REPORT TO: COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: 9

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SUBJECT: GAMBLING ACT 2005 – LOCAL

AREA PROFILE PLAN

WARD(S) TERMS OF

AFFECTED: ALL REFERENCE: EDS

1. Recommendations

1.1 That Members approve and adopt the Council's Gambling Act 2005 Local Area Profile Plan.

2. Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To provide Members with the outcome of a consultation with interested parties.
- 2.2 To provide Members with the necessary information to be able to give full consideration to the recommendation contained at paragraph 1.1 of this report.

3. Detail

3.1 In November 2015, Council approved and adopted the Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy. Members were advised that a local area profile would be produced by April 2016 to assist operators in producing their local risk assessments. Local risk assessments are required as part of the Social Responsibility Code, from April 2016, identifying and mitigating the local risks to the licensing objectives posed by the provision of gambling facilities at each premises.

Consultation

- 3.3 A consultation took place between 22nd February 2016 and 18th March 2016. Copies of the Policy were sent to all Responsible Authorities, existing licensees and other major stakeholders. The Policy was also placed on the Council's website.
- 3.4 One response was received in relation to the Plan from Councilor Harrison. No other responses were received. The draft Plan is attached as **Appendix 1.**

4. Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications to the Council.

4.2 Recommendation 1.1 will have no financial implications on existing licence holders.

5. Corporate Implications

- 5.1 These proposals will provide a clear framework for anyone wishing to start their own business which will contribute directly to the corporate vision to make South Derbyshire a better place to live, work, and visit, and to the theme of sustainable growth and opportunity.
- 5.2 These proposals will continue to demonstrate to members of the public that the Council takes the protection of local residents, children, and vulnerable adults from the potential harms of gambling activities seriously, which contributes to the theme of safety and security.