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Foreword – Cllr Brabazon (Cabinet Member)

Haringey is an exciting, vibrant borough with a wide range of leisure and cultural opportunities. This includes gambling, a legal entertainment activity that brings enjoyment to many Haringey residents. The Council’s policy is that residents should have the opportunity to enjoy gambling in a safe, controlled way, free from harm. This is only possible if the specific risks associated with gambling in Haringey are understood by all; if the Council takes a strong and clear approach to licensing, and if gambling operators show genuine responsibility in the steps they take to respond to risks.

This Gambling Policy lays out the risks associated with gambling that we face in Haringey, and what the Council expects of gambling operators in terms of their response to those risks. The risks we are concerned about include those covered by the licensing objectives of the Gambling Act 2005 - crime and disorder; and the harm/exploitation of children and other vulnerable persons. There are also Haringey-specific risks - we are particularly concerned about the clustering of betting shops in Haringey’s most deprived communities, where there is also a higher incidence of crime, mental health conditions and demand for debt advice. Haringey is particularly concerned about the health impacts of problem gambling. In particular there are significantly higher risks associated with category B Fixed Odds Betting Terminals (FOBTs) in promoting gambling addictions, and the associated harm to health and wellbeing.

We welcome the requirement of the Gambling Commission’s Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice, for licensees to assess and respond to the local risks to the licensing objectives posed by the provision of gambling facilities at their premises. We will ensure that the local risks assessments produced by gambling operators are meaningful and reflective of the real risks in Haringey. This policy lays out the evidence for what those local risks are, identifies the particular borough wards in which risks are most manifest, and crucially, clearly defines what sorts of policies, procedures or control measures we expect gambling operators to put in place to mitigate the risks.

Considering local risks is only part of the overall approach needed to control gambling we are still reliant on gambling operators demonstrating genuine social responsibility and responding to the spirit, not just the letter, of their responsibilities around local risk assessments. We work with operators to strive to meet expectations in full and put in place policies, procedures and control measures that make a genuine difference in reducing the risk of gambling related harms. In particular, we call on operators to respond to our concerns about FOBTs, through policies that promote verified accounts and enable problem gambling to be identified early in a way that triggers effective interventions.

For these reasons, this Authority has set out to establish a gambling licensing policy which recognises good industry practice and intends to support responsible operators but which also sets out to offer adequate protections to our local community.

The clarity of our expectations and our commitment to constructive partnership working with operators, means there is no excuse for inadequate risk assessments or policy proposals from operators. We will continue to monitor the impact of gambling on our communities in detail and listen to the views of our residents, public sector partners and voluntary sector. Whilst self-regulation has its place and is important, if operators consistently fail to respond to Haringey’s specific risks and exercise social responsibility and governance, we will not hesitate to lead the call for greater licensing powers to be granted to Local Authorities.

Integral to this has been the analysis of gambling related harm which informs this policy. The analysis explored local area based vulnerability to gambling related harm and, as such,
provided both context to this policy and a ‘local area profile’. This enables consideration to be
given to local issues that must be addressed by local operators and to the extent to which any
further development of a gambling offer within the borough may be appropriate.
Part A - Statement of Gambling Policy

1. Introduction

The London Borough of Haringey (the Council) became a “Licensing Authority” under the Gambling Act 2005 (the Act), which came into force in 2007 and established a new regime for the regulation of commercial gambling whilst repealing a number of pieces of older law.

1.1. The policy opens with a more general introduction to Haringey (Section A), followed by detail on the objectives this Authority will rely on in fulfilling its licensing responsibilities (section B). Section C of this policy sets out the principles and considerations this Authority will go through in determining gambling premises licences. All new and current operators must have regard to this section when compiling local risk assessments and should make this section their starting point when absorbing the content of this policy alongside the Local Area Profile supplementary guidance. The steps that this and other responsible authorities would wish to see given appropriate consideration within risk assessments and operating schedules. It is intended to reflect and enhance industry good practice. This section is also intended to make clear certain aspects of the applications process for the benefit of all. This includes information on consultation, responsible authorities, interested parties and relevant objections. Sections D (permits etc) sets out in some detail the various permits, Section E deals with enforcement matters, establishing how this Authority and partner service and external agencies intend to work collaboratively together, in a fair, transparent, open and consistent manner, to provide intelligent directed regulation.

1.2. The Act requires the Council, along with all other licensing authorities, to publish a statement of Gambling Policy that will be applied when carrying out its licensing functions. This statement of Licensing Policy (the statement) fulfils that statutory requirement and details the Council’s general approach to the making of decisions under the Act. Where updates are required due to changes in national legislation, statutory guidance or contact details the council reserves the right to amend this policy without consultation where it is necessary to ensure policy reflects national legislation or statutory guidance.

1.3. The main function of the Council as a Licensing Authority, through its licensing committee, will be to licence premises where gambling is to take place and issue a range of licences, permits and authorisations for gambling in its area. The Licensing Authority will also have power to impose conditions and review licences.

1.4. The Council will be empowered by the Act to take enforcement action when an offence under the legislation has been committed. Offences include when premises or activities are unlicensed, or licence conditions are not complied with; to support this enforcement there are powers of entry and inspection.

1.5. This policy refers to the Gambling Commission, which has wider functions under the Act and with whom the Council will work alongside as a dual regulator. However, it does not discuss the role and responsibilities of the Commission and any references in this policy will only be insofar as it impacts on, or clarifies, this Authority’s functions. For example, the Commission is exclusively responsible for issuing operator and personal licences, which is a necessity before the Council can consider an application for a premises licence.
1.1 The Gambling Commission is also mentioned in this policy as being responsible for issuing Codes of Practice and Guidance to licensing authorities regarding the manner in which they are to exercise their functions. This policy endorses the principles set out in the Gambling Commission Guidance and key licensing objectives and confirms that the Council will take account of all such guidance. This statement must be published at least every three years. The statement must also be reviewed from “time to time” and any amended parts re-consulted upon. The policy must then be re-published.

2. Consultation
Haringey Council consulted widely upon this Policy statement before finalising and publishing. A list of those persons consulted is provided below, in line with the Act and the Gambling Commission’s Guidance.

- The Chief Officer of Police;
- The Fire Authority
- One or more persons who appear to the authority to represent the interests of persons carrying on gambling businesses in the authority’s area;
- One or more persons who appear to the authority to represent the interests of persons who are likely to be affected by the exercise of the authority’s functions under the Gambling Act 2005.
- Services within the Council with an interest in the gambling process (Responsible Authorities)
- Local Safeguarding Children Board
- Councillors
- H.M Revenue and Customs
- Other organisations that appear to be affected by licensing matters covered in the Policy.
- Neighbouring boroughs.
- Local residents association

2.1. Our consultation took place between XXXXX and XXXXX and we followed the HM Government Code of Practice on Consultation (published July 2012).

2.2. The full list of comments made and the consideration by the Council of those comments is available/will be available by request to: Licensing@haringey.gov.uk / via the Council’s website at: www.haringey.gov.uk/licensing

2.3. The policy was approved at a meeting of the Full Council on (TBC) and was published via our website on. Copies were placed in the public libraries of the area as well as being available in the Civic Centre.

2.4. Should you have any comments as regards this policy statement please send them via e-mail or letter to the following contact:

Licensing Team
Level 1 River Park House
225 High Road, Wood Green
London
N22 8GH
licensing@haringey.gov.uk
2.5. It should be noted that this statement of licensing policy will not override the right of any person to make an application, make representations about an application, or apply for a review of a licence, as each will be considered on its own merits and according to the statutory requirements of the Gambling Act 2005. The council acknowledges that it may need to depart from this policy and from the guidance issued under the Act in individual and exceptional circumstances, and where the case merits such a decision in the interest of the promotion of the licensing objectives. Any such decision will be taken in consultation with the appropriate legal advisors for the Licensing Authority, and the reasons for any such departure will be fully recorded.

3. Objectives
In exercising most of its functions under the Gambling Act 2005 the Council as the Licensing Authority must have regard to the following licensing objectives:

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or used to support crime;
- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way;
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

3.1. It should be noted that the Gambling Commission has stated: “The requirement in relation to children is explicitly to protect them from being harmed or exploited by gambling”.

3.2. The Council is aware that, as per Section 153, in making decisions about premises licences and temporary use notices it should aim to permit the use of premises for gambling insofar as it thinks it is:

- In accordance with any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission;
- In accordance with any relevant guidance issued by the Gambling Commission;
- Reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives;
- In accordance with the Council’s Statement of Licensing Policy. In particular, the Council requires operators to take account of the local area profile of the borough contained within this policy.

The Council is required under the Act to:

- Be responsible for the licensing of premises where gambling activities are to take place by issuing Premises Licences;
- Issue Provisional Statements;
- Regulate members’ clubs who wish to undertake certain gaming activities via issuing Club Gaming Permits and/or Club Machine Permits; Issue Club Machine Permits to Commercial Clubs;
- Grant permits for the use of certain lower stake gaming machines at unlicensed family entertainment centres;
- Receive notification from alcohol licensed premises (under the Licensing Act 2003) of the use of two or fewer gaming machines;
- Issue Licensed Premises Gaming Machine Permits for premises licensed to sell/supply alcohol for consumption on the licensed premises, under the Licensing Act 2003, where there are more than two machines;
- Register small society lotteries below prescribed thresholds;
- Issue Prize Gaming Permits; Receive and endorse Temporary Use Notices;
• Receive Occasional Use Notices;
• Provide information to the Gambling Commission regarding details of licences issued (see section below on information exchange);
• Maintain registers of the permits and licences that are issued under these functions.

3.3. It should be noted that local licensing authorities are not involved in licensing remote gambling at all, which is regulated by the Gambling Commission via Operator Licences.

3.4. The Council recognises that the licensing function is only one means of promoting delivery of the three objectives and should not therefore be seen as a means for solving all problems within the community. The Council will therefore work in partnership with neighbouring authorities, Metropolitan Police Service, the Community Safety Partnership, local businesses, local people and those involved in child protection to promote the licensing objectives as outlined. In addition, the Council recognises its duty under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, with regard to the prevention of crime and disorder.

3.5. The scheme of delegation is set out at Appendix 1.

4. Declaration
This statement of licensing policy will not override the right of any person to make an application, make representations about an application, or apply for a review of a licence, as each will be considered on its own merits and according to the statutory requirements of the Gambling Act 2005.

4.1. In producing this document, the council declares that it has had regard to the licensing objectives of the Gambling Act 2005, the guidance issued by the Gambling Commission, and any responses from those consulted on the policy statement.

5. Responsible Authorities
The Act empowers certain agencies to act as responsible authorities so that they can employ their particular area of expertise to help promote the licensing objectives. Responsible authorities are able to make representations about licence applications, or apply for a review of an existing licence. Responsible authorities will also offer advice and guidance to applicants.

5.1. The council is required by regulations to state the principles it will apply to designate, in writing, a body which is competent to advise the authority about the protection of children from harm. The principles are:
• The need for the body to be responsible for an area covering the whole of the licensing authority’s area and the need for the body to be answerable to democratically elected persons, rather than any particular vested interest group etc.
• Answerable to democratically elected Councillors and not to any particular interest group.

5.2. In accordance with the regulations the Council designates the Director of Children Services for this purpose.
5.3. The following are Responsible Authorities:
- The Gambling Commission
- Her Majesty's Commissioners of Customs and Excise (now known as Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs)
- The Metropolitan Police Service
- The London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority
- The Council, as Licensing Authority
- The Council, as Planning Authority
- The Council's Director of Children's Services
- The Council's Environmental Health Service
- The Council's Public Health Service
- Any other person or body who may be prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport ('the Secretary of State')

5.4. Contact details of all the Responsible Authorities under the Gambling Act 2005 are available on the Council’s web site. Contact details of all the responsible authorities under the Gambling Act 2005 are available on the council’s website within the guidance documents at Appendix 5.

6. Interested parties
Interested parties are certain types of people or organisations that have the right to make representations about licence applications, or apply for a review of an existing licence. These parties are defined in the Gambling Act 2005 as follows:

“For the purposes of this Part a person is an interested party in relation to an application for or in respect of a premises licence if, in the opinion of the licensing authority which issues the licence or to which the applications is made, the person -

- lives sufficiently close to the premises to be likely to be affected by the authorised activities,
- has business interests that might be affected by the authorised activities, or
- represents persons who satisfy paragraph (a) or (b)”

6.1. The Council is required by regulations to state the principles it will apply to determine whether a person is an interested party. The principles are:
- Each case will be decided upon its merits. The council will not apply a rigid rule to its decision making. It will consider the examples of considerations provided in the Gambling Commission’s Guidance to local authorities.
- Within this framework the Council will accept representations made on behalf of residents' and tenants' associations.
- In order to determine if an interested party lives or has business interests, sufficiently close to the premises to be likely to be affected by the gambling activities, the council will consider factors such as the size of the premises and the nature of the activities taking place.

6.2. The following are not valid reasons to reject applications for premises licences:
   a) Moral objections to gambling
   b) The 'saturation' of gambling premises unless there is evidence that the premises poses a risk to the licensing objectives in that locality
   c) A lack of 'demand'
d) Whether the proposal is likely to receive planning or building regulations consent

6.3. The council will provide more detailed information on the making of representations in a separate guidance note. The guidance note has been prepared in accordance with relevant Statutory Instruments and Gambling Commission guidance.

7. Exchange of information
Licensing authorities are required to include in their policy statement the principles to be applied by the authority with regards to the exchange of information between it and the Gambling Commission, as well as other persons listed in Schedule 6 to the Act.

7.1. The principle that the council applies is that it will act in accordance with the provisions of the Gambling Act 2005 in its exchange of information which includes the provision that the Data Protection Act 2018 will not be contravened. The council will also have regard to any guidance issued by the Gambling Commission to local authorities on this matter, as well as any relevant regulations issued by the Secretary of State under the powers provided in the Gambling Act 2005.

8. Gambling Prevalence and Problem Gambling
In 2015 the Gambling Commission commissioned research by the National Centre for Social Research (NatCen), to study gambling behaviour in the UK. The research aim was to:

- Describe the prevalence of gambling participation, at-risk gambling and problem gambling and;
- Explore characteristics associated with gambling participation, at-risk gambling, and problem gambling.

8.1. It found that 63% of adults (16+) in Great Britain had gambled in the previous year, with men (66%) being more likely than women (59%) to do so. Previous year gambling participation varied by age with participation rates being highest among the middle age groups and lowest among the very young or very old. This pattern was the same for men and women. Rates of previous year gambling are heavily influenced by the popularity of the National Lottery. Overall, 45% of British adults had gambled on other activities in the past year. When National Lottery only gamblers are excluded, gambling participation was highest among younger adults. Among both men and women the most popular forms of gambling were: purchase of tickets for the national lottery (46%); purchase of scratch cards (23%), and participation in other lotteries (15%).

8.2. At-risk gambling was measured using the Problem Gambling Severity Index (PGSI). This identifies people who have experienced some difficulty with their gambling behaviour but who are not classified as problem gamblers. Two groups are identified: gamblers at ‘low risk of harm’ (a PGSI score of 1-2) and gamblers at ‘moderate risk’ of harm (a PGSI score of 3-7). Overall, 2.8% of adults were low risk gamblers (a PGSI score of 1-2) and a further 1.1% were moderate risk gamblers (a PGSI score of 3-7), meaning that overall 3.9% of adults had a PGSI score which categorised them as ‘at-risk’ gamblers. Rates of low risk and moderate risk gambling were higher among men than women and were higher among younger age groups.

8.3. The highest rates of problem gambling were among those who had participated in spread betting (20.1%), betting via a betting exchange (16.2%), playing poker in pubs or
clubs (15.9%), betting offline on events other than sports or horse or dog racing (15.5%) and playing machines in bookmakers (11.5%).

8.4. Problem gambling was more prevalent among people who had participated in a number of gambling activities in the past year (prevalence was 11.9% for those who participated in seven or more activities compared to 0.3% of those who had taken part in just one gambling activity in the last year).

8.5. The GamCare annual review (2016-2017) reported the following:
- 43,367 calls/webchats were answered by Help Line in 16/17 compared to 34,198 the year before – a 23% in calls.
- An even split of calls made in relation to online and offline gambling.
- 77% of calls were made by the gambler, 20% were made by an affected other.
- The greatest impact of problem gambling reported is anxiety/stress, financial difficulties and family/relationship difficulties.
- 2 million unique visitors to the website, which was double to last year.
- 1,200 more clients treated this year compared to last year.

9. Gambling in Haringey
In Haringey we currently have 64 Betting shops, 5 Adult Gaming Centres (AGCs), 1 Bingo premises and 2 track betting premises.

9.1 In April 2011 a Haringey scrutiny report noted that betting shops were located disproportionately within the east of the borough (85%), and that there was a correlation between the location of betting shops and social deprivation with 43% of betting shops are located in the most deprived super output areas (10%) of the borough.

9.2 Although gambling is a legal entertainment activity it can, in some locations have a negative impact on individuals and the wider community. The Council has worked to understand how gambling can affect its residents and visitors. The Council has also sought to identify individuals who live in the local area who are potentially vulnerable to gambling related harm. Haringey has considered the evidence gathered on the health/social impacts of gambling through our partners such as Public Health and Citizens' Advice Centres to bring together the local area profile. We expect license applicants/holders to take account of that information to mitigate those impacts effectively through their risk assessments and thereby have meaningful dialogue with the Council, Police and other partners in addressing the concerns identified.

Part B Promotion of the licensing objectives
10. Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime

10.1. This licensing authority is aware that the Gambling Commission will be taking a leading role in preventing gambling from being a source of crime, and that regulatory issues arising from the prevention of disorder are likely to focus almost exclusively on premises licensing, which is the remit of the Licensing Authority. The Gambling Commission’s guidance does however envisage that licensing authorities should pay attention to the proposed location of gambling premises in terms of this licensing objective. Where an area is known to have high levels of crime this authority will consider carefully whether gambling premises are suitable to be located there, taking into account such factors as,

- levels of recorded crime,
- the type of that crime,
- levels of ASB related complaints.

10.2. Applicants are advised to examine crime and ASB statistics that relate to the vicinity of their application. This will allow for the application to be tailored to the specific locality and to include any additional measures potentially required to support the objective to be set out in the application. This may also reduce the likelihood of objections being made to the application. Advice about accessing such data can be provided by the Licensing Authority.

10.3. This Licensing Authority accepts that issues of nuisance cannot be addressed via the Gambling Act provisions, although preventing gambling from being a source of disorder is a licensing objective. The Licensing Authority is also mindful that what starts as nuisance may subsequently escalate to disorder, and that such disorder can have a serious effect on the lives of local residents. If an application for licence review were to be made on the basis of disorder the authority will then distinguish between disorder and nuisance, considering factors such as:

- whether police assistance was required;
- how threatening the behaviour was to those who could see it;
- how frequently it is reported;
- prevalence of persons loitering outside;
- the times of day when disorder is reported;
- the impact on residents.

10.4. Issues of nuisance cannot be addressed by the Gambling Act provisions however problems of this nature can be addressed through other legislation as appropriate.

11. Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way

11.1. The council is aware that except in the case of tracks (see section 21) generally the Gambling Commission does not expect licensing authorities to become concerned with ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way as this will be addressed via operating and personal licences.

11.2. However the council will familiarise itself with operator licence conditions and will communicate any concerns to the Gambling Commission about misleading advertising or any absence of required game rules or other matters as set out in the Gambling Commission’s Licence Conditions and Code of Practice.
11.3 Examples of the specific steps the council may take to address this area can be found in the various sections covering specific premises types in Part C of this document and also in Part D which covers permits and notices.

12. Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling

12.1 Protection of children
This licensing objective means preventing children from taking part in most types of gambling. The council will therefore consider whether specific measures are required at particular premises, with regard to this licensing objective. Appropriate measures may include supervision of entrances / machines, segregation of areas etc.

12.2 In premises that may attract children this Authority expects licence holders to train staff to recognise child sexual exploitation, and for staff to be able to demonstrate an understanding of the steps they should take if their suspicions are aroused.

12.3 The Act provides the following definition for child and young adult in Section 45:
Meaning of “child” and “young person”
   (1) In this Act “child” means an individual who is less than 18 years old.
   (2) In this Act “young person” means an individual who is not a child but who is less than 18 years old.

   For the purpose of this section protection of children will encompass both child and young person as defined by the Act.

12.4 The council will pay particular attention to any codes of practice which the Gambling Commission issues as regards this licensing objective in relation to specific premises.

12.5 Examples of the specific steps the council may take to address this area can be found in the various sections covering specific premises types in Part C of this document and also in Part D which covers permits and notices.

13 Protection of vulnerable people
The council is aware of the difficulty in defining the term “vulnerable person”.

13.1 The Gambling Commission, in its Guidance to Local Authorities, does not seek to offer a definition for the term “vulnerable people” but will, for regulatory purposes assume that this group includes people:
   • “who gamble more than they want to, people who gamble beyond their means, elderly
   • persons, and people who may not be able to make informed or balanced decisions
   • about gambling due to a mental impairment, or because of the influence of alcohol or drugs.”

13.2 The Department of Health document “No Secrets” offers a definition of a vulnerable adult as a person:
   • “who is or may be in need of community care services by reason of mental or other
   • disability, age or illness; and who is or may be unable to take care of him or herself, or
• unable to protect him or herself against significant harm or exploitation.”

13.3 In the case of premises licences the council is aware of the extensive requirements set out for operators in the Gambling Commissions Code of Practice. In this document the Gambling Commission clearly describe the policies and procedures that operators should put in place regarding:

• Combating problem gambling;
• Access to gambling by children and young persons;
• Information on how to gambling responsibly and help for problem gamblers;
• Customer interaction;
• Self-exclusion;
• Employment of children and young persons.

13.4 All applicants should familiarise themselves with the operator licence conditions and codes of practice relating to this objective and determine if these policies and procedures are appropriate in their circumstances. The council will communicate any concerns to the Gambling Commission about any absence of this required information.

13.5 Applicants should consider the following proposed measures for protecting and supporting vulnerable persons, for example:

• leaflets offering assistance to problem gamblers should be available on gambling premises in a location that is both prominent and discreet, such as toilets;
• training for staff members which focuses on building an employee’s ability to maintain a sense of awareness of how much (e.g. how long) customers are gambling, as part of measures to detect persons who may be vulnerable;
• trained personnel for the purpose of identifying and providing support to vulnerable persons;
• self-exclusion schemes;
• operators should demonstrate their understanding of best practice issued by organisations that represent the interests of vulnerable people;
• posters with GamCare Helpline and website in prominent locations;
• windows, entrances and advertisements to be positioned or designed not to entice passers-by.

13.6 It should be noted that some of these measures form part of the mandatory conditions placed on premises licences.

13.7 The council may consider any of the above or similar measures as licence conditions should these not be adequately addressed by any mandatory conditions, default conditions or proposed conditions by the applicant.

Part C Types of Gambling Premises licences

14. Premises licences are subject to the requirements set-out in the Gambling Act 2005 and regulations, as well as specific mandatory and default conditions which are detailed in regulations issued by the Secretary of State. Licensing authorities are able to exclude
default conditions and also attach others, where it is believed to be appropriate.

14.1 The Council is aware that in making decisions about premises licences it should aim to permit the use of premises for gambling in so far as it thinks it is:
- in accordance with any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission;
- in accordance with any relevant guidance issued by the Gambling Commission;
- reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives; and
- in accordance with the authority's statement of licensing policy.

14.2 It is appreciated that as per the Gambling Commission's Guidance for local authorities "moral objections to gambling are not a valid reason to reject applications for premises licences" (except as regards any 'no casino resolution') and also that unmet demand is not a criterion for a licensing authority.

14.3 The council will issue premises licences to allow those premises to be used for certain types of gambling. For example premises licences will be issued to amusement arcades, bingo halls, bookmakers and casinos.

14.4 Applicants should also be aware that the Gambling Commission has issued Codes of Practice for each interest area for which they must have regard. The council will also have regard to these Codes of Practice.

15 Definition of “premises”
Premises are defined in the Act as “any place”. Different premises licences cannot apply in respect of a single premises at different times. However, it is possible for a single building to be subject to more than one premises licence, provided they are for different parts of the building and the different parts of the building can be reasonably regarded as being different premises. Whether different parts of a building can properly be regarded as being separate premises will always be a question of fact in the circumstances.

15.1 The council will take particular care in considering applications for multiple licences for a building and those relating to a discrete part of a building used for other (non-gambling) purposes. In particular the council will assess entrances and exits from parts of a building covered by one or more licences to satisfy itself that they are separate and identifiable so that the separation of different premises is not compromised and that people do not ‘drift’ into a gambling area.

15.2 The council will pay particular attention to applications where access to the licensed premises is through other premises (which themselves may be licensed or unlicensed). Issues that the council will consider before granting such applications include whether children can gain access, compatibility of the two establishments; and the ability to comply with the requirements of the Act. In addition, an overriding consideration will be whether, taken as a whole, the co-location of the licensed premises with other facilities has the effect of creating an arrangement that otherwise would, or should, be prohibited under the Act.

15.3 The Gambling Commission’s relevant access provisions for each premises type are reproduced below

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| Casinos                                                                 | • the principal entrance to the premises must be from a ‘street’  
• no entrance to a casino must be from premises that are used wholly or mainly by children and/or young persons  
• no customer must be able to enter a casino directly from any other premises which holds a gambling premises licence. |
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| Betting shops                                                          | • access must be from a ‘street’ or from other premises with a betting premises licence  
• no direct access from a betting shop to another premises used for the retail sale of merchandise or services. In effect there cannot be an entrance to a betting shop from a shop of any kind unless that shop is itself a licensed betting premises. |
| Tracks                                                                 | no customer must be able to access the premises directly from a casino or AGC                                    |
| Bingo premises                                                         | • no customer must be able to access the premises directly from a casino, an AGC or a betting premises, other than a track |
| FECs                                                                   | • no customer must be able to access the premises directly from a casino, an AGC or a betting premises, other than a track. |

15.4 An applicant cannot obtain a full premises licence until they have the right to occupy the premises to which the application relates.

16. **Licence Conditions Code of Practice (LCCP) - Application of Social Responsibility Codes.**

16.1 The Gambling Commission has issued ‘Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice (LCCP) under the Gambling Act 2005 which came into effect on 6th May 2018. These were a significant update on previous LCCP and are in three parts:

• General Conditions attached to operating licences
• Principal Code of Practice: Social Responsibility provisions and Ordinary provisions
• General Conditions attached to Personal Licences.

16.2 Haringey will expect all applicants to have considered the LCCP and included relevant parts within their application.

16.3 In particular, all non-remote licensees ‘must assess the local risks to the licensing objectives posed by the provision of gambling facilities at each of their premises, and
have policies, procedures and control measures to mitigate those risks. In making risk assessments, licensees must take into account relevant matters identified in the licensing authority’s statement of licensing policy’ (Social responsibility (SR) code 10.1.1); and 11.4 Local risk assessments must be reviewed when there are significant changes in local circumstances (including those identified in a licensing authority’s statement of licensing policy) or at the premises, or when applying for a new licence or variation of a licence (SR code 10.1.2).

16.4 Haringey may, at its discretion, add conditions from the Gambling Commission LCCPs to any applicants licence as it sees fit.

17 Local Area Profile and Risk Assessments
Haringey is an improving progressive borough, however, as can be seen from the analysis provided under the local area profile, the east of the borough compares poorly with the west and carry’s high levels of deprivation that potentially puts people in those areas at risk to gambling related harm. From 6 April 2016, it is a requirement of the Gambling Commission’s Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice (LCCP), under section 10 for licensees to assess the local risks to the licensing objectives posed by the provision of gambling facilities at their premises and have policies, procedures and control measures to mitigate those risks. In making risk assessments, licensees must take into account relevant matters identified in this policy.

17.1 This position gives rise to serious concerns of the impact of any further increase in the number of gambling premises in those most vulnerable and ‘at risk’ areas of the borough. This Authority considers that it is necessary to seek to control the number of facilities for gambling in areas where its most vulnerable residents may be placed at increasing risk, and in line with the duty, to aim to permit gambling insofar as it is reasonably consistent with the pursuit of the licensing objectives. All areas shown within the local area profile as being at high overall risk of gambling related harm, are generally considered inappropriate for further gambling establishments, which would tend to raise the risk of gambling related harm to vulnerable people living in those areas. Operators are asked to consider very carefully whether seeking to locate new premises or relocating existing premises within these areas would be consistent with the licensing objectives. Wherever the facilities are proposed, operators should consider, having regard to the individual mapping provided, each of the specific characteristics of their local area. Each premises’ specific risk-assessment should recognise these and provide appropriate proactive mitigation or control measures.

17.2 The council is aware that demand issues (e.g. the likely demand or need for gambling facilities in an area) cannot be considered with regard to the location of premises but that considerations in terms of the licensing objectives can. The council will pay particular attention to the protection of children and vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling, as well as issues of crime and disorder. With regard to these objectives it is the council’s policy, upon receipt of any relevant representations to look at specific location issues including:

- the possible impact a gambling premises may have on any premises that provide services to children or young people, i.e. a school, or vulnerable adult centres in the area;
- the possible impact a gambling premises may have on residential areas where there may be a high concentration of families with children;
- the size of the premises and the nature of the activities taking place;
any levels of organised crime in the area.

17.3 It is a requirement of the code that such risk assessments should be shared with the Council when applying for a new licence, making a variation or when there is a significant change in local circumstances (including any update of the Gambling Policy). Where there are significant changes at a licensee’s premises that may affect the mitigation of local risk, or otherwise on request from the Authority. The LB Haringey expects that such risk assessments will automatically be shared for all premises and to take into account the following:

17.4 Any special risks created by geographic location. To include schools, colleges or establishments frequented by children and young people, residential areas where there may be a high concentration of children and young persons, and the measures proposed to reduce any specific risk of children and young people from these premises accessing gambling facilities at the licensee’s premises and to identify any potential risks to vulnerable persons. Assessment of risk covers the following:
   a. Identify risk factors
   b. Who can be harmed and how
   c. Evaluate the risk
   d. Record and score findings
   e. Monitor and review

17.5 Other matters that the assessment may include:

- local area crime statistics;
- whether the premises is in an area of deprivation;
- whether the premises is in an area subject to high levels of crime and/or disorder;
- the ethnic profile of residents in the area;
- the demographics of the area in relation to vulnerable groups;
- the location of services for children such as schools, playgrounds, toy shops, leisure centres and other areas where children will gather;
- the training of staff to recognise child sexual exploitation and the steps to be taken if it is suspected;
- details as to the location and coverage of working CCTV cameras, and how the system will be monitored;
- the layout of the premises so that staff have an unobstructed view of persons using the premises;
- the number of staff that will be available on the premises at any one time. If at any time that number is one, confirm the supervisory and monitoring arrangements when that person is absent from the licensed area or distracted from supervising the premises and observing those persons using the premises;
- arrangements for monitoring and dealing with under age persons and vulnerable, which may include dedicated and trained personnel, leaflets, posters, self-exclusion schemes, window displays and advertisements not to entice passers-by etc;
- the provision of signage and documents relating to games rules, gambling care providers and other relevant information be provided in both English and the other prominent first language for that locality;
- where the application is for a betting premises licence, other than in respect of a track, the location and extent of any part of the premises which will be used to provide facilities for gambling in reliance on the licence;
- the training of staff in brief intervention when customers show signs of excessive gambling, the ability of staff to offer brief intervention and how the manning of premises affects this.

17.6 Such information may be used to inform the decision the council makes about whether to grant the licence, to grant the licence with special conditions or to refuse the application.

17.7 A good risk assessment accompanying an application will:

- Enable the licensing authority to see that the applicant has considered the community and the risks within it;
- Provide greater clarity for operators leading to improved premises licence applications, with the operator already incorporating controls and measures to mitigate risk in their application;
- Enable the licensing authority to make robust but fair decisions, based on a clear, published set of factors and risks, which are therefore less susceptible to challenge;
- Encourage a proactive approach to risk that is likely to result in reduced compliance and enforcement action.

17.8 In any case the local risk assessment should show how vulnerable people, including people with gambling dependencies, are protected.

17.9 There is evidence that some groups in the population may be more vulnerable to gambling related harm. This does not only apply to people on low incomes but also people who are less able to make reasoned decisions because of poor mental health or addiction. Children and young people may be particularly susceptible, as their youth and inexperience may make them more inclined to risk-taking behaviour and less able to manage the consequences of those decisions.

17.10 To help support applicants and licence holders to better understand their local environment, an analysis of gambling related harm has been prepared as a ‘local area profile’. A copy of the document is provided at Appendix 2. By drawing on relevant and reliable published socio-economic and public health data sets together with local police data concerning anti-social behaviour, the local area profile uses special analysis techniques to provide a model of area-based vulnerability to gambling related harm across the borough. Both current operators and potential new operators to the borough are asked to consider the detail provided carefully, and should have regard to both the overall summary map and the individual mapping provided in respect of each relevant data set.

17.11 This policy does not preclude any application being made and each application will be decided on its merits, with the onus being upon the applicant to show how the concerns can be overcome. Assessing local risk should therefore provide a means for licensees to address local concerns about gambling premises; and for licensing authorities and gambling licensees to work collaboratively with a view to minimising risks, within the framework of aiming to permit gambling where reasonably consistent with licensing objectives.
18. **Duplication with other regulatory regimes**
The council will seek to avoid any duplication with other statutory/regulatory systems where possible, including planning. The council will not consider whether a licence application is likely to be awarded planning permission or building regulations approval, in its consideration of it. It will though, listen to, and consider carefully, any concerns about proposed conditions which are not able to be met by the applicant due to planning restrictions, should such a situation arise, this may include consideration of the proposed hours of operation. The Council will consider the hours proposed in accordance to the risk assessment and area profile.

19 **Conditions**
The Council is aware that the Secretary of State has set mandatory conditions and default conditions. The Gambling Commission has set Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice which are necessary for the general good conduct of gambling premises. The Council will not seek to impose further individual conditions in relation to matters that have already been dealt with.

19.1 Where there are specific risks or problems associated with a particular locality, or specific premises, or class of premises, the council will attach individual conditions to address this.

19.2 Any conditions attached to a licence issued by the council will be proportionate and will be:

- relevant to the need to make the proposed building suitable as a gambling facility;
- directly related to the premises and the type of licence applied for, and/or related to
  - the area where the premises is based;
- fairly and reasonably related to the scale, type and location of premises;
- consistent with the licensing objectives, and
- reasonable in all other respects.

19.3 Decisions about individual conditions will be made on a case by case basis, although there will be a number of control measures the council will consider using, such as supervision of entrances, supervision of adult gaming machines, appropriate signage for adult only areas etc. There are specific comments made in this regard under each of the licence types in this policy. The council will also expect the applicant to offer his/her own suggestions as to the way in which the licensing objectives can be met effectively.

19.4 Where certain measures are not already addressed by the mandatory/default conditions or by the applicant, the council may consider licence conditions to cover issues such as:

- proof of age schemes;
- CCTV;
- supervision of entrances;
- supervision of machine areas;
- a reduction in the number of betting machines (betting premises);
- the staffing of premises;
- physical separation of areas;
- location of entrance points;
- notices / signage;
- specific opening hours;
- a requirement that children must be accompanied by an adult;
- enhanced CRB checks of the applicant and/or staff;
- support to persons with gambling addiction;
- policies to address seasonal periods where children may more frequently attempt to gain access to premises and gamble such as pre and post school hours, half terms and summer holidays;
- policies to address the problems associated with truant children who may attempt to gain access to premises and gamble;
- any one or a combination of these measures.

19.5 This list is not mandatory or exhaustive and is merely indicative of examples of certain measures which may satisfy the requirements of the licensing authority and the responsible authorities, depending on the nature and location of the premises and the gambling facilities to be provided.

19.6 There are conditions which the council cannot attach to premises licences which are:

- any condition on the premises licence which makes it impossible for the applicant to comply with an operating licence condition;
- conditions relating to gaming machine categories, numbers, or method of operation;
- conditions which provide that membership of a club or body be required (the Gambling Act 2005 specifically removes the membership requirement for casino and bingo clubs and this provision prevents it being reinstated) and
- conditions in relation to stakes, fees, winnings or prizes.

20. **Door supervision**

The council will consider whether there is a need for door supervision in terms of the licensing objectives of protection of children and vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling, and also in terms of preventing premises becoming a source of crime. It is noted though that the Gambling Act 2005 has amended the Private Security Industry Act 2001 and that door supervisors at casinos or bingo premises are not required to be licensed by the Security Industry Authority. Where door supervisors are provided at these premises the operator should ensure that any persons employed in this capacity are fit and proper to carry out such duties. Possible ways to achieve this could be to carry out a criminal records (CRB) check on potential staff and for such personnel to have attended industry recognised training.

21. **Adult gaming centres**

Under the Act a premises holding an adult gaming centre licence will be able to make category B, C and D gaming machines available and no one under 18 will be permitted to enter such premises.

21.1 The council will specifically have regard to the need to protect children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling in these premises. The council will expect applicants to satisfy the authority that there will be sufficient measures to ensure that under 18 year olds do not have access to the premises.
21.2 Where certain measures are not already addressed by the mandatory and default conditions and the Gambling Commission Codes of Practice or by the applicant, the council may consider licence conditions to address such issues, examples of which are provided at paragraph 16.16.

22. Licensed family entertainment centres (FECs)

22.1 Licensed family entertainment centres are those premises which usually provide a range of amusements such as computer games, penny pushers and may have a separate section set aside for adult only gaming machines with higher stakes and prizes. Licensed family entertainment centres will be able to make available unlimited category C and D machines where there is clear segregation in place so children do not access the areas where the category C machines are located.

22.2 Where category C or above machines are available in premises to which children are admitted then the council will ensure that:

- all such machines are located in an area of the premises separate from the remainder of the premises by a physical barrier which is effective to prevent access other than through a designated entrance. For this purpose a rope, floor markings or similar provision will not suffice and the council may insist on a permanent barrier of at least 1 meter high;
- only adults are admitted to the area where the machines (category C) are located;
- access to the area where the machines are located is supervised at all times;
- the area where the machines are located is arranged so that it can be observed by staff; and
- at the entrance to, and inside any such area there are prominently displayed notices indicating that access to the area is prohibited to persons under 18.

22.3 The council will specifically have regard to the need to protect children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling in these premises. The council will expect applicants to satisfy the authority that there will be sufficient measures to ensure that under 18 year olds do not have access to the adult only gaming machine areas.

22.4 The council will expect the applicant to show that there are policies and procedures in place to protect children from harm. Harm in this context is not limited to harm from gambling but includes wider child protection considerations.

22.5 The efficiency of such policies and procedures will each be considered on their merits, however, they may include:

- appropriate measures and training for staff as regards suspected truant children on the premises;
- measures and training covering how staff would deal with unsupervised very young children being on the premises;
- measures and training covering how staff would deal with children causing perceived problems on or around the premises;
the arrangements for supervision of premises either by staff or the use of CCTV.

22.6 Any CCTV system installed should both the interior and the entrance working to the latest Home Office and ACPO standards and to the satisfaction of Metropolitan Police and the local authority. The system must record images clearly and these recordings be retained for a minimum of 31 days. If the equipment is inoperative the police and local authority must be informed as soon as possible and immediate steps taken to make the system operative. Notices must be displayed at the entrances advising that CCTV is in operation.

22.7 Due to the nature of these premises, which are attractive to children, applicants who employ staff to supervise the premises should consult with the Independent Safeguarding Authority to determine if their staff need to be CRB checked.

22.8 The council will refer to the Commission’s website to familiarise itself with any conditions that apply to operating licences covering the way in which the area containing the category C machines should be delineated. The council will also make itself aware of the mandatory or default conditions and any Gambling Commission Codes of Practice on these premises licences.

23. Casinos
The London Borough of Haringey has not passed a resolution in relation to casinos, but it is noted that the Government has not awarded a casino licence to Haringey.

24. Bingo premises
There is no official definition for bingo in the Gambling Act 2005 however from a licensing point of view there is a category of premises licence specifically for bingo premises which is used by traditional commercial bingo halls for both cash and prize bingo. In addition this premises licence will authorise the provision of a limited number of gaming machines in line with the provisions of the Act.

24.1 The council is aware that it is important that if children are allowed to enter premises licensed for bingo that they do not participate in gambling, other than on category D machines. Where category C or above machines are available in premises to which children are admitted then the council will ensure that:

- all such machines are located in an area of the premises separate from the remainder of the premises by a physical barrier which is effective to prevent access other than through a designated entrance. For this purpose a rope, floor markings or similar provision will not suffice and the council may insist on a permanent barrier of at least one meter high;
- only adults are admitted to the area where the machines are located;
- access to the area where the machines are located is supervised at all times;
- the area where the machines are located is arranged so that it can be observed by staff;
- at the entrance to, and inside any such area there are prominently displayed notices indicating that access to the area is prohibited to persons under 18;
- children will not be admitted to bingo premises unless accompanied by an adult.
24.2 The Gambling Commission has provided Guidance for Licensing Authorities and Licence Conditions and Code of Practice which are applied to Operator’s Licences. The council will take this into consideration when determining licence applications for bingo premises.

24.3 Where certain measures are not already addressed by the mandatory/default conditions, the Gambling Commission Code of Practice or the applicant, the council may consider licence conditions to address such issues, examples of which are provided at paragraph 13.15.

25. **Betting premises**

Betting premises are premises such as bookmakers where various types of gambling are authorised to take place. The Act contains a single class of licence for betting premises however within this single class there are different types of premises which require licensing such as high street bookmakers, bookmakers located in self-contained facilities at race courses as well as the general betting premises licences that track operators will require.

25.1 **Betting machines**

The council is aware that Section 181 of the Act contains an express power for licensing authorities to restrict the number of betting machines, their nature and the circumstances in which they are made available by attaching a licence condition to a betting premises licence. When considering whether to impose a condition to restrict number of betting machines in particular premises, the council, amongst other things, will take into account the size of the premises, the number of counter positions available for person-to-person transactions, and the ability of staff to monitor the use of the machines.

25.2 Where an applicant for a betting premises licence intends to offer higher stake category B gaming machines (categories B2-B4) including any Fixed Odds Betting Terminals (FOBTs), then applicants should consider the control measures related to the protection of vulnerable persons, highlighted in section 13.

25.3 Where certain measures are not already addressed by the mandatory/default conditions, Gambling Commission Code of Practice or the applicant, the council may consider licence conditions to address such issues.

26. **Tracks**

Tracks are sites (including racecourses and dog tracks) where races or other sporting events take place. Betting is a major gambling activity on tracks, both in the form of pool betting (often known as the “totaliser” or “tote”), and also general betting, often known as “fixed-odds” betting. Multiple betting outlets are usually located on tracks such as ‘on-course’ betting operators who come onto the track just on race days to provide betting for the races taking place on that track. There can also be ‘off-course’ betting operators who may operate self-contained facilities at the tracks which offer customers the chance to bet on other events, not just those taking place on the track.

27.1 All tracks will require a primary ‘general betting premises licence’ that the track operator will hold. It should be noted that track operators do not require an operating licence from the Gambling Commission although they may apply for one. This is
because the various other gambling operators offering betting at the track will each hold an operating licence.

27.2 Tracks may also be subject to one or more premises licences, provided each licence relates to a specified area of the track. This may be preferable for any self-contained premises providing off-course betting facilities at the track. The council will however assess each individual case on its merits before deciding if this is necessary. Where possible the council will be happy for the track operator to decide if any particular off-course operators should apply for a separate premises licence.

27.3 If any off-course operators are permitted to provide betting facilities under the authorisation of the track operator’s premises licence, then it will be the responsibility of the premises licence holder to ensure the proper conduct of such betting within the premises boundary.

27.4 Gambling Commission guidance also indicates that it would be possible for other types of gambling premises to be located at a track under the authorisation of separate premises licences, e.g. a casino premises licence or adult gaming centre premises licence. If you require further guidance on this provision please contact the Licensing Team.

27.5 Children and persons will be permitted to enter track areas where facilities for betting are provided on days when dog-racing and/or horse racing takes place, although they are still prevented from entering areas where gaming machines and betting machines (other than category D machines) are provided.

27.6 The council will consider the impact upon the protection of children licensing objective and the need to ensure that entrances to each type of betting premises are distinct and that children are excluded from gambling areas where they are not permitted to enter.

28. Travelling fairs
Travelling fairs have traditionally been able to provide various types of low stake gambling without the need for a licence or permit provided that certain conditions are met and this provision continues in similar fashion under the new Act.

28.1 Travelling fairs have the right to provide an unlimited number of category D gaming machines and/or equal chance prize gaming (without the need for a permit) as long as the gambling amounts to no more than an ancillary amusement at the fair.

28.2 The council will consider whether any fairs which take up the above entitlement fall within the statutory definition of a travelling fair.

28.3 The council is aware that the 27 day statutory maximum for the land being used as a fair is per calendar year and that it applies to the piece of land on which the fairs are held, regardless of whether it is the same or different travelling fairs occupying the land. The council will work with its neighbouring authorities to ensure that land which crosses the council boundary is monitored so that the statutory limits are not exceeded.

29. Provisional statements
A provisional statement application is a process which allows a developer to examine the likelihood of whether a building which he expects to be constructed, to be altered or to acquire a right to occupy would be granted a premises licence. A provisional
statement is not a licence and merely gives the holder some form of guarantee that a
premises licence would be granted so the developer can judge whether a development
is worth taking forward in light of the need to obtain a premises licence. An applicant
may also apply for a provisional statement for premises which already hold a premises
licence (either for a different type of gambling or the same type).

29.1 In terms of representations about premises licence applications, following the grant of a
provisional statement, no further representations from responsible authorities or
interested parties can be taken into account unless they concern matters which could
not have been addressed at the provisional statement stage, or they reflect a change in
the applicant's circumstances. In addition, the council may refuse the premises licence
(or grant it on terms different to those attached to the provisional statement) only by
reference to matters:

a) which could not have been raised by objectors at the provisional licence stage; or
b) which in the authority's opinion reflect a change in the operator's circumstances.

29.2 When determining a provisional statement application the council will operate in
accordance with the Act and will not have regard to any issues related to planning
consent or building regulations, e.g. the likelihood that planning consent will be granted.

Part D - Permits, notices and lottery registrations.

30. Unlicensed family entertainment centre gaming machine permits (UFECs)
The term 'unlicensed family entertainment centre' is one defined in the Act and refers to a
premises which provides category D gaming machines along with various other
amusements such as computer games and penny pushers. The premises is 'unlicensed'
in that it does not require a premises licence but does require a permit to be able to
provide category D machines. It should not be confused with a 'licensed family
entertainment centre' which requires a premises licence because it contains both
category C and D gaming machines.

30.1 The council will expect the applicant to show that there are policies and procedures in
place to protect children from harm. Harm in this context is not limited to harm from
gambling but includes wider child protection considerations.

30.2 The efficiency of such policies and procedures will each be considered on their merits,
however, they may include:

- appropriate measures and training for staff as regards suspected truant children on the
premises;
• measures and training covering how staff would deal with unsupervised very young children being on the premises;
• measures and training covering how staff would deal with children causing perceived problems on or around the premises;
• the arrangements for supervision of premises either by staff or the use of CCTV.

30.3 Any CCTV system installed should both the interior and the entrance working to the latest Home Office and ACPO standards and to the satisfaction of The Metropolitan Police and the local authority. The system must record images clearly and these recordings be retained for a minimum of 31 days. If the equipment is in-operative the Police and Local Authority must be informed as soon as possible and immediate steps taken to make the system operative. Notices must be displayed at the entrances advising that CCTV is in operation.

30.4 Due to the nature of these premises, which are attractive to children, applicants who employ staff to supervise the premises should consult with the Independent Safeguarding Authority to determine if their staff need to be CRB checked.

30.6 The council will also expect, as per the Gambling Commission Guidance, that applicants demonstrate:

• a full understanding of the maximum stakes and prizes of the gambling that is permissible in unlicensed FECs;
• that the applicant has no relevant conviction (those that are set out in Schedule 7 of the Act), and
• that staff are trained to have a full understanding of the maximum stakes and prizes.

30.7 In line with the Act, while the council cannot attach conditions to this type of permit, the council can refuse applications if they are not satisfied that the issues raised in the Gambling Policy have been addressed through the application.

30.8 Applicants only need to address the “Gambling Policy” when making their initial applications and not at renewal time.

31 Gaming machine permits in premises licensed for the sale of alcohol
There is provision in the Act for premises licensed to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises, to automatically have two gaming machines, of categories C and/or D. The premises merely need to notify the council. The council can remove the automatic authorisation in respect of any particular premises if:

• provision of the machines is not reasonably consistent with the pursuit of the licensing objectives;
• gaming has taken place on the premises that breaches a condition of Section 282 of the Gambling Act (i.e. that written notice has been provided to the licensing authority, that a fee has been provided and that any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission about the location and operation of the machine has been complied with);
• the premises are mainly used for gaming; or
• an offence under the Gambling Act has been committed on the premises.

31.1 If a premises wishes to have more than two machines, then it needs to apply for a permit
and the council must consider that application based upon the licensing objectives, any guidance issued by the Gambling Commission issued under Section 25 of the Gambling Act 2005, and “such matters as they think relevant.” The council considers that “such matters” will be decided on a case by case basis but generally there will be regard to the need to protect children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling. The council will also expect the applicant to satisfy the authority that there will be sufficient measures to ensure that children and young people under the age of 18 do not have access to the adult only gaming machines.

31.2 All alcohol licensed premises with gaming machines must have regard to the need to protect children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling and provide sufficient measures to ensure that under 18 year olds do not use the adult only gaming machines.

31.3 Measures which may satisfy the council that persons under 18 years will be prevented from using the machines may include the machines being in close proximity to the bar, or in any other area where they are capable of being adequately supervised. Notices and signage may also help. As regards the protection of vulnerable persons, applicants may wish to consider the provision of information leaflets and or helpline numbers for organisations such as GamCare.

31.4 The council can decide to grant the permit with a smaller number of machines and/or a different category of machines than that applied for. Conditions other than these cannot be attached.

31.5 The holder of a permit must comply with any Code of Practice issued by the Gambling Commission about the location and operation of the machine(s).

31.6 It is recognised that some alcohol licensed premises may apply for a premises licence for their non-alcohol licensed areas. Any such application would need to be dealt with under the relevant provisions of the Act.

31.7 Alcohol licensed premises are able to provide some limited equal chance gaming. Licensees are referred to the advice provided by the Gambling Commission on the website.

32. **Prize gaming permits**

Section 288 defines gaming as prize gaming if the nature and size of the prize is not determined by the number of people playing or the amount paid for or raised by the gaming. The prizes will be determined by the operator before play commences. Prize gaming can often be seen at seaside resorts in amusement arcades where a form of bingo is offered and the prizes are displayed on the walls.

32.1 A prize gaming permit is a permit issued by the licensing authority to authorise the provision of facilities for gaming with prizes on specified premises.

32.2 The council will expect the applicant to show that there are policies and procedures in place to protect children from harm. Harm in this context is not limited to harm from gambling but includes wider child protection considerations.

32.3 The efficiency of such policies and procedures will each be considered on their merits, however, they may include:
• appropriate measures and training for staff as regards suspected truant children on the premises;
• measures and training covering how staff would deal with unsupervised very young children being on the premises;
• measures and training covering how staff would deal with children causing perceived problems on or around the premises.
• the arrangements for supervision of premises either by staff or the use of CCTV.

32.4 Any CCTV system installed should both the interior and the entrance working to the Home Office and ACPO standards and to the satisfaction of The Metropolitan Police and the local authority. The system must record images clearly and these recordings be retained for a minimum of 31 days. If the equipment is inoperative, the police and local authority must be informed as soon as possible and immediate steps taken to make the system operative. Notices must be displayed at the entrances advising that CCTV is in operation.

32.5 Due to the nature of these premises, which are attractive to children, applicants who employ staff to supervise the premises should consult with the Independent Safeguarding Authority to determine if their staff need to be CRB checked.

32.6 The council will also expect, as per the Gambling Commission Guidance, that applicants demonstrate:
• A full understanding of the maximum stakes and prizes of the gambling that is permissible;
• That the gaming offered is within the law.

32.7 In line with the Act, while the council cannot attach conditions to this type of permit, the council can refuse applications if they are not satisfied that the issues raised in the “Gambling Policy” have been addressed through the application.

32.8 There are conditions in the Gambling Act 2005 by which the permit holder must comply. The conditions in the Act are:
• the limits on participation fees, as set out in regulations, must be complied with;
• all chances to participate in the gaming must be allocated on the premises on which the gaming is taking place and on one day; the game must be played and completed on the day the chances are allocated; and the result of the game must be made public in the premises on the day that it is played;
• the prize for which the game is played must not exceed the amount set out in regulations (if a money prize), or the prescribed value (if non-monetary prize); and
• Participation in the gaming must not entitle the player to take part in any other gambling.

33. Club gaming and club machine permits
Members clubs and miners' welfare institutes may apply for a ‘club gaming permit’ or a ‘club machine permit’. The ‘club gaming permit’ will enable the premises to provide
gaming machines (three machines of categories B4, C or D), equal chance gaming. i.e. poker, bingo etc. A ‘club machine permit’ will enable the premises to provide gaming machines (three machines of categories B4, C or D). Commercial clubs may apply for a ‘club machine permit’ only.

33.1 To qualify for these special club permits a members club must have at least 25 members and be established and conducted “wholly or mainly” for purposes other than gaming. A members’ club must be permanent in nature, not established to make commercial profit, and controlled by its members equally. Examples include working men’s clubs, branches of the Royal British Legion and clubs with political affiliations.

33.2 Clubs must have regard to the protection of children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling. They must provide sufficient measures to ensure that under 18 year olds do not use the adult only gaming machines. These measures may include:

- the machines being in close proximity to the bar, or in any other area where they are capable of being adequately supervised;
- notices and signage;
- the provision of information leaflets / helpline numbers for organisations such as GamCare.

33.3 Before granting the permit the council will need to satisfy itself that the premises meets the requirements of a members’ club and that the majority of members are over 18.

33.4 The council may only refuse an application on the grounds that:

(a) the applicant does not fulfil the requirements for a members’ or commercial club or miners’ welfare institute and therefore is not entitled to receive the type of permit for which they have applied;
(b) the applicant’s premises are used wholly or mainly by children and/or young persons;
(c) an offence under the Act or a breach of a permit has been committed by the applicant while providing gaming facilities;
(d) a permit held by the applicant has been cancelled in the previous ten years; or
(e) an objection has been lodged by the Commission or the police.

33.5 There is also a ‘fast-track’ procedure available for premises which hold a club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003. Under the fast-track procedure there is no opportunity for objections to be made by the Commission or the police, and the ground upon which the council can refuse a permit is reduced. The grounds on which an application under the process may be refused are:

(a) that the club is established primarily for gaming,
(b) that in addition to the prescribed gaming, the applicant provides facilities for other gaming; or
(c) that a club gaming permit or club machine permit issued to the applicant in the last ten years has been cancelled.
34. **Temporary use notices**
Temporary use notices allow the use of premises on not more than 21 days in any 12 month period for gambling where there is no premises licence but where a gambling operator wishes to use the premises temporarily for providing facilities for gambling. Premises that might be useful for a temporary use notice would include hotels, conference centres and sporting venues.

34.1 Temporary Use Notices allow the use of premises for any form of equal chance gambling where those participating in the gaming are taking part in a competition which is intended to produce a single, overall winner.

34.2 Only persons or companies holding a relevant operating licence can apply for a temporary use notice to authorise the particular class of gambling permitted by their operating licence.

34.3 A temporary use notice must be lodged with the licensing authority not less than three months and one day before the day on which the gambling is due to take place. Detailed information about how to serve a temporary use notice will be available in a separate guidance note.

34.4 The Act makes a special reference, in the context of temporary use notices, to a “set of premises” to try and ensure that large premises which cannot reasonably be viewed as separate are not used for more temporary use notices than permitted under the Act. The council considers that the determination of what constitutes “a set of premises” will be a question of fact in the particular circumstances of each notice that is given. In considering whether a place falls within the definition of a “set of premises”, the council will look at, amongst other things, the ownership/occupation and control of the premises. The council will be ready to object to notices where it appears that their effect would be to permit regular gambling in a place that could be described as one set of premises.

35. **Occasional use notices (for tracks)**
There is a special provision in the Act which provides that where there is betting on a track on eight days or less in a calendar year, betting may be permitted by an occasional use notice without the need for a full premises licence. Occasional use notice is different to that for a temporary use notice. The application may be made in writing, to the council by the person responsible for the administration of the events on a track or by an occupier of the track.

35.1 The council has very little discretion as regards these notices aside from ensuring that the statutory limit of 8 days in a calendar year is not exceeded. The council will however consider the definition of a ‘track’ and whether the applicant is entitled to benefit from such notice.

36. **Small society lottery registrations**

36.1 A lottery generally refers to schemes under which prizes are distributed by chance among entrants who have given some form of value for their chance to take part.

36.2 The Act creates two principal classes of lotteries: Licensed lotteries and exempt lotteries. Licensed lotteries are large society lotteries and lotteries run for the benefit of local authorities. These will be regulated by the Gambling Commission. Within the class of
exempt lotteries there are four sub classes, one of which is small society lotteries.

36.3 A small society lottery is a lottery promoted on behalf of a non-commercial society as defined in the Act which also meets specific financial requirements set out in the Act. These will be administered by the council for small societies who have a principal office in Haringey and want to run such lottery.

36.4 A lottery is small if the total value of tickets put on sale in a single lottery is £20,000 or less and the aggregate value of the tickets put on sale in a calendar year is £250,000 or less.

36.5 To be ‘non-commercial’ a society must be established and conducted:

- for charitable purposes;
- for the purpose of enabling participation in, or supporting, sport, athletics or a cultural activity; or
- for any other non-commercial purpose other than that of private gain.

36.6 The other types of exempt lotteries are ‘incidental non-commercial lotteries’, ‘private lotteries’ and ‘customer lotteries’. If you require guidance on the different categories of lotteries please contact the council.

36.7 The National lottery is not licensed by the Gambling Act 2005 and continues to be regulated by the National Lottery Commission under the National Lottery Act 1993.

**Part E**

37. **Enforcement**

The council will work closely with the responsible authorities in accordance with a locally established joint enforcement protocol and will aim to promote the licensing objectives by targeting known high risk premises following government guidance around better regulation.

37.1 In carrying out its enforcement duties with regards to the inspection of premises; and the powers to institute criminal proceedings in respect of certain offences under the Act the council will endeavour to be:

- **proportionate**: regulators should only intervene when necessary: remedies should be appropriate to the risk posed, and costs identified and minimised;
- **accountable**: regulators must be able to justify decisions, and be subject to public scrutiny;
- **consistent**: rules and standards must be joined up and implemented fairly;
- **transparent**: regulators should be open, and keep regulations simple and user friendly; and
- **targeted**: regulation should be focused on the problem, and minimise side effects

37.2 The council will endeavour to avoid duplication with other regulatory regimes so far as possible.
37.3 Where there is a Primary Authority scheme in place, the council will seek guidance from the Primary Authority before taking any action involving test purchasing operations, unless these arise as a result of a complaint.

37.4 Further information, including an index of all Primary Authority arrangements can be found at https://primaryauthorityregister.info/par/index.php/home

37.5 The council will also adopt a risk-based inspection programme in line with government recommendations around better regulation and the principles of the Hampton Review.

37.6 The main enforcement and compliance role for the council in terms of the Gambling Act 2005 will be to ensure compliance with the premises licences and other permissions which it authorises. The Gambling Commission will be the enforcement body for the operator and personal licences. Concerns about the manufacture, supply or repair of gaming machines will not be dealt with by the council but will be notified to the Gambling Commission. In circumstances where the council believes a premises requires a premises licence for gambling activities and no such licence is in force, the council will alert the Gambling Commission.

37.7 The Gambling Commission have highlighted that local authorities in general are likely to receive very few, or no complaints about gambling. Unlike other regulated areas, such as alcohol, gambling is much less visible as a concern for residents. As a result, the Gambling Commission advises the Council to proactively conduct inspections, to build up the picture of whether a premises can establish true compliance, and can assess whether the necessary protections, especially for the young and vulnerable are in place and working effectively.

37.8 The Council’s Inspection programme requires all new licensed premises to be inspected shortly after the licence has been issued, and every premises should expect at least one inspection per year. Inspections of premises are also undertaken if complaints are received, if variation applications are received or there is some other intelligence that suggests an inspection is appropriate. Compliance will be checked in a daytime or evening inspection. Where a one-off event takes place under a Temporary Use Notice or Occasional Use Notice, the Council may also carry out inspections to ensure the Licensing Objectives are being promoted.

37.9 High-risk premises are those premises that have a history of complaints, a history of non-compliance and require greater attention. The Council will operate a lighter touch in respect of low-risk premises so that resources are more effectively targeted to problem premises. We will also target enforcement towards illegal gambling as it is potentially higher risk/harm due to the lack of regulation. The council will also keep itself informed of developments as regards the work of the Better Regulation Executive in its consideration of the regulatory functions of local authorities. The council’s enforcement/compliance protocols/written agreements will be available upon request.

38. Legislation, Policies and Strategies
In undertaking its licensing function under the Gambling Act 2005, the Council is also bound by other legislation, including:-

1. Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1988;


3. Health and Safety at Work Act 1974;
4. Environmental Protection Act 1990;
5. The Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003;
6. The Race Relations Act 1976 (as amended);

However, the policy is not intended to duplicate existing legislation and regulation regimes that already place obligations on employers and operators.

38.1 National Strategies
The Council will also seek to discharge its responsibilities identified by other Government Strategies, in so far as they impact on the objectives of the licensing function.

38.2 Local Strategies and Policies
Where appropriate, the Council will consider applications with reference to other adopted local strategies and policies, including the following:
1. Working Together with Communities
2. The Haringey Safer Communities Strategy

38.3 Integrating Strategies
There are many stakeholders involved in the Leisure industry and many are involved in the promotion of the licensing objectives. A number of stakeholders’ plans and strategies deal with matters related to the licensing function. Where this is the case, the Council will aim, as far as possible, to co-ordinate them.
The Council considers that where appropriate and in so far as is consistent with the Gambling Act, Guidance and Codes of Practice issued under sections 24 and 25 of the Gambling Act 2005, it is desirable that this Policy complements other relevant plans and strategies aimed at the management of town centres and the night-time economy.

38.4 Relevant plans and strategies include:-
Crime and Disorder Strategy – The Council will fulfil its duty under section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to do all it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in the Borough. As far as possible, licensing decisions will aim to contribute to the targets set in the Crime and Disorder Strategy and conditions attached to licences and certificates will reflect local crime prevention strategies.

38.5 Safer Communities Strategy
The Community Safety Strategy is committed to tackling the key areas of crime and building prevention initiatives into neighbourhoods. The licensing authority will support the work of the Safer Communities Strategy within the scope of the licensing objectives under the Act
- Haringey Council – A Community Plan – As far as possible, any licensing decisions will be in line with the aspirations of this community plan.
- Local Transport Plan – the Council aims to work with the local transport authority and will consider ways in which the public can be dispersed from licensed premises and events so as to avoid disturbance, crime and disorder. The Police will be encouraged to report on matters related to the swift and safe dispersal of people from licensed premises.
Racial Equality – The Council is required under race relations legislation to have due regard to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination and to promote equality of opportunity and good relations between persons of different racial groups. The impact on these issues of the Gambling Policy will be monitored and amendments will be made as necessary.

Domestic Violence Strategy – The Council will ensure consultation to ensure that any correlation between gambling and domestic violence can be detected at the earliest opportunity.

Children and Young Persons Strategy – The Council will have regard to the impact on this strategy and the criteria for safeguarding children from becoming addicted.

Anti-Poverty Strategy – As far as possible, any licensing decisions will have regard to this strategy. It will support the work of the Anti Poverty Strategy as they are developed within the scope of the licensing objectives under the Act.

Proper integration will be assured by the Licensing Authority’s Licensing Committee providing reports, when appropriate, to its Planning Committee on the situation regarding licensed premises in the area, including the general impact of gambling related crime and disorder, to enable the Planning Committee to have regard to such matters when taking its decisions.

The Council will ensure that the Licensing Committee receives reports, when appropriate, on the needs of the local tourist economy to ensure that these are reflected in their considerations.

Economic Strategies – The Council will ensure that the Licensing Committee is appraised of the employment situation in the area and the need for new investment and employment where appropriate.

Enforcement Policy – All licensing enforcement will be conducted in accordance with the Enforcement Concordat, and the Haringey Enforcement Policy.

These links to other corporate strategies will be formulated in detail as a result of the consultation process.

39. Decision Making
Committee Terms of Reference
A Licensing Sub-Committee of Councillors will sit to hear applications where representations have been received from interested parties and responsible authorities. Ward Councillors will not sit on a Sub-Committee involving an application within their ward.

39.1 The Licensing Committee
The Licensing Committee will also sit to determine general licensing matters that have been delegated to it by the full Council that are not associated with the Gambling Act 2005. Where a Councillor who is a member of the Licensing Committee is making or has
made representations regarding a licence on behalf of an interested party, in the interests of good governance they will disqualify themselves from any involvement in the decision making process affecting the licence in question.

39.2 The Licensing Sub-Committee will also refer to the Licensing Committee any matter it is unable to deal with because of the number of its members who are unable to take part in the consideration or discussion of any matter or vote on any question with respect to it. The Licensing Committee will refer to the Full Council any matter it is unable to deal with because of the number of its members who are unable to take part in the consideration or discussion of any matter or vote on any question with respect to it.

39.3 Every determination of a licensing decision by the Licensing Committee or a Licensing Sub-Committee shall be accompanied by clear, cogent reasons for the decision. The decision and the reasons for that decision will be sent to the applicant and those who have made relevant representations as soon as practicable. A summary of the decision shall also be posted on the Council’s website as soon as possible after the decision has been confirmed, where it will form part of the statutory licensing register required to be kept by the Council.

39.6 The Council’s Licensing Officers will deal with all other licensing applications where either no representations have been received, or where representations are irrelevant, frivolous or vexatious will be made by Council Officers, who will make the decisions on whether representations or applications for licence reviews should be referred to the Licensing Committee or Sub-Committee. Where representations are rejected, the person making that representation will be given written reasons as to why that is the case. There is no right of appeal against a determination that representations are not admissible.

39.7 Allocation of Decision Making Responsibilities
The Council will be involved in a wide range of licensing decisions and functions and has established a Licensing Committee to administer them. Appreciating the need to provide a speedy, efficient and cost-effective service to all parties involved in the licensing process, the Committee has delegated certain decisions and functions and has established a Sub-Committee to deal with them. Many of the decisions and functions will be purely administrative in nature and the grant of non-contentious applications, including for example those licences and permits where no representations have been made, will be delegated to Council Officers.

The table shown at Appendix A sets out the agreed delegation of decisions and functions to Licensing Committee, Sub-Committee and Officers. This form of delegation is without prejudice to Officers referring an application to a Sub-Committee or Full Committee if considered appropriate in the circumstances of any particular case.

40 Reviews

40.1 A review is a process defined in the legislation which ultimately leads to a licence being reassessed by the Licensing Committee with the possibility that the licence may be revoked, suspended or that conditions may amended or new conditions added.

40.2 Requests for a review of a premises licence can be made by interested parties or responsible authorities; however, it is for the council to decide whether the review is to be carried-out. This will be on the basis of whether the request for the review is:
   i) in accordance with any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission
   ii) in accordance with any relevant guidance issued by the Gambling Commission
iii) reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives and
iv) in accordance with this authority's Gambling Act 2005 – Statement of Licensing Policy.

In addition the council may also reject the application on the grounds that the request is frivolous, vexatious, will certainly not cause this authority to wish to alter, revoke or suspend the licence, or is substantially the same as previous representations or requests for review.

40.3 The council can also initiate a review of a licence on the basis of any reason which it thinks is appropriate. Once a valid application for a review has been received by the licensing authority, representations can be made by responsible authorities and interested parties during a 28 day period. This period begins 7 days after the application was received by the licensing authority, who will publish notice of the application within 7 days of receipt.

40.4 The licensing authority must carry out the review as soon as possible after the 28 day period for making representation has passed.

40.5 The purpose of the review will be to determine whether the licensing authority should take any action in relation to the licence. If action is justified, the options open to the licensing authority are:-
   (a) add, remove or amend a licence condition imposed by the licensing authority;
   (b) exclude a default condition imposed by the Secretary of State (e.g. opening hours) or remove or amend such an exclusion;
   (c) suspend the premises licence for a period not exceeding three months; and
   (d) revoke the premises licence.

40.6 In determining what action, if any, should be taken following a review, the licensing authority must have regard to the principles set out in section 153 of the Act, as well as any relevant representations.

40.7 In particular, the licensing authority may also initiate a review of a premises licence on the grounds that a premises licence holder has not provided facilities for gambling at the premises. This is to prevent people from applying for licences in a speculative manner without intending to use them.

40.8 Once the review has been completed, the licensing authority must, as soon as possible, notify its decision to:
   - the licence holder
   - the applicant for review (if any)
   - the Commission
   - any person who made representations
   - the chief officer of police or chief constable; and
   - Her Majesty's Commissioners for Revenue and Customs

41. Diversity and Equality
Subject to the general requirements of the Act, the Licensing Authority will promote equality of opportunity. In such respects, nothing within this statement of licensing principles shall undermine the right of any individual to apply for any of the licences
and/or authorisations provided under the terms of the Act. The Council is aware that some applications may have greater impact on groups, organisations or associations in respect of their race, gender, age, disability, sexuality or religious beliefs. With a view to eliminating unlawful discrimination, applicants will be expected (where appropriate) to address these concerns. Where applications made by these groups or organisations representing them highlight special needs or customs that may affect their application, the Council, in recognising its duty to promote good relations between persons of different groups, will give consideration to supporting those needs or customs whilst seeking to promote the three licensing objectives.

42. Human Rights
The Human Rights Act 1998 incorporates the European Convention on Human Rights and makes it unlawful for a local authority to act in a way that is incompatible with a Convention Right. The Council will have particular regard to its rights and responsibilities under the Human Rights Act 1998 when determining applications, considering enforcement and reviewing this policy.

42.1 The Council will have particular regard to:

- Article 6 – that in determination of civil rights everyone is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial tribunal established by law;
- Article 8 – that everyone has the right to respect for his home and private life (removal or restriction of a licence may effect a persons private life); and
- Article 1 of the First Protocol – that every person is entitled to peaceful enjoyment of his or her possessions (a licence is considered a possession in law);
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Definitions

NOTE: In this Policy, the following definitions are included to provide an explanation to certain terms included in the Act and, therefore, in the Statement of Gambling Policy. In some cases, they are an abbreviation of what is stated in the Gambling Act 2005 or an interpretation of those terms. For a full definition of the terms used, the reader must refer to the Gambling Act 2005.

‘The Council’ means London Borough of Haringey, acting as the Licensing Authority as defined by the Gambling Act 2005.


‘The Licensing Authority’ the authority in whose area the premises is wholly/partly situated. The Licensing Authority (as in the issuing authority) is also a responsible authority.

‘The Gambling Commission’ a body set up by the Government as the unified regulator for gambling, replacing the Gaming Board.

‘Responsible Authority’ means a public body that must be notified of certain applications for premises licences and permits, and are entitled to make representations on any of the licensing objectives.

‘Children’ means individuals who are less than 16 years old.

‘Young person’ means individuals who are aged less than 18 years old and 16 years and over.

‘Mandatory Conditions’ means a specified condition provided by regulations to be attached to premises licences.

‘Default Conditions’ means a specified condition provided for by regulations to be attached to a licence unless excluded by the Council.

‘Premises’ means any place, including a vessel or moveable structure.

‘LCCP’ Licensing Conditions Code of Practice issued by the Gambling Commission