

**COMMITTEE SECTION ONLY**

Decision No:	DD09
Notification Date:	18/11/13
Implementation Date: (unless called-in)	22/11/13
Call-in:	Yes

Decision Notice

Delegation to Individual Portfolio Holder

A. Decision taken by: Councillor Nigel Collor, Portfolio Holder for Access and Property Management

B. Delegated Power:

Powers delegated to the Portfolio Holder by Cabinet at its meeting held on 4 February 2013 (CAB 77).

C. Subject (including whether it is a Key Decision and included within the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions):

Statement of Policy and Principles 2013-2016 under the Gambling Act 2005.
This is a Key Decision which has been included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions.

Is the decision likely to disclose exempt information? No If so, please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

D. Decision:

To refer the revised Statement of Policy and Principles 2013-2016 to Council for adoption.

E. Reason(s) for decision:

Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 requires that the Licensing Authority publishes a Statement of Policy and Principles as to how it will exercise its functions under the Act. This Policy must be reviewed every three years and is now due.

At its meeting held on 4 February 2013 (CAB 77), Cabinet approved a draft Statement of Policy and Principles 2013-2016 for a period of public consultation. Consultation ran from 11 February 2013 until 6 May 2013. Cabinet further agreed that, in the event that limited consultation responses were received, the Portfolio Holder for Access and Property Management be authorised to propose adoption of the Statement of Policy and Principles to the Full Council, with possible modification. Only one response was received which wholeheartedly supported the Draft Statement of Policy and Principles. It is therefore the case that the Statement of Policy be proposed for adoption by the Portfolio Holder without any modifications. It is anticipated that Council will consider this matter at its meeting to be held on 27 November 2013.

Legal, Finance and Equalities Officers were consulted during the preparation of the draft Statement.

F. Details of alternative options considered and rejected:

None – the Licensing Authority is statutorily obliged to have an up to date Statement of Policy and Principles.

G. If the decision-maker has an interest in the matter, the existence and nature of that interest must be stated below:

None.

H. List of persons consulted by the decision-maker:

DDC's Head of Regulatory Services

I. Reason(s) for General Exception/Special Urgency (i.e. why the decision was not included in the current Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions and why it would be impracticable to defer the decision until the period covered by the next Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions)

Not applicable.

J. Notice of use of General Exception Procedure (to be followed where at least five clear days will have elapsed between issuing a General Exception Notice and informing the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee, and the Key Decision being taken)

I have informed the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee.

Not applicable.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____
(Decision-Taker)

K. Agreement to use of Special Urgency Procedure (to be followed where it is not possible to give five clear days' notice that a Key Decision will be taken)

I agree that the taking of the decision cannot reasonably be deferred.

Not applicable.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____
(Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee)

L. Any conflict of interest declared by any executive member who has been consulted by the decision-maker:

None.

M. Note of any dispensation granted by the Monitoring Officer in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

N. Background Documents:

Statement of Policy and Principles 2013-2016 (available on the Council's website)
Summary of Key Changes (as above)
Equalities Impact Assessment (as above)

Signed: _____
Decision-Maker

Dated: _____