2028

I wish to inform you that it is the intention of **Tandridge District Council's** Licensing Authority to reaffirm its current Statement of Principles issued under the Gambling Act 2005. Local authorities have a statutory duty to review and publish a Statement of Licensing Principles at least every 3 years. The current statement of principles has served well in dealing with applications made under the Gambling Act 2005 – no aspects of the current statement have been subject to legal challenge.

This will be the fifth review of the Authority's Statement of Principles. No amendments will be made to the existing statement, other than updating Chapter 2 – "Welcome to the

Tandridge District” with the current population and relevant facts and figures where appropriate.

It is important for me to set out clearly why the Licensing Authority has decided to take this approach. You may be aware that an impending review of the Gambling Act 2005 is due to be issued in the next 12 – 18 months. This is likely to necessitate significant changes to the legislation and its supporting Guidance. In light of the impending changes at a national level, it is highly likely that a full review of the Council’s Statement of Principles will be required during the next 12 – 18 months.

With the Gambling Commission’s current Guidance to the Gambling Act 2005 in mind, and that they have advised it will not be updated until the review of the Gambling Act 2005 has been completed, it is felt that in the present economic climate, this Authority cannot justify a full review of the Statement of Principles and subsequent consultation exercise now, only for it to be repeated within the next 12 – 18 months.

I would be grateful if you could provide any comments you may have in respect of the Licensing Authority’s intention to reaffirm its current Statement of Principles by 31st August 2024.

For information the current statement of Licensing Principles can be found attached. Should no objections be received in respect of this proposal, the reaffirmed statement, save for updating the Chapter 2 facts and figures, will be put forward for ratification by full Council at a subsequent meeting and will come into effect on the 31st January 2025.

If you have any questions with regards the Council’s Statement of Principles, then please do not hesitate to contact the Council’s Licensing Team - Licensing@tandridge.gov.uk.

Regards,

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