FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

2021/22 Decision No. 2345

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 7 February 2022

Portfolio Policy & Resources

Subject: Gambling - Review of Statement of Principles

Report of: Director of Leisure and Community

Corporate Priority: Strong, safe, inclusive and healthy communities

Purpose:

This report sets out the Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Policy (Gambling Policy) that details the Council's approach to the provision of Gambling in the Borough. The Policy is reviewed every three years and this review has taken account of any changes in legislation, regulations and guidance. The revised Policy is attached as Appendix A and is being presented to the Executive for recommendation to Council for adoption.

The Council has an existing Gambling Policy which, during this review, has been rewritten for ease of understanding. There have not been any substantive policy changes. The Policy sets out the standards and criteria for applications received according to the Gambling Act and how those applications will be determined, and the licensing objectives promoted.

Options Considered:

The comments of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee were taken into account in considering this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that having considered the revised Gambling Policy, as detailed in Appendix A to the report, the Executive recommends the policy to Council for adoption.

Reason:

Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 ('the Act') requires the licensing authority to prepare and publish a Statement of Licensing Policy every three years. This outlines the general approach of the licensing authority when making licensing decisions under the Act and can be reviewed and revised by the Authority at any time.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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