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Community Impact Assessment

It is intended that you complete this form if you have identified a high negative impact to our communities and employees.

Sections 1 & 2 should be completed early in policy development and before any consultation/engagement activity takes place

Sections 3 & 4 should be completed before policy approval.

You will find the information from this assessment useful for the Equality Implications section of any report you are completing.

Make use of the supporting guidance – Community Impact Assessment

Section 1 – Overview

1. What is the title of the policy?

A Statutory review of the Council's Statement of Licensing Principles for the Gambling Act 2005

2. What are the objectives of the policy? For example, what are we aiming to achieve? Who does it benefit? Please provide a brief description

3.

The objective is to consider and consult with partners, the community and the gambling trade on the Council's Statement of Licensing Principles.

The Gambling Act 2005 contains three key licensing objectives which are central to the regulatory regime. The Gambling Commission, the Licensing Authority and all applicants should positively promote these objectives. The Objectives are :

Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being 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.

The purpose of the Statement of Licensing Principles is to ensure that the licensing objectives as defined under the Gambling Act 2005 are satisfied in all premises where gambling of any form takes place.

The Policy includes instruction and guidance on how the Council will administer applications and also how applicants should expect to promote the three licensing objectives.

The Licensing Authority is obliged to publish a Statement of Licensing Principles, formally agreed by Full Council and review it every three years

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4. Who does this policy affect? (Delete as appropriate)

- Customers/service-users
- Partners
- Gambling businesses

5. What period does the policy cover? (start date & end/review date)

31st January 2013 to 30th January 2016

6. Your contact details:

Name of person completing impact assessment and their post	Suzanne Fisher Public Protection Team Leader
Telephone	01952 383261
Date started	23 rd October 2012
Other officers/Stakeholders involved	

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Section 2 – Impact Assessment

1. Will this policy have a significant impact on any of the following groups of people with regard to the General Equality Duty?

Positive and negative impacts should be assessed with regard to the General Equality Duty;

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation
- advance equality of opportunity
- foster good relations between different groups

Please mark all boxes indicating whether an impact has occurred, this could be **positive** or **negative**. Mark **None** if there is no impact. Help boxes are available to assist.

- People of different ages
[Helpbox - Age](#)
- People with ill health or people with a disability
[Helpbox - Disability](#)
- People of different gender
[Helpbox - Gender \(Sex\)](#)
- People who are transgender
[Helpbox - Transgender](#)
- Different racial groups
[Helpbox - Race](#)
- People with different religion or beliefs
[Helpbox - Religion or Beliefs](#)
- People of different sexual orientation
[Helpbox - Sexual Orientation](#)
- Women who are pregnant or breast-feeding
[Helpbox -Pregnancy and Maternity](#)
- People that are married or in a civil partnership
[Helpbox - Marriage or Civil Partnership](#)
- People affected by deprivation
[Helpbox - people affected by deprivation](#)

Impact (X)		
Positive	Negative	None
X		
X		
		X
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		X
		X
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X		

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2. What is the expected impact?

People of different ages

This licensing authority has noted the Gambling Commission's Guidance that this objective means preventing children from taking part in gambling (as well as restriction of advertising so that gambling products are not aimed at or are, particularly attractive to children). The licensing authority will therefore consider, as suggested in the Gambling Commission's Guidance, 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.

People with ill health or people with a disability and

People affected by deprivation

In the policy, the Licensing Authority notes that as regards the term "vulnerable persons" the Gambling Commission does not seek to offer a definition but states that "it will for regulatory purposes assume that this group includes people who gamble more than they want to; people who gambling beyond their means; and people who may not be able to make informed or balanced decisions about gambling due to a mental impairment, alcohol or drugs." This licensing authority will consider this licensing objective on a case by case basis.

3. What engagement and consultation have you already carried out?

Holders of existing licences, registered clubs and those who represent businesses, residents and community groups in the Borough and their representatives have been consulted on this review of policy. A full list of those consulted as part of the review of the Statement of Principles is listed at **Appendix A**

What the consultation/engagement told you?

The revised Statement of Licensing Policy has taken account of representations made by the consultees.

A full report including feedback from the consultation will be put before a public meeting of the Council's Licensing Committee on 20th November 2012.

4. Please give brief details of any further engagement/consultation you plan to carry out with any of the above groups, particularly where you feel you don't have sufficient information.

A further consultation and review of this policy will be carried out in 2015.

You are at the end of Section 2 - have you completed all questions in this section?

Please ensure all questions are answered and then send your information to;
Equalityanddiversity@telford.gov.uk

You can ask questions or for any support by contacting 01952 382104 or e-mail
equalityanddiversity@telford.gov.uk

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The Equality and Diversity Team will help you address/respond to any issues in
Section 3 – Mitigating Actions

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1. For each significant **negative** impact identified in Section 2 (Questions 3 & 4), what action have you taken, or will you be taking, to reduce/manage these impacts?

Please bring forward any **negative** impacts identified earlier in the form and explain what action you will take to mitigate against them (The earlier help boxes include help on mitigating actions).

2. For each significant **positive** impact you identified in Section 2 (Questions 3 & 4) what action have you taken, or will you be taking, to maximise the opportunity?

Where the Licensing Authority receives representations to applications for licences under the Gambling Act that, these representations will be put before the Licensing Sub-Committee for consideration. Applicants and those making representations have a right to address the Committee. Members of the Licensing Sub-committee, when making a decision, must have regard to the Licensing Objectives and the Council's Statement of Licensing Principles.

In the event of premises giving rise for concern, interested parties or their representatives, are able to apply for a review of a licence, at any time, on the grounds that their concerns relate specifically to the licensing objectives

Remember to integrate any actions you have identified in to your service/team plans.

3. The policy contribute to the following aims of the General Equality Duty;
 - eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation
 - advance equality of opportunity
 - foster good relations between different groups

Section 4 – Review and Monitoring

1. From what date will this policy be implemented?

31st January 2013

2. How will the actual impact of the policy be monitored and reviewed?

Use SMART action planning techniques to describe the processes/forums by which the impacts will be monitored and evaluated.

Ensure that appropriate confirmation has been given by your line manager.

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Line Manager/Head of Service Agreement

Community Impact Assessments will be published online and available on request. This will include the subject document, equality analysis, data sources and consultation evidence.

Please make sure that your Line Manager/Head of Service has been made aware of the content of the impact assessment and that they agree with it.

Arrange for your Line Manager/Head of Service to e-mail confirmation of agreement to; equalityanddiversity@telford.gov.uk

The Equality and Diversity team will create a summary for ease of access, please make sure that you forward any relevant documentation you have referred to with the e-mail, or a link to the appropriate web page.

Should you have any questions, or

Thank you conducting this Community Impact Assessment, should you have any questions please contact 01952 382104 or e-mail equalityanddiversity@telford.gov.uk