

Brighton and Hove City Council

Council

Agenda Item 44

Subject: **Gambling Policy Review 2025-2027**

Date of Meeting: **24 October 2024**

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Wards Affected: **All Wards**

For general release

Action Required of Council:

1. That the report, recommendations and Minutes Extract of the Licensing Committee held on 10 October 2024 be noted.
2. That Council agree to adopt the Statement of Gambling Policy 2025 – 2027 as set out in the Appendices.

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BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE

3.00pm 10 October 2024

MINUTES

Present: Councillors McGregor (Chair), Cattell (Deputy Chair), Davis, Fowler, Gauge, Mackey, Nann, O'Quinn, Pickett, Sheard, Thomson and Guilmant (Substitute)

Apologies: Councillors Lyons

PART ONE

- 16.1 The Regulatory Services Manager introduced the report to the committee.
- 16.2 Councillor Pickett was informed that:
- Premises Licensing was going down year-on-year and online gambling was being reviewed.
- 16.3 Councillor Guilmant was informed that:
- There were no details of what the government was reviewing, however, the gambling commission was looking at the ratio of machines per premises and the need for risk assessments.
- 16.4 Councillor Davis was informed that:
- The band width of charging rates came into force in 2005.
- 16.5 Councillor Sheard was informed that:
- Under section E: Enforcement, that the best practice would be taken from a primary authority, however, there was no primary authority in Brighton and Hove. Best practice was encouraged.
- 16.6 The Chair invited the committee to vote.
- Vote
- 16.7 The committee agreed the recommendations unanimously.
- 16.8 **RESOLVED:**
- 2.1 That members agree to refer the final version of the Statement of Gambling Policy 2025 - 2027 to Full Council for adoption. (Appendix 1)
- 2.2 That the final Statement of Gambling Policy is presented to Full Council.