

TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

<u>DATE OF DECISION</u>	Monday, 22 November 2021	<u>DECISION MAKER</u>
<u>DECISION REFERENCE</u>	E/22.11.21/8	Executive (Councillors A. Western, Adshead, Freeman, Harding, Patel, Ross, Slater and Whitham.)

RECORD OF THE DECISION

GAMBLING ACT 2005 - STATEMENT OF GAMBLING PRINCIPLES 2022-2025

(1) That the feedback from the recent public and trade consultation on the proposed Statement of Gambling Principles be noted.

(2) That Council be recommended to adopt the Statement of Gambling Principles 2022-2025 as attached at Appendix 3 to the report.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The Council is legally required to prepare, consult on and publish a statement of principles that it proposes to apply in exercising its functions under the Gambling Act, applicable to a three year period. The Statement of Principles proposed reflects the common approach to be taken across all 10 Greater Manchester Authorities to the processing of applications, giving clear guidance on what factors will be taken into consideration when making decisions. One of the aims of the policy is to prevent and reduce the negative impacts of gambling on individuals, families and communities.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

For the Council not to approve and publish a Statement of Gambling Principles. The consequences of this course of action would be that the Council would not be complying with the requirement of the Gambling Act 2005, and the Council would not be able to effectively carry out any function in respect of applications made under the Act.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

None.

Scrutiny Call in Deadline

Not applicable. This is a recommendation to Council, as the substantive decision-maker, and so call-in is not appropriate.

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Wednesday, 24 November 2021

RECORDED BY:

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