

**‘STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES’ IN ACCORDANCE
WITH SECTION 349 – GAMBLING ACT 2005.****Report By: Head of Environmental Health and Trading
Standards****Wards Affected**

County-wide

Purpose

1. Council is asked to consider the attached Statement of Principles under the Gambling Act 2005.

Law

2. Section 349 – Gambling Act 2005 requires that a Licensing Authority shall prepare a Statement of Principles that they propose to apply in exercising their functions under the Act. The Statement of Principles has to be reviewed at least every three years.
3. Section 154 automatically delegates to the Licensing Committee some of the functions under Part 8 of the Act, with the certain exceptions, one of these being the Statement of Principles required to be issued under the act.

History

4. The Statement of Principles (Appendix 1) was presented to the Council's Regulatory Committee on 28th November, 2006 when it was approved.

Options

5. There are three options available to the Council:
 - a) To approve the Statement of Principles as presented.
 - b) To refuse to approve the Statement of Principles thereby requiring further consultation with both internal and external bodies, prior to a further Statement of Principles being presented to Council.
 - c) To reach some other decision.

Recommendation**That the Statement of Principles be approved.**