REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

(Meeting held on 22 November 2021)

1. LICENSING ACT POLICY – REVIEW OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES (MINUTE NO. 17)

The Committee has considered the Licensing Act Policy following public consultation which took place between 12 September 2021 to 6 November 2021. One consultation response had been received from Public Health and as a result, some amendments to the policy were recommended. A further paragraph was also presented to the Committee to revise the policy to promote the awareness of drink spiking in licensed premises, which had been discussed at the previous meeting.

Members noted the consultation undertaken and response received and supported the proposed amendments.

RECOMMENDED:

That the revised Statement of Licensing Policy in relation to the Licensing Act 2003, attached as Appendix 1 be approved.

2. GAMBLING POLICY – REVIEW OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES (MINUTE NO. 18)

The Committee has considered a review of the Council's Gambling Policy. The Gambling Act 2005 required a review of the Council Statement of Gambling Principles every three years.

A consultation exercise was undertaken on the draft policy between 19 July 2021 and 10 September 2021. Two responses were received and as a result, minor amendments were proposed to the policy.

Members noted the consultation undertaken and responses received and supported the proposed amendments.

RECOMMENDED:

That the revised Statement of Gambling Principles in relation to the Gambling Act 2005, attached as Appendix 2 be approved.

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