

## REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

(Meeting held on 13 November 2009)

### 1. **GAMBLING ACT 2005 – APPROVAL OF THE STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES 2010 - 2013 (REPORT B) (MINUTE NO. 16)**

Each licensing authority is required to publish a Statement of Gambling Principles every three years. The Council approved its first statement of principles with effect on 3 January 2007 and a new statement must therefore be published by 3 January 2010.

A draft document was circulated for consultation to all interested parties and no recommendations for change were received from organisations affected.

The proposed new document reflects only minor changes to that currently in force.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

***That the Statement of Principles for 2010 - 2013 under the Gambling Act 2005 attached as appendix 1 to Report B to the Committee, with minor drafting amendments mentioned at the meeting, be adopted for implementation on 3 January 2010.***

### 2. **AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS (REPORT D) (MINUTE NO. 18)**

The Committee has considered an amendment to the Standing Orders for Meetings to include provision for announcements by the Leader of the Council at meetings of the Council.

The Committee supports the proposal but suggested that consideration be given to the imposition of a time limit.

The Council's Standing Orders for Meetings currently imposes time limits on speeches. These are set out in Standing Order 47.6 which provides that no speech shall exceed five minutes in the case of a mover of a motion, and three minutes in all other cases. It would therefore appear appropriate to set a time limit of 5 minutes on announcements by the Leader.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

***That Standing Order 34 of the Standing Orders for Meetings be amended to provide for announcements by the Leader of the Council at meetings of the Council, with a time limit of five minutes.***

**Cllr P R Woods  
CHAIRMAN**