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Number	Consultation Response	Officer Comment
1	<p>In view of the evidence of harm to our society and its association with other damaging behaviours, both to individuals and society, we should not permit ANY additional gambling without our district. Gambling is solely permitted for the personal gain of a few people at the expense of so many others. It is so harmful in so many ways. Let's work to make our society better, step by step, NOT worse</p>	Noted
2	<p>Gambling sponsorship should be completely banned. Online gambling should be completely banned. Betting shops should be few and far between.</p>	Outside the scope of a local Gambling Policy
3	<p><u>Consultation on the review and update of the Rushcliffe Borough Council Gambling Policy (Statement of Licensing Principles)</u></p> <p>We would like to thank the Council for the opportunity to review this document. As was stated in Labour’s 2024 general election manifesto, the government is “committed to reducing gambling-related harm” and it is important that national and central government work together to this end.</p> <p>This consultation is an integral part of regularly reviewing Rushcliffe Borough Council’s role as a statutory Licensing Authority, and we hope that the consultation process will ultimately strengthen delivery of the policy’s proposed aims.</p> <p>**</p> <p>2:10</p> <p>It is noted that in this section at present, there is no reference to information exchange with third parties such as a constable or police force, an enforcement officer, another licensing authority or His Majesty’s Commissioners of Customs and Excise. Other authorities have clarified that information exchange may take place with the</p>	<p>2:10</p> <p>We have no objection to the insertion of this comment in 2:10 if this aids clarity in legally sharing information with “ a constable or police force, an enforcement officer, another licensing authority or His Majesty’s Commissioners of Customs and Excise”. But this comment repeats what is stated in legislation which officers are</p>

<p>stated.</p> <p>We also note that the text in the current policy refers to a <u>Corporate Equality Scheme</u>. This is not the same term as <u>Equalities Scheme</u> which is used on the current Council website. We suggest that the text is updated accordingly.</p> <p>**</p> <p>5:12</p> <p>To fulfil the licensing objective of <i>“Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling”</i>, we believe it is important that children are protected from targeted advertising. The below may, therefore, be a helpful addition to the “Protection of children and other vulnerable persons” section of the policy (p.19 onwards):</p> <p><i>“The Authority will seek to limit the advertising for premises so that gambling products are not aimed at children or advertised in such a way that makes them particularly attractive to children.”</i></p> <p>**</p> <p>5.13</p> <p>Building on the above, to further protect children and other vulnerable persons from gambling, section 5.13 could be expanded to include further examples of safeguards. For example:</p> <p>CCTV Clear notices / signage Clear policies that outline the steps to be taken to protect children</p>	<p>5:12</p> <p>The policy relates to premises regulated by this authority and not online gambling so can only relate to advertising in the place licenced. The current policy is clear that gambling is adult only and gambling should not be aimed at children and this is clear in guidance, however officers have no objection to the inclusion of this statement for clarity if required. see Young people in marketing material (gamblingcommission.gov.uk) which we will <u>have regard to.</u></p> <p>5:13</p> <p>The current list is of few examples, the list is not intended to be exhaustive to do so would limit measures. If the committee feels further examples are needed to be added this can be done. But superfluously adding more will just increase the policy with little purpose.</p>
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<p>from harm Proof of age schemes Provision of information leaflets / helpline numbers for organisations such as GamCare Self-barring schemes Specified / restricted opening hours</p> <p>**</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to this consultation. We hope that these contributions help to strengthen the document and, as a result, help to fulfil the core objectives outlined as part of the Gambling Act 2005:</p> <p><i>“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; and Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.”</i></p> <p>27 August 2024</p>	
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